

Plumas County Fire Safe Council



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Meeting Notes

Meeting April 14, 2005 9:00 am.
Quincy Fire Department

Jim Graham, Chair (05)
Ron Cross, Vice Chair (06)
Ed Harrison, Treasurer (06)
John Sheehan, Secretary (06)
Andy Anderson (05)
Mike De Lasaux, (06)
Jim Hamblin (05)
Frank Stewart (06)
David Hawks (06)
John Gay (05)
Brian West (06)

OLD BUSINESS

1. Welcome & Introductions- Ron Cross
2. Review Agenda – Ron Cross
3. Next meeting: **May 12, 2005**
4. Review/Approve minutes from 3/9/05 meeting - **Brian West made a motion to approve the notes, Ed Harrison, seconded, and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote**
5. Status update of Current Grants. (Refer to Grant Summary Sheet)
 - A. PC FSC 02-1 & 02-2 - 100 Acre HFR Demonstration– Brian Wayland – **Brian reported there are 3 loads of logs left to be hauled and that will complete work on all properties.**

Remaining funds will be used funds to develop a catalog of all projects, expand our website information on fuel reduction, provide funds to the Sierra Valley 4H for a Firewise demonstration garden and publish the Strategy & Assessment
 - B. PC FSC. 02- 9 – NSAQMD Chipping in lieu of burning –John Sheehan – **\$5,000 allocate to the Quincy CSD project for Chipping in lieu of burning.**
 - C. PC FSC. 03- 1 – Outreach Delleker/Portola HFR 125 acres - John Sheehan- **Nothing new to report.**
 - D. PC FSC. 03- 2 & 3 - Indian Falls HFR 50 acres - John Sheehan – **Expect a Decision Memo from the Mt. Hough District Ranger this week. Project is exempt from CEQA.**
 - E. PC FSC. 03- 6 & 7 - Cromberg HFR 350 acres - John Sheehan – **NEPA has been submitted to the Beckwourth District Ranger. CEQA to be complete by the end of the**

month. Brian will be working with landowners on contracts. The harvesting permit for this project will be filed under the Hazardous Fuel Emergency Exemption.

- F. PC FSC 03–8 & 14 - Project Development, and Coordination - John Sheehan – **Nothing new to report.**
 - G. PC FSC 03–9 & 04-9 - Graeagle Fuelbreak THP 200 acres – John Sheehan – **Nothing new to report.**
 - H. PC FSC 03-10 & 11 - Quincy CSD HFR 13 acres – John Sheehan – **Expect work to begin by the end of the month. Project is now for 13 acres.**
 - I. PCFSC 03 –12 & 13 - Elderly/Disabled Defensible Space – John Sheehan – **Dick Kielhorn, project coordinator will be going to solicit contractors. Expect the notice to be posted on our website. There are presently 9 potential clients.**
 - J. PCFSC 03-16 – 100 acres Hazardous Fuel Reduction –Delleker North - John Sheehan – **100 acres is the new target. The last 30 acres should be felled and hauled in the next couple of weeks.**
 - K. PCFSC 03-17 - FSC Coordination CY04 – John Sheehan- **3 HFR RAC project grant proposals have been recommended to submit a full proposal for final consideration by 5/13/05 Meeting agenda, notes and press releases continue to be prepared and distributed. A preparation for a PowerPoint presentation of the PC FSC Community Fire Plan to the BoS is being accomplished. CA FSC has extended this contract until 6/30/05.**
 - L. PCFSC 04-1, 2, & 8 - C Road HFR – John Sheehan – **Brian will begin working on this project after Long Valley. Community & PC FSC members met with the Rural Electric Cooperative (REC) to discuss hazardous tree removal. An effort will be made to try and schedule both the REC & PC FSC projects together.**
 - M. PCFSC 04-3 & 10 - Gold Mountain HFR – John Sheehan – **Nothing new to report.**
 - N. PCFSC 04-4 & 12 Canyon Dam HFR Planning– John Sheehan – **The project is currently planned for 900 acres. Scoping has been accomplished and all comments were supportive. PNF specialist will be conducting surveys for NEPA this spring. This project may also go out as a stewardship proposal.**
 - O. PCFSC 04-6 County Stewardship Proposal – John Sheehan – **Nothing new to report.**
 - P. PCFSC 04-7 & 11 - Red Clover (Genesee) HFR– John Sheehan – **Nothing new to report.**
6. Grants Pending – John Sheehan – The following projects are being developed or pending:
- A. PC FSC Council Coordination – **Title III – Plumas County Board of Supervisors have not acted yet on Title III requests. RAC returned letters**

- B. Greenhorn HFR – Title III & Title II - **Title III – Plumas County Board of Supervisors have not acted yet on Title III requests. RAC met on 3/25/05 and after review of this project, they stated that it was supported by all 2 of the 3 groups. We have the option of submitting an application or not. We plan on submitting an application**

- C. White Hawk HFR – Title III, National Forest Foundation, CA FSC & Title II - **Title III – Plumas County Board of Supervisors have not acted yet on Title III requests. RAC met on 3/25/05 and after review of this project, they determined it to meet the intent of the law, and it was supported by all 3 groups. They invited us to submit an application.**
 - o Action Item: who is the designated official recipient to sign the CDF contract for the FSC and sign for receipt of the Prop 40 funds? **This project was also selected for Prop 40 funding. One of the requirements of the CDF contract is that our notes reflect who is the designated official recipient to sign the CDF contract for the FSC and sign for receipt of the Prop 40 funds. John Sheehan made a motion that our Chair, Jim Graham, be the designated official to sign the contract and for the funds. Jim Hamblin, seconded, and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote**

- D. Grizzly Creek HFR - Title III, Title II & CA FSC - **Title III – Plumas County Board of Supervisors have not acted yet on Title III requests. RAC met on 3/25/05 and after review of this project, they determined it to meet the intent of the law, and it was supported by all 3 groups. They invited us to submit an application.**
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- E. Mohawk Vista HFR – Title III - **Title III – Plumas County Board of Supervisors have not acted yet on Title III requests.**

- 7. HFQLG –HFR project overview/relation to communities Opportunities - Project mapping integration involving US FS, CDF and Fire Safe Council - PNF’s fuel reduction out year program of work - John Gay – **Nothing New To Report**

- 8. Update on the Plumas County Community Wildland Fire Plan. – Jerry Hurley - **The Plan will be presented to the Plumas County Board of Supervisors for their adoption as a County Plan on 4/19/05.**

- 9. Meadow Valley Lawsuit - Mike De Lasaux – **Mike and others will be attending the hearing on Monday 4/18.**

- 10. Committees report on recommendations for fuel reduction treatment areas of public lands around communities, beyond HFQLG. – Frank Stewart - **Nothing New To Report**

- 11. HR 2389 County School Coalition meeting in Reno. - Frank Stewart/ Mike De Lasaux – Jerry will be meeting with the Committee members on Monday 4/18/05. They will meet on the ground at some of our projects to review them and discuss the process.**
- 12. Wildland Fire and Structure Survival Workshop- Mike De Lasaux – Mike handed out flyers for the workshop.**

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Support Letter for Warner Valley Evacuation Road –Matt Cerney – Matt presented the Almanor RD’s RAC proposal and requested a letter of support form the Council. Mike De Lasaux made a motion to accept the draft letter that was prepared. John Sheehan seconded, and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote.**
- 2. Young Pine Project - Matt Cerney - Matt presented the Almanor RD’s proposal to thin the Young Pine Plantation, and requested a letter of support form the Council. The Council requested more information on how this project fits with our communities at risk. It will be carried over to the Agenda for next month.**

Ray Nichol made a motion that PC FSC will provide letters of support to HFR in the County within Communities at Risk or the WUI. Jim Graham seconded, the motion was carried by a unanimous vote.

- 3. Meeting Accesibility – Mike De Lasaux- We now have people attending our meetings who require better accessibility than the upstairs of the fire hall. We will begin exploring options for a more accessible location for our monthly meetings.**

The meeting concluded at 11:10 AM