



Texas A&M Forest Service Conducts Fire Weather Webinar

The National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy is a national collaborative effort to bring a broad cross-section of stakeholders together to address wildland fire management challenges. The Strategy directs wildland fire planning activities and has three primary goals: restore and maintain landscapes, develop Fire-Adapted Communities, and improve wildfire response.

Activity	Impact
# Webinar views on Youtube	240

The Texas A&M Forest Service hosted a webinar during February 2016 that provided wildfire prevention and preparedness tips, an overview of how fire departments can report wildfires, an update on predicted 2016 fire weather, and resources to stay updated on Texas fire weather.

The Texas A&M Forest Service places a high priority on science-based analysis, transparent information, public outreach and education. The webinar highlighted weather variability from year to year in Texas, making fire seasons difficult to predict. It also recommended staying aware of active fire weather and educated participants that dry weather can make fires harder to control. Firewise, Being Ember Aware, Ready, Set, Go! and Smokey Bear wildfire prevention and preparation resources were also discussed. Lastly, the webinar stressed the importance of fire departments submitting fire reports.

The webinar was promoted primarily to meteorologists, the media and community leaders. This audience communicates with the public about and makes informed decisions with

regard to wildland fire safety. On the day of the webinar, over 200 participants joined, including the target audience and the general public. The webinar is also archived on YouTube, receiving 240 views online.

Additional Information:

View webinar at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9vxPZ8bW7BY>

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