Meeting Notes
Thursday December 10, 2009 - 9:00 am.
Plumas County
Planning & Building Services Conference Room
555 Main Street – Quincy, CA

Mission Statement:
“To reduce the loss of natural and manmade resources caused by wildfire through Firewise Community programs and pre-fire activities.”

OLD BUSINESS
1. Welcome & Introductions- Brian West
2. Review Agenda – Brian West
3. Next meeting – January 14, 2009
4. Review/Approve minutes from November 12, 2009 meeting – Brian West – Jay Skutt made a motion to approve the notes as written. Andy Anderson seconded and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote.
5. Public Comment - Brian West – None
6. Status update of Current Grants. (Refer to Grant Summary Sheets)
   D. PC FSC 03-1, 05-5, 06-2 & 5, 09-03 – Eastern Plumas HFR – 175 acres - Jerry Hurley – 120 acres have been completed with some pile burning left. Council & RPF will seek opportunities to treat an additional 50 acres.
   E. PC FSC 06-4 & 10 – Little Grass Valley HFR – 111 acres - Jerry Hurley – Remaining slash piles have been burned.
   F. PC FSC 06-6 – La Porte Pines HFR – 75 acres - Jerry Hurley – Treatment completed with a few handpiles needing burning in the fall.
   G. PC FSC 07-2 - La Porte Road HFR – 100 acres – Jerry Hurley – Treatments in progress. 75% completed with 12 acres of biomass & 2 acres of handpiling remaining.
H. PC FSC 07-5 – C Road right-of-way planning – Jerry Hurley – CSD Collected about 70 letters of landowner support of implementing the project. This represents about 70% participation.


J. PC FSC 09-2 & 09-4 – Elderly/Disabled Defensible Space– Jerry Hurley – Began discussions on income levels and match. Information to be collected and discussed in January.

K. PC FSC 07-10 - County Educational Workshops - Jerry Hurley – Now that SNC has released funding project activities will resume in 2010.

L. PC FSC 08-1 - Gold Mtn. HFR - Jerry Hurley – 160 acres have been treated. Treatments are complete and project is closing out.

M. PC FSC 08-2 - PC FSC Council Coordination 2007-2009 – Jerry Hurley – Work continues with FSC coordination activities, meeting with contractors and foresters on fuel reduction projects, assisting PC Planning & Building in obtaining grant funds, sharing of fire safe information and making FSC presentations.

N. PC FSC 08-3 - HFR Project Development –Jerry Hurley – RPF’s working with a number of communities & PC FSC to develop projects for grant applications. RPF’s collecting environmental information needed to prepare THP Exemptions.

O. PC FSC 09-1 - PC FSC Community HFR Planning 2009-2010 – Jerry Hurley – Now that SNC has released funding project activities will resume in 2010. IN combination with N. above.

7. Status update of proposed Grant Proposals. –
   A. Plumas County FSC Coordination -2009 SNC- Pending
   B. PC Planning Dept –FEMA – Application submitted to FEMA, pending decision.
   C. PC FSC Coordination – 2010 - Title III-FSC- Application submitted to PC BoS.
   D. PC Planning Dept – GIS mapping - Title III-FSC - Title III-FSC- Application submitted to PC BoS.
   E. Community HFR - CA FSC – CA FSC proposed to provide some funds to PC FSC for HFR projects. A prior grant request was modified and submitted for 100 acres.

8. 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 – Allan Setzer – PNF has developed a Hazardous Fuel Reduction map showing HFQLG layer, PC FSC and industrial landowner projects with the PC FSC’s communities-at-risk & WUI layer. Expect to see progress in backlog of projects wit Moonlight fire salvage work completed.

9. Implementation of the Plumas County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) – Jerry Hurley – PC Emergency Services Advisory Committee to meet in January to develop strategy for making fire mitigation recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

10. Defensible Space on Public Lands – Larry Craggs – 2009 projects have been completed.

11. Update of local FSC (Almanor Basin & Gold Mtn.) activities – Jerry Hurley – Almanor Basin FSC is moving aggressively to submit their Firewise Application. Graeagle will be making a Firewise application for their Fire Protection District.
New Business

1. Photo interpretation of vegetative changes from Forest lookouts – Ingrid Burke, PNF – Discussed a photo comparison project of vegetation using photos from the 1930’s to present day.

2. Recommendations from Committee to recommend Board Members for those Directors with Terms expiring. (1 Directors & 3 Members) – Brian West – Jerry Hurley to send email to all members soliciting interest in serving on the Board. Members who’s term expires have all said they would be willing to serve again.

Meeting concluded @11:30 am