

Plumas County Fire Safe Council



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Meeting Notes

Thursday January 11, 2007 - 9:00 am.

Plumas County
Planning & Building Services Conference Room
555 Main Street – Quincy, CA

*Ed Harrison, Chair (08)
Ron Cross, Vice Chair (08)
Brian West, Treasure (08)
John Sheehan, Secretary (06)
Andy Anderson (07)
Jim Graham, (07)
Mike De Lasaux, (06)
Jim Hamblin (07)
Frank Stewart (06)
Dale Meese (08)
Michael Condon (07)*

OLD BUSINESS

1. Welcome & Introductions- Ed Harrison
2. Review Agenda – Ed Harrison
3. Next meeting – **February 8, 2007**
4. Review/Approve minutes from 12/14/06 meeting – Ed Harrison - **Steve Windward made a motion to approve the notes as presented. Dan Martynn seconded, and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote.**
5. Public Comment - Ed Harrison - **Paul & Mary Blakenship, Indian Valley Residents, asked how they could get assistance in reducing hazardous fuels on their property. They were provided the necessary information. David Hoelkaday encouraged members to attend future planning commission visionary meetings which will discuss forestry & fire protection.**
6. Status update of Current Grants. (Refer to Grant Summary Sheets)
 - A. PC FSC 02- 9 – NS AQMD Chipping in lieu of burning –John Sheehan – **There was a shortage of \$890 in the Indian Falls HFR project and chipping funds will be used to help pay for a portion of the chipping costs of the project.**
 - B. PC FSC 03- 2 & 3 - Indian Falls HFR - 50 acres - John Sheehan – **Project is complete & a final report was made available to Council members.**
 - C. PC FSC 03- 6 & 7 - Cromberg HFR - 350 acres - John Sheehan – **All sawlogs have been transported to the mill. There is about 1 day of mastication left to complete the project.**

- D. PC FSC 04-1, 2, & 8 - C Road HFR – 117 acres – John Sheehan – **40 acres remaining on the projects. Wayland Resource is submitting a La Malfia Exemption to complete harvesting.**
 - E. PC FSC 04-4 & 12 - Canyon Dam HFR - 900 acres– John Sheehan – **NEPA is completed. A stewardship contract is expected to be put out to bid in the spring.**
 - F. PC FSC 04-6 - County Stewardship Proposal – John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report**
 - G. PC FSC 06-7 - PC FSC Council Coordination – John Sheehan – **Eight grant proposals are being developed. 4 for Title III, 2 for CA FSC & 2 for CDF prop 40. Work continues with website updates, sharing of firesafe information, press releases & associated grant activities.**
 - H. PC FSC 05-2 & 6 - Whitehawk HFR- 121 acres – John Sheehan – **Solicitation for contractor bids closes on 1/12/07.**
 - I. PC FSC 05-3 & 7 - Greenhorn HFR 30 acres – John Sheehan – **Wayland Resources expects to submit the NEPA document by the end of the month. An encroachment permit from the county has been obtained.**
 - J. PC FSC 05-4 & 8 - Grizzly Ck. HFR- 128 acres – John Sheehan –**RPF Windward expect to have the prospectus for solicitation of contractor bids out by the end of the month.**
 - K. PC FSC 06-1 & 8 – West Almanor Community Club HFR – 11 acres -John Sheehan – **Prospectus for contractor bids is open until 1/26/07.**
 - L. PC FSC 03-1, 05-5, 06-2 & 5 – Eastern Plumas HFR – 175 acres - John Sheehan – **Project layout and collection of landowner agreements continues.**
 - M. PC FSC 06-3 & 9 – Massack HFR – 160 acres -John Sheehan – **Project is marked and flagged. Wayland Resources expect to submit CEQA in 2 weeks.**
 - N. PC FSC 06-4 & 10 – Little Grass Valley HFR – 111 acres - John Sheehan - **Awaiting funds and a contract from PNF**
 - O. PC FSC 06-6 – La Porte Pines HFR – 75 acres -John Sheehan – **Awaiting funds and a contract from PNF**
7. HFQLG –HFR project overview/relation to communities’ opportunities - Project mapping integration involving USFS, CDF and Fire Safe Council - PNF’s fuel reduction out year program of work – Michael Condon – **Nothing New to Report**
 8. Implementation of the Plumas County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) – Jim Graham- **Jim was not available to report.**
 9. Committee report on recommendations for fuel reduction treatment areas of public lands around communities, beyond HFQLG. – Frank Stewart – **Frank was not available to report.**

PC FSC Board Nominating Committee Report– Ed Harrison - **Currently PC FSC By-Laws limit Board of Directors to two consecutive terms. That would make 3 of the current directors unable to be re-elected. Our By laws could be changed, but changing them requires a 2/3 majority of the Board Members, provided there is a quorum present. There was not a quorum at this meeting. Our By Laws also requires that the Officers be chosen annually by a majority vote of the Board. Because a Board quorum was lacking, this item will be carried to the February meeting.**

NEW BUSINESS

1. Presentation of Plumas County’s Internet mapping system – Dennis Miller – **A presentation by of the new “Plumas County Parcel Viewer”, which is a Countywide, internet based, GIS mapping system. Residents can access the viewer which includes a seamless base map of the County’s assessed parcels with street address numbers, roads, and watercourses in the county. Maps can be viewed in a variety of formats including ortho-topographic, topographic or hillshade. Users can select those layers they are interested in. Layers include supervisor districts, planning zones, special districts, water, soil & wildlife information. PC FSC is working closely with the Planning Department to also include wildfire information layers, such as fire history, and fire behavior information. The new Plumas County Parcel Viewer allows a user to create their own maps by selecting the layers with the features they are most interested in, for the area they want**
2. Defensible Space on Public Lands – Jason Moghaddas- **There was discussion on looking for opportunities to reduce hazardous fuels on public lands where they are adjacent to private residences so that property owners are able to obtain all 100 feet of their defensible space. PC FSC members will work with fire staff on the Mt Hough Ranger District to begin identifying potential residents, then send a letter to property owners to assess their interest.**
3. Working with Board of Forestry on Fuel Reduction Exemptions- Mike De Lasaux – **Mike was not available to discuss. Will carry over till February.**
4. Secure Rural Schools Funding – Frank Stewart - **Frank was not available to report.**
5. CA FSC legislative issues – Frank Stewart - **Frank was not available to report.**
6. Prepare, Stand & Defend – Mike De Lasaux - **Mike was not available to discuss. Will carry over till February.**
7. Review PC FSC Goals for 2007 – Ed Harrison – **Due to time constraints, this item will carry over till February.**

The meeting concluded at 11:35 AM