

# Plumas County Fire Safe Council



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## Meeting Notes

**Thursday August 11, 2005 9:00 am.**

***Feather River Grange Hall***

***55 W. Main Street***

***(Between Plumas Motor Supply & Stoney's)***  
***Quincy, CA.***

### OLD BUSINESS

1. Welcome & Introductions- Jim Graham
2. Review Agenda – Jim Graham
3. Next meeting: **September 8, 2005**
4. Review/Approve minutes from 6/9/05 meeting – **Ed Harrison made a motion to approve the notes with the identified change. Jim Hamblin, seconded, and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote**
5. Public Comment - **Bev Dinubilo from Iron Horse was present and stated their community would like to begin working with PC FSC on a community HFR project. Jerry Hurley will be meeting with their homeowners association on Saturday.**
6. Status update of Current Grants. (Refer to Grant Summary Sheet)
  - A. PC FSC. 02- 9 – NSAQMD Chipping in lieu of burning – Jerry Hurley – **Nothing New to Report.**
  - B. PC FSC. 03- 1 – Outreach Delleker/Portola HFR 125 acres - Jerry Hurley - **Nothing New to Report.**
  - C. PC FSC. 03- 2 & 3 - Indian Falls HFR 50 acres – Jerry Hurley– **Nothing New to Report.**
  - D. PC FSC. 03- 6 & 7 - Cromberg HFR 350 acres – Danielle Branchio – **Pre bid meeting has occurred, RPF has recommended a contractor, awaiting Plumas Corp to award the bid.**

- E. PC FSC 03-9 & 04-9 - Graeagle Fuelbreak THP 200 acres – Jerry Hurley – **Nothing New to Report.**
- F. PC FSC 03-10 & 11 - Quincy CSD HFR 13 acres – Jerry Hurley – **Project is Complete – Will Delete from Agenda**
- G. PCFSC 03 –12 & 13 - Elderly/Disabled Defensible Space – Dick Kielhorn – **To date, 69 properties have been completed awarded or are out to bid. Project target was 75. Funds are approved until 12/31, so Dick will continue outreach.**
- H. PCFSC 03-16 – 100 acres Hazardous Fuel Reduction –Delleker North - Jerry Hurley – **Awaiting PNF approval to extend the project.**
- I. PCFSC 03-17 - FSC Coordination CY04 – Jerry Hurley **Project is Complete – Will Delete from Agenda**
- J. PCFSC 04-1, 2, & 8 - C Road HFR – Jerry Hurley – **The project Bid Prospectus is out – with a pre-bid trip on 8/22 and bids due on 9/5.**
- K. PCFSC 04-3 & 10 - Gold Mountain HFR – Jerry Hurley – **Nothing New to Report.**
- L. PCFSC 04-4 & 12 Canyon Dam HFR Planning– Jerry Hurley – **Nothing New to Report.**
- M. PCFSC 04-6 County Stewardship Proposal – Jerry Hurley – **Nothing New to Report.**
- N. PCFSC 04-7 & 11 - Red Clover (Genesee) HFR– Danielle Branchio – **Nothing New to Report.**
- O. PCFSC 05-1 - PC FSC Council Coordination – Jerry Hurley – **Work continues in PC FSC Coordination with funds from this project, as funds from the BLM FSC Coordination grant have been exhausted. Ray Nichol is updating our website and efforts have begun in three more communities for future HFR projects.**
- P. PCFSC 05-2 - Whitehawk HFR – Jerry Hurley – **John Sheehan will be preparing the bid prospectus for a RPF.**
- Q. PCFSC 05-3 - Greenhorn HFR Planning– Jerry Hurley – **John Sheehan will be preparing the bid prospectus for a RPF.**
- R. PCFSC 05-4 - Grizzly Ck. HFR – Jerry Hurley – **John Sheehan will be preparing the bid prospectus for a RPF.**
- S. PCFSC 05-5 Mohawk Vista HFR – Mike De Lasaux – **Mike will be working with Beckwourth RD prevention personnel on an outreach strategy. This project will be handled by UC Cooperative Education**

7. Grants Pending -
  - A. Whitehawk HFR – Title II - Jerry Hurley – **Awaiting Approval letter from PNF Forest Supervisor.**
  - B. Greenhorn HFR –Title II - Jerry Hurley – **Awaiting Approval letter from PNF Forest Supervisor.**
  - C. Grizzly Creek HFR - Title II - Jerry Hurley – **Awaiting Approval letter from PNF Forest Supervisor.**
  
8. 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 –  
**Beckwourth Ranger District has requested time at the next FSC meeting to discuss the Freeman project. Council members discussed how to best facilitate USFS project presentations. The group concurred that during the meeting any new fuel reduction project which ties to the Community Wildfire Protection Plan and connectivity to the communities, should be mentioned and briefly discussed. Presentations of actual projects with more in depth information and maps, for the purposes of more involved scoping or solicitation of FSC input, should be presented immediately following the regular business meeting. That will allow for those FSC members whom are interested, to stay and participate without lengthening the regular business meetings.**
  
9. Implementation of the Plumas County Community Wildland Fire Plan.– Jim Graham **Members interested in implementing the Community Wildfire Protection Plan met prior to the meeting. Interested Council members are encouraged to participate.**  
**Three areas currently being worked on are:**
  - 1) **Creating a display and information material in the County Planning & Building Services department to increase Firewise awareness of homeowners, builders, & developers.**
  - 2) **Begin researching and developing a process to improve hazardous fuel reduction in future subdivisions.**
  - 3) **Explore the best way to incorporate fire protection into future developments.**
  
10. Committee report on recommendations for fuel reduction treatment areas of public lands around communities, beyond HFQLG. – Frank Stewart - **Nothing New to report.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

1. LA Porte HFR project – Jerry Hurley – **Members of a La Porte Community have asked for assistance in obtaining grant funds to reduce fuels in their common areas and on public lands adjacent to the community. The request was forwarded to the Feather River District Ranger, as the majority of the project is lands they administer. John Sheehan will be attending a public meeting on Saturday 8/27 hosted by the Feather River ranger District.**
  
2. Red Flag Program – Lisa Davis - **Lisa, a Fire Prevention Technician from the Beckwourth Ranger District solicited the FSC for their interest and support in a “RED FLAG” fire danger program. This program has had success in a number of other communities in the country. The participants in the program fly a red wildfire danger fln on days when red flag condition for severe wildfire occur. She asked of the Council’s interest in providing fiscal support and program oversight. Council members expressed support for the idea.**

**They felt that in order to maintain program integrity, (limiting flags to key visible locations and where there would be raised and lowered according to the proper situations) that the USFS was in the best position to manage the program. The Council expressed support for funding of the flags and brochures, but needed more specific cost information before a motion could be passed. Council members requested Lisa or another PNF fire person come back to the next meeting with more specific cost details and a firm plan for implementation and management, and that program integrity needed to be maintained.**

**The meeting adjourned at 11:00AM**