Idaho Firewise 2017

Week 19:

Tuesday, August 29th, 9 to 2:45, 5.75 hrs
- Discussion - wedding on the 16th, placement of chairs, arch, etc.
- Phase 2 - debris removal, cut Echinacea and Liatris back flush to the ground
- Phase 1 - removed rose and quince starts from around the hybrid Rosa + some light pruning
- Phase 1 cont. - spurge removal, leaf litter cleanup, hard cutbacks on the Iberis
- Swale - cleaned away the fescue grass from around the Penstemons, removed dead/woody material from the plants
- Deadheaded - Gaillardia, Coreopsis
- Watered Sedum, Thyme, and Lonicera by front gate as well as the nursery plants

Thursday, August 31st, 8:45 to 3:45, 30 minute lunch, 6.5 hrs
- Turf plots maintenance, push mow
- Phase 1 maintenance with Andrea E. and Brett - weed and debris removal, top dressing with new granite mulch
- Spent a good deal of time with the big Yucca plant in this area, removed dried/dead material
- Phase 1 cont. - Delosperma removal, deadheaded and cleaned up the Sphaeralcea patch + debris and weed removal

Friday, Sept 1st, 9 to 2:15, 30 minute lunch, 4.75 hrs
- Discussion - seating arrangement and spacing of 140 chairs for the wedding, ~15 rows all the way back to the sustainable garden archway
- Turf plot maintenance, line trim work
- Continuing on with a focus on Phase 1 - hard cutbacks to Hemerocallis, deadheaded Gaillardia, Papaver, Sedum
- Debris cleanup in Phase 1 and Phase 2 islands
- Watered Sedum, Thyme, Lonicera

Total Hours: 17
Week 20:

Tuesday, September 5th, 8:45 to 1:15, 30 min lunch, 4 hrs
- Air quality concerns, most likely limited hours in the garden this week
- Phase 1 North - hard cutbacks to the *Hemerocallis* continue, took flower stalks of the *Coreopsis* all the way to the ground leaving behind the newer fleshy green leaves, debris removal
- Discussion - board meeting in October, Idaho FW partners, importance of evaluations for all FW demo gardens
- Irrigation fix in Phase 1 North - pulled the existing Netafim away from the fernbush and re-staked further into the island where irrigation is weaker

Thursday, September 7th, 8:45 to 10, 1.25 hrs
- Quick stop-in due to smoky conditions
- Turf plot maintenance, push mow
- Watered fairly extensively before leaving for the day

Friday, September 8th, 9 to 3, 6 hrs
- Deadheaded - *Ilamna, Eriogonum, Echinacea*
- Turf plot maintenance, line trim work
- Removed decaying *Delosperma* from a few 'John Proffitt' patches, Phase 2 + redressed with new granite mulch
- Bigger deadheading project - *Sphaeralcea ambigua*, Phase 2 + general cleanup in this area
- Removed remains of the *Cerastium*, Phase 2

Total Hours: 11.25