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Wildfire Awareness Week May 4 – May 11, 2013

Once again, the Nevada State Fire Marshal Division joins in the efforts of other public safety and community organizations to celebrate Nevada Wildfire Awareness Week, May 4 – May 11, 2013. With the message of "*Reduce the Fuels – Reduce the Risk*" we want to stress that preventing and surviving wildland fire is a team effort.

Fuel reduction restores the natural process involving fire. From the homeowner who creates defensible space around their property, to the builders who build and landscape ignition-resistant homes, to the fire captain who directs the firefighters during a wildfire, to the fire marshal who helps their community with education and resources – we all need to work together to keep Nevada fire safe.

I want to stress to each of you the importance of taking action now. Contact your local fire service professionals or your local Cooperative Extension office for guidance. Don't wait until the dry, hot days of summer are here and the flames are coming over the hill. Firefighters can't do it without your help!

You can find more information regarding the 2013 Nevada Wildfire Awareness Week at www.LivingWithFire.info where you will find useful and informative tips to improve the safety and wildfire survival of our communities.

Remember: "*Reduce the Fuels – Reduce the Risk*"

Yours truly in fire safety,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Peter J. Mulvihill".

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