Idaho Firewise 2017

Week 13:

Tuesday, July 18th, 9 to 1:30, 4.5 hrs
- Removed the faded flower stalks of the *Nepeta* (catmint) plant in Phase 1 to promote continued bloom
- Deadheaded much of the *Coreopsis* and *Gaillardia* in the garden with volunteer Donna
- Weed removal in Phase 1 as well as around the turf plot area
- Removed *Celtis* and tree of heaven starts from one of the *Ceanothus* shrubs
- Watered turf plot #1 (dry spot) + watered the honeysuckle, thyme, and sedum plants by the front gate
- Weed removal and deadheading on the green roof
- Watered nursery plants + turf swale/Vinca area where there is no water supply

Wednesday, July 19th, 8:30 to 2:30, 30 min lunch, 5.5 hrs
- General weed removal in all areas with greater attention around the turf plots and the front gardens
- Debris clean up around plants, mainly Phase 2
- Deadheaded - *Hymenoxys, Hemerocallis*
- Hard cutbacks on any faded or dried looking *Hemerocallis*
- Checked irrigation in several zones, located/ fixed an issue near the back gate
- Lots of chatty people today! Spent a significant time with a couple from Colorado Springs talking about plant choices for the drought tolerant palette
- Watered nursery plants, transplants, and the *Crataegus* trees in Phase 3

Friday, July 21st, 9 to 3, 6 hrs
- Mowed the turf plots
- Debris removal, deadheading, and weed and sucker removal, Phase 4
- Deadheaded - *Oenothera, Coreopsis, Gaillardia, Delosperma, Sedum, Thyme, Hemerocallis*
- Phase 2 shady area - deadheaded *Lilium* (wild hollyhock), pruned dead material out of the grape vine, and removed black locust suckers
- Watered nursery plants, transplants, and extra hand watering in the Phase 2 North area
- General weed removal at the end of the day, walk-through to check all areas before the weekend
Total Hours: 16

Week 14:

Sunday, July 23rd, 7:15 to 12:30, 5.25 hrs
- Line trimmed turf plots
- Debris cleanup in Phase 1 and 2 around the base of plants, things are looking more tired due to the high temps
- Deadheaded - *Hymenoxys, Sedum, Berlandiera, Hemerocallis*
- Watered crucial areas before leaving for the day

Tuesday, July 25th, 8:15 to 2, 30 min lunch, 5.25 hrs
- Tours with Wildfires and Weeds class from the Idaho Project Learning Tree group. The first tour was led by Ann DeBolt who took us into the foothills beneath Table Rock and behind the FW garden. The second tour was led by Brett in the FW garden.
- Hard cutbacks - *Saponaria, Iberis*
- Deadheaded - *Delosperma, Gaillardia, Coreopsis*
- Debris removal in the shade nursery area, lots of leaf buildup from various plants/trees

Friday, July 28th, 8:45 to 3:30, 30 min lunch, 6.25 hrs
- Removed spotted spurge along swale, Phase 4
- Mowed turf plots + weeded in and around the plots
- Watered honesuckle, thyme, sedum around front gate
- Deadheaded - *Delosperma, Coreopsis, Gaillardia, Hemerocallis, Oenothera*
- Hard cutbacks - *Hemerocallis*
- Debris removal around the base of plants, Phase 2
- Watered *Crataegus*, Phase 3 + watered knoll area under black locust
- Cleaned nursery plants - removed bloom stalks from the *Saponaria*, removed leaf debris from all containers
Total Hours: 16.75