High Desert Estates

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Hello from your Board Chair,

Good news! After lengthy efforts during the last few months: the **HDE office trailer** was safely moved to its new location at **5980 SE Jerry Drive**. It is no longer at risk of large daily fines from the Public Utilities Commission. We can proudly say that all who enter the office at the new location will be comfortable and safe after our office is set up and furniture moved in. To celebrate, we plan on having an open **Office Party** and will let everyone know the date when we get closer to the finishing line.

Sadly, we have lost some members of our community. We offer our sincere sympathies to the families.

The Board would appreciate hearing from the members of our community who received and have not yet replied to **backflow letters**. This is a State requirement and we do need to know if you have removed the item that requires you to have a back-flow, or if you are installing a backflow. Thank you!

About **phone numbers** for our HDE home owners – please review your water bill and insure your correct phone number is listed. If it is incorrect, please write the correct number on your payment, or email us, as soon as possible. This is necessary so Board members can reach you at a valid phone # in emergent situations. Thank you!

For all our new members, the HOA has a **breakfast** the **first Wednesday** of each month at Meadow Lakes Golf Course at 300 SW Meadow Lakes Dr. (you need to be there between 8:30 and 9:00 a.m. to place your order).

ARE YOU FIRE - READY?

Some wisdom from "Firewise USA", it is never too early to prepare!

- 1. **Immediate Zone** of fire danger: **0 to 5 feet** to protect your home through fuel reduction!
 - Fire-resistant roofs & gutters, landscaping & trees; major fuel breaks; easy access;
- 2. Intermediate Zone: 5 to 30 feet from home structures to prevent "fire jumping;"
 - Consider steepness of slope, direction of wind, access to water source; location of debris;
- 3. **Extended Zone**: **30 to 100 feet** from home structures to interrupt path of fire, keep flames small & on the ground;
 - Remove debris and small trees;

Your HDE Board Chair Diane Dendy and Treasurer Michael Berger recently attended a presentation on fire preparedness and becoming a certified Firewise community. They strongly recommend that we all seriously consider fire prevention around our homes and in our neighborhood! We would all benefit if we take the time to become a certified Firewise community. The National Fire Prevention Association website at Firewise.org is a major source for information on protecting your home in the event of a wildfire! For feedback, questions or if you are interested in helping gain Firewise certification, please contact Diane or Mike at the HOA email address