

PRESS RELEASE

Plumas County Fire Safe Council Meeting 3/10/04

The Plumas County Fire Safe Council cordially invites interested citizens to participate in their regularly scheduled monthly meeting. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 10, 2004 at the Quincy Fire Department, upstairs meeting room, from 9:00 to 11:00 AM.

The Plumas County Fire Safe Council is a coalition of citizens, businesses and representatives from local, state, and federal government agencies, which share a common interest in preventing loss of life and minimizing loss of property from wildland fires. Plumas County's Council is becoming one of the more active councils in California.

At the March meeting, the Council will be developing their Goals for 2004. There will also be discussions of their numerous projects some of which include: 1) hazardous fuel reduction projects at different locations across the county; 2) creating of defensible space for elderly and disabled citizens, 3) providing educational information and Council coordination activities, and 4) a countywide wildland fuel assessment and strategy plan. There will also be discussion of projects for which funding is being sought. Projects are funded with National Fire Plan grants from the US Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, and Plumas County Title II and Title III funds.

Fire Safe Council members encourage residents to begin their defensible space cleanup and make their homes Fire Safe. By doing this you will also give your fire department a safer environment and fighting chance. It is not a question of if, but when, a wildland fire will threaten lives and property in Plumas County. We have been fortunate in the past, but we must continue to take appropriate actions to prevent catastrophic losses in the future.

The mission of the Fire Safe Council is: ***“To reduce the loss of natural and manmade resources caused by wildfire through pre-fire activities.”*** Everyone in Plumas County is welcome to become a member of the Council. For more information on the Fire Safe Council activities visit our website at www.plumasfiresafe.org