

FireWise Chipper Rental Rebate Program
Questions and Answers

Q: I rented a chipper in late February. Can I apply for the rebate?

A: No, your receipt must be dated after April 1, 2017 when this year's program was initiated.

Q: I'm having a contractor come in to masticate several acres on my property and he's going to treat some old slash piles while he's here. Can I claim a portion of the cost?

A: No. This program offers a rebate only when an actual chipper has been used.

Q: I'm going to have my oak and shrubs mowed. Does this count as chipping?

A: No. Unfortunately, mowing is considered mitigation work. This program offers a rebate only when an actual chipper has been used.

Q: My neighbors and I are planning on buying a chipper that we will share. Can we get a rebate for part of the cost?

A: While we recognize that purchase of a chipper may be cheaper and more effective in the long run, the rebate does not cover the purchase of equipment.

Q: I didn't use a professional contractor, but I hired someone to run the chipper I rented for me. Can I claim their labor costs?

A: Yes. You would claim the chipper rental on Line 1 and the labor costs on Line 2. Please provide an invoice and canceled check.

Q: Our subdivision is planning on renting a chipper for resident's use. How do they apply for the rebate?

A: The association can submit one application with invoice and will receive one rebate check. The subdivision or HOA is entitled to 50% of the cost up to \$1500. FireWise will not write checks to each individual that participated. The association is responsible for any participant reimbursements.

Q: I want to chip the piles I have from last year but will probably do more tree limbing later this summer. Can I get a rebate for both efforts?

A: It doesn't matter when you made the piles, just when they were chipped. If the chipping happened in multiple events, and they were all within the April 1 through October 31, 2017 season, submit all the receipts at the same time. The rebate is limited to one application per household per season.

Q: I hired a contractor and it only took them a few hours to chip my slash piles. How should I calculate my rebate?

A: Ask your contractor to list each chipping day separately. You are not required to specify how many hours they chipped each day.

Q: I rented a chipper for 3 hours. Can I get the rebate?

A: Yes. Chipper rentals are usually for whole or half days. Enter your days on Line 6 accordingly.

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Directions:

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- Enter the Name that you wish to appear on the rebate check.
- Include both the physical address and mailing address if they differ.
- The Acres Mitigated is your estimate of the work area, not your entire property.
- Volunteer Hours is how much time you spent mitigating and chipping. Not the time that you paid someone for.

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- Use Section A if the chipping was done on an individual property.
- Use Section B if the chipping was done on behalf of an association.
- Line 1 is used if you rented a chipper.
- Line 2 is used if you hired someone to operate the chipper that you rented.
- Line 3 is used if you payed a contractor to do the chipping with their own machine.
- In most cases, you will use either Line 1 or Line 3.

Application Information:

Name (for rebate check)	
Contact Name (if different)	
Physical Address	
City, State, Zip	
Mailing Name and Address (if different)	
City, State, Zip	
Email	
Phone 1 Phone 2	
Date	
Acres Mitigated	
Volunteer Hours	
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REBATE CALCULATION

Section A: Individuals

Line 1	Chipper Rental	\$
Line 2	Invoiced Labor	\$
Line 3	Contractor chipping charges	\$
Line 4	Subtotal (Add Lines 1, 2 and 3)	\$
Line 5	Multiply Line 4 by 50% (0.5)	\$
Line 6	Number of Rental days (half days=0.5)	
Line 7	Multiply rental days by \$150.	\$
Line 8	Rebate: enter the smaller of Line 5 or Line 7 (Maximum rebate is \$500)	

Section B: Associations

Line 1	Chipper rental	\$
Line 2	Invoiced labor	\$
Line 3	Contractor Invoice	\$
Line 4	Subtotal: Add Lines 1, 2 and 3	\$
Line 5	Rebate: Multiply Line 4 by 50% (0.5) (Maximum \$1500)	\$

Submit pages 3 and 4. Include two (2) photos of the work area or the chipping operation and all necessary invoices.

Electronic submissions are the quickest and most reliable way to submit a request.

If using a smart phone, it is best to use a scanning app (i.e. Cam Scanner, Turboscan, Evernote Scannable, etc.). Photos of documents do not transmit well.

Pictures are best in jpg format.

Submit electronic applications to:
<mailto:firewiserebate@gmail.com>

or via USPS to:
Bill Trimarco
1252 Loma Linda Dr.
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147

Chipping must occur between April 1, 2017 and October 31, 2017. Applications are accepted until November 15, 2017. Rebates are normally received within 30 days of submission.