## FREE Home Hardening Site Inspection - protect your home from fire and support our annual Firewise Recognition!

Mariposa County is launching a program to encourage "home hardening" in areas that are at high risk of wildlife - such as Yosemite West. By participating in this program, you can get a free on-site assessment as well as potential assistance installing preventative measures. YWPHI encourages you to apply. Supporting and participating in this program will help Yosemite West maintain our annual Firewise recognition and any associated insurance discounts.

## What is home hardening?

Home hardening involves making improvements to your home that make it less likely to ignite during a wildfire. These improvements can be made to any home, but are particularly important for older homes that may be built from less fire-resistant materials. Other communities have lost homes to embers, which can travel miles from a fire, and the best prevention is hardening your home against wildfire now.

## How does the program work?

Mariposa County Resource Conservation District (MCRCD) will be providing free site assessments, which will include a list of recommended hardening measures. Homeowners can then use the recommendations to take their own actions. When feasible, MCRCD will assist with installation of ember screens for attic and crawlspace vents or vegetation clearance from building foundations.

## How can I apply?

To sign up, please send an email titled Home Hardening with your name, address, and phone number to MariposaCountyRCD@gmail.com. They will send you a brief application and a right of entry form and work with you to schedule a site assessment. If you have any questions about the program, please direct them to MariposaCountyRCD@gmail.com.