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Wildfire Preparedness Seminar

The drought that began in fall of 2010 is extending into its second year. Although we have received some much needed rain over the past month, the return of La Niña suggests that widespread relief will not come soon and drought conditions are forecasted to continue through the winter. The uncertainty of how long these conditions will last requires us to keep wildfire prevention and preparedness at the forefront.

Approximately 90% of wildfires in Texas are caused by people. Seemingly harmless activities like outdoor grilling or welding can accidentally start a dangerous wildfire. There are many ways to reduce the risk of wildfires and preparations can be made to help you protect your family and property in the event of a wildfire.

In a recent meeting with UGRA Board Directors, Senator Fraser stressed the importance of local entities cooperating to ensure that citizens are prepared for wildfires to the fullest extent possible. To this end, UGRA has partnered with Texas AgriLife Extension, Kerr County, and Headwaters GCD to bring a Wildfire Preparedness Seminar to our area.

We invite you to mark your calendars and plan to join us on Monday, January 30th in the UGRA lecture hall for a two hour program to discuss current drought status, legislative forecast, wildfire prevention and preparedness, and local burning regulations. Registration for this free program will begin at 5:00 PM and the seminar will commence at 5:30 PM. Speakers will include Representative Harvey Hilderbran, meteorologist Cary Burgess, state and local experts from UGRA, Headwaters GCD, Kerr County, and the Texas Forest Service. The speakers will also be available for a question and answer session at the end of the forum.

For more information on the Wildfire Preparedness Seminar, please contact UGRA (830)-896-5445.

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