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In Fire's Way: A Practical Guide to Life in the Wildfire Danger Zone

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University of New Mexico Press. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, In Fire's Way: A Practical Guide to Life in the Wildfire Danger Zone, T. Wolf, This book which is written by an environmental journalist with advanced degrees in forestry offers readers a partnership role not just with fire-fighters but with fire itself. Designed to help westerners understand the Wildfire Danger Zone in the Rocky Mountain states, it focuses closely on New Mexico and Colorado, going beyond technical questions to larger life-style issues. Beginning with discussions of the general properties of wildfire, the ways residents can minimise property damage, and lessons for how to avoid conflagrations such as those that have devastated the mountain communities of Los Alamos and Durango, the book proposes the formation of partnerships at the local, state, and federal levels to manage fire for the health of local ecosystems. Fire management is inevitably controversial. Proposals for reducing combustibility by increasing logging are as offensive to some citizens as increased government regulations are to others. Prescribed and controlled burns are essential but frightening. As the rural West attracts more suburbanites who expect government agencies to keep them safe, ranchers and farmers are increasingly vocal in their opposition...



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