

PRESS RELEASE

Plumas County Fire Safe Council Meeting 1/13/11

The Plumas County Fire Safe Council cordially invites citizens to participate in their regularly scheduled monthly meeting to be held on Thursday, January 13, 2011 at the Plumas County Planning & Building Services office, located at 555 Main Street in Quincy, from 9:00 to 11:00 AM.

At the meeting, the Council will be electing Board members and officers for 2011. Information will also be presented on progress towards wildfire mitigation projects and implementation of the Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

The Council is seeking communities who would like assistance in developing wildfire mitigation activities. The Council can provide community assistance in public education, application to become a Firewise Community, or work to assist in the reduction of hazardous fuels. Hazardous Fuel Reduction (HFR) is a key mitigation measure recognizing the need to reduce levels of hazardous fuels that are fueling wildfires, increasing the destruction of our forests, watershed, habitats and threatening our communities.

The science is thoroughly convincing that if we reduce fuel loads we will reduce the intensity and consequently damage from wildfires. To date PC FSC has received funding for completing treatment of 2,500 acres and is currently treating an additional 450 acres of private lands, in 17 communities. You can review project reports along with before and after photos, of recently completed projects for Greenhorn Ranch, Little Grass Valley, Gold Mountain and La Porte Road. Go to our website www.plumasfiresafe.org and click on "Projects " under *Council Activities*.

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. The mission of the Fire Safe Council is: ***"To reduce the loss of natural and manmade resources caused by wildfire through pre-fire activities."***

For more information on our Council, Plumas County's Community Wildfire Protection Plan, and other fire safe information, visit our website or contact the Coordinator by email to coord@plumasfiresafe.org or phone 283-0829 and leave a message.