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Wyoming State Forestry Division Launches Wildfire Risk Assessment Portal

Cheyenne, WY- The Wyoming State Forestry Division has released an online portal to raise awareness about the potential risks and threats of wildfire throughout the state of Wyoming. The Wyoming Wildfire Risk Assessment Portal, or WYWRAP, is targeted towards communities, fire departments, emergency planners, and land management agencies to collectively prepare for and be resilient to wildfires. The portal works to enhance public awareness of wildfire and helps to build capacity for planning efforts and the development of hazardous fuels treatments at all levels. The Geographic Information System (GIS) platform allows users to view site specific hazard data such as wildfire risk level, how that risk can be reduced, and who to contact to learn more. WYWRAP provides information that is designed to reduce the potential for catastrophic wildland fires through educating the public and assisting decision makers to make informed choices regarding wildfire hazards, ecosystem enhancements, and public safety.

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For more information on Wyoming State Forestry Division and the Wyoming Wildfire Risk Assessment Portal, visit <http://wsfd.wyo.gov/>

The portal can be accessed by viewing the following link
<https://wywrap.wyo.gov>

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