FireSmart™ BC Group Discussion Question Examples

Introduction to FireSmart:

- What comes to mind when you hear the term "FireSmart"?
- Follow-up: How do you think FireSmart principles could be relevant to our community?

Personal Experiences:

- Have you or someone you know ever been directly affected by a wildfire?
- Follow-up: In what ways did it impact you or your community, and what lessons were learned?

Understanding Wildfire Risk:

- How aware are you of the wildfire risk in our community?
- Follow-up: What measures, if any, do you think are currently in place to address this risk?

FireSmart Principles:

- Before today, were you familiar with the FireSmart? What aspects surprised you the most?
- Follow-up: How do you think adopting FireSmart could benefit our community?

Community Involvement:

- In your opinion, what role should the community play in reducing the risk of wildfires?
- Follow-up: What specific actions can individuals take to contribute to a FireSmart community?

Mitigation Strategies:

- Are there any specific FireSmart mitigation strategies you think would be particularly effective in our local community?
- Follow-up: How can we encourage the widespread adoption of these strategies within our community?

Emergency Preparedness:

- How well-prepared do you feel for a potential wildfire emergency? What steps have you taken, if any?
- Follow-up: What additional steps can individuals and the community take to enhance their preparedness?

Promoting FireSmart Practices:

- What challenges do you foresee in promoting FireSmart practices within our community, and how can we overcome them?
- Follow-up: How can we create awareness and encourage community participation in FireSmart initiatives?

Responsibility and Cooperation:

- Whose responsibility do you think it is to ensure FireSmart practices are implemented – individuals, local government, or a combination of both?
- Follow-up: How can different partners collaborate to create a more FireSmart community?

Taking Action:

- What immediate steps can our community take to become more FireSmart? How can individuals contribute to this effort?
- Follow-up: How can we establish ongoing efforts to ensure the sustainability of FireSmart practices in our community?

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