



KENSINGTON
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

REPLANTING GRANT PROGRAM

Overview & Vegetation Management Standards

FOR PROJECTS IN 2024



REPLANTING GRANT PROGRAM

The Kensington Fire Protection District provides matching funds for replanting fire-smart plants after removing hazardous plants/debris from Kensington properties.

Use the following information to help execute your project effectively.

HOW WILL FUNDING BE PRIORITIZED?

Funding will be prioritized for projects that:

(A) remove especially hazardous plants in concentrated areas,

Example: Bamboo that has spread and became invasive overtaking a large portion of the yard.

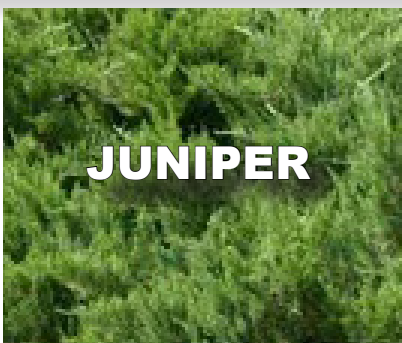
(B) affect several properties,

Example: Invasive plants growing between homes and along property lines.

(C) affect roadways, sidewalks, and other evacuation routes.

Example: Trees that risk falling and blocking routes, or Juniper growing along sidewalks.

WHICH PLANTS ARE PRIORITY FOR REMOVAL?



Juniper contains volatile oils that can burn intensely.

They are dense plants that retain a lot of dead material within and underneath their crowns.



Bamboo grows in dense concentrated clusters and spreads easily requiring thinning.

Accumulation of dead and dry material is a risk of ignition.



Eucalyptus sheds bark constantly. The bark catches fire readily, and the loose strips tend to carry fire up into the canopy, casting embers outward.

WHICH TYPES OF VEGETATION ARE PRIORITIZED?

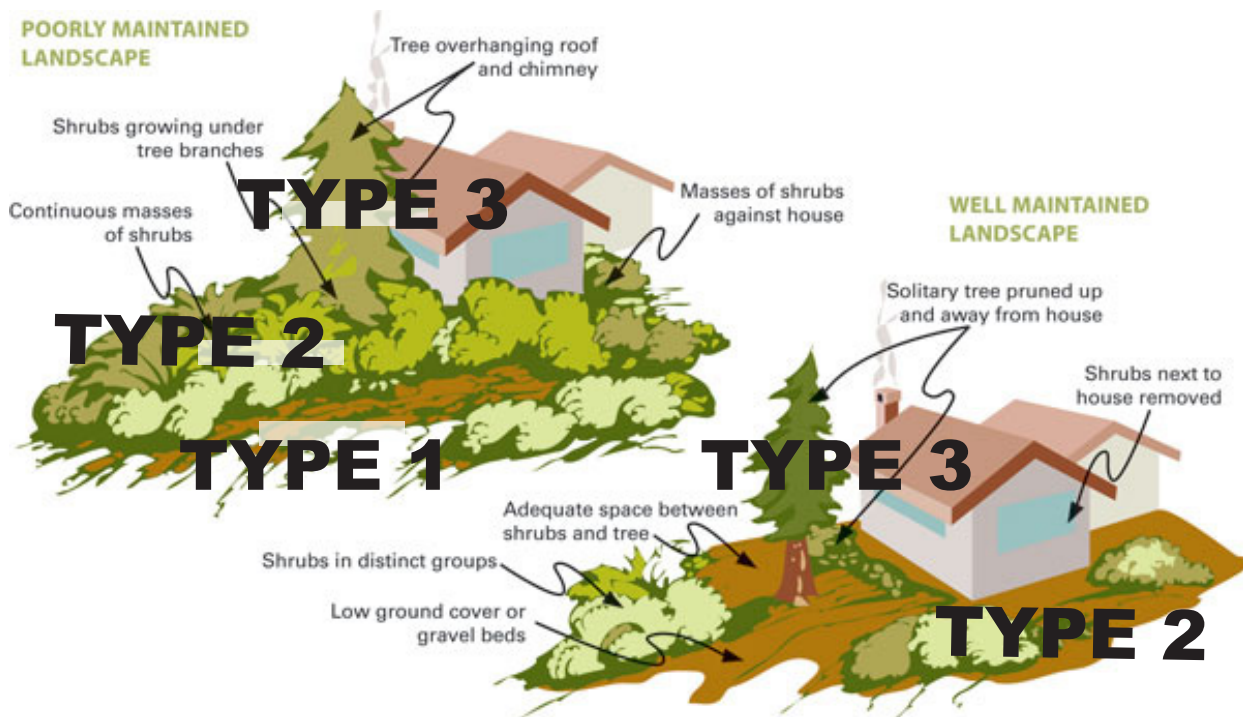
There are three types of vegetational hazards:

(Type 1) surface plants, mulch, etc., with low probability of spreading fire;

(Type 2) ground plants, such as bushes and taller herbs, that can contribute to fuel ladders spreading to crown fires; and

(Type 3) large flammable trees, which can be removed but also whose flammability can be reduced by removal of fuel around their bases and (e.g., eucalyptus) by removal of low-hanging peeled bark.

Priority will be given to Types 2 and 3 and to accumulated flammable debris. Please be specific about the types of vegetational hazards that you are removing.



ARE THERE VEGETATION MANAGEMENT STANDARDS?

The Kensington Fire Department conducts an annual process of vegetation property inspections. Please be sure your property is in compliance with our vegetation management standards which can be found by visiting us online.

www.kensingtonfire.org/vegetation-management