



# News Release

## Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest

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## Nevada Wildland Fire Awareness Week Kick-Off Event for **BE EMBER AWARE!**

Friday, May 1, 2009, 11:00 a.m.

**Sparks, Nevada...**As one of the many fire agencies along the Sierra Front, the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest invites you to the fourth annual Nevada Wildfire Awareness Week kick-off next Friday, May 1, 2009, at 11:00 a.m. in Washoe Valley, off of Eastlake Road at 885 East Lake Boulevard (between the Nevada Division of Forestry Office and the State seed bank).



**2007 Angora Fire in South Lake Tahoe**

Multiple federal, state, and county fire engines, a helicopter, the U.S. Forest Service's prevention trailer, and Smokey Bear will be at this event. Booths will be set up to provide defensible space and other fire prevention information. For further information, contact Patty Eder, Fire Prevention Officer, at 775-355-5372, or Christie Kalkowski, Public Affairs Officer, at 775-355-5311. Visit [www.livingwithfire.info](http://www.livingwithfire.info) to learn about all you can do to make your home defensible this fire season.

The goal for Nevada's fourth annual Wildland Fire Awareness Week is to build awareness about the threat of embers during a wildfire.

Many times it is not the active fire front that burns homes; embers gathering in "drifts" and through vents and chimneys are more often to blame.

These embers destroy homes in our most urban settings as well as in the wildland urban interface, rural and ranching communities. No one is immune.

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