

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
STATE OF CALIFORNIA



PROCLAMATION

California's long, hot and dry summers make our wildland areas vulnerable to severe wildfire conditions. The abundance of rain last winter caused excessive growth of grass and shrubbery in well-populated wildland areas, which poses a threat for uncontrolled wildfires.

Increased use of wilderness areas for development can place many homes, businesses and communities in the potential path of disastrous fires. All Californians who live, work and recreate in our state's wildlands must recognize the high risk of wildfire. Citizens should strive to be fire safe and take every precaution to protect themselves, their property and our natural resources.

Wildfire Awareness Week is a valuable opportunity for California's fire agencies and communities to reduce the risk of wildfire and increase public safety and environmental health.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARNOLD SCHWARZENEGGER, Governor of the State of California, do hereby proclaim May 7-13, 2006, as "Wildfire Awareness Week."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have here unto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of California to be affixed this 21st day of March 2006.



Handwritten signature of Arnold Schwarzenegger in black ink.

Arnold Schwarzenegger
GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA
Attest:

Handwritten signature of Bruce McPherson in black ink.

Bruce McPherson
SECRETARY OF STATE