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TREES CONTINUE TO DIE BECAUSE OF THE DROUGHT AND THE BARK BEETLE

Since the Last Newsletter was published last October, many more trees have been affected by the Drought and the "Bark Beetle" and will need to be removed. Within our Ridgeline Homes property alone, we are looking at approximately 100 additional trees.

As we mentioned in the last Newsletter, we DID NOT budget for a disaster of this nature in Ridgeline Homes.

No one anticipated that the number of trees affected would be this great, and they will continue to die for the next several years.

Larry Sisk and Cindy Davis worked very hard to help us get a Grant to cover the cost of removing our dead or dying trees during the coming year. Unfortunately we did not qualify for the grant due to improper information that they were given on our Association status. They will try and reapply next year hopefully rectifying this situation. We are now faced with having to decide which dead or dying trees need to be removed right away and which trees can wait until next year for removal after being affected by these "Bark Beetles". We were informed by the US Forestry Service that it could take 2-5 years for a dead tree to fall.

Your Board of Directors has been looking into our budget to try and find ways to help with the future cost of this tree removal project and welcome any ideas that you as homeowners have to help with this situation. This will be an item on our agenda at the January 14th, 2017 Homeowners Meeting at the North Shore Estates Clubhouse at 9:00 am, feel free to attend.

There will be some challenges ahead in 2017 but we look forward to working with all the Board of Directors and the Homeowners to find solutions to these challenges.

TRASH RECYCLING

We started recycling our trash at Ridgeline Homes a few months ago. There is a possibility of increase fees for garbage pickup due to people not recycling correctly (not separating their garbage and putting the recycled trash in the correct trash bin).

We have 6 Trash Bins for your convenience. **Trash Bin #3** (located across from the "Pet Area" at the corner of Saddleback Road and Big Pine Trail) is for **recycled trash only**.

Let's take a little extra time making sure we put our trash into the correct Trash Bins.

PET POLICY REMINDERS

A REMINDER: THAT ALL DOGS MUST BE ON A LEASH WHEN BEING WALKED!

A REMINDER: TO PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET!!

A REMINDER: DO NOT LEAVE DOGS UNATTENDED OUTSIDE WHILE YOU'RE AWAY!!!

(A copy of our "PET POLICY" is available online on our website)

GROUNDS MAINTAINANCE

If you have any concerns pertaining to the upkeep of the "Common Areas" within Ridgeline Homes, please address these concerns to our Grounds Committee Director, Frank Gaspar. If Frank is not available, call the Property Manager. DO NOT discuss your concerns with the Grounds Crew personnel directly.

SNOW REMOVAL

As in the past, our Grounds Crew will be handling the snow removal on our roads throughout Ridgeline. They will try to get our roads passable in a timely manner.

PARKING IS ONLY PERMITTED IN DESIGNATED SPACES DURING WINTER MONTHS.

FIREPLACE ASHES

Be sure to put all Fireplace ashes in the Barrels provided by Trash Dumpsters.

HOMEOWNER MEETINGS

Homeowner Meetings are held the second Saturday of each month. The meetings are held at the North Shore Estates Clubhouse.

Our January meeting will be Saturday, January 14th, our February meeting will be Saturday, February 11th and our March meeting will be Saturday, March 11th. The meetings for the Homeowners and Renters begins at 9:00AM. The Board of Directors meet between 8:00AM and 9:00AM to handle normal business.

The Agenda for each meeting will be posted on our Website and at the Bulletin Board at least 4 days prior to the meeting.

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