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### **Plumas County Fire Safe Council Monthly Meeting 2/12/2015**

The Plumas County Fire Safe Council invites you to participate in their regularly scheduled monthly meeting this Thursday, February 12th, 2015 at the Plumas County Planning & Building Services office, located at 555 Main Street in Quincy, the meeting is planned from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. The Council meets on the second Thursday of each month.

Information will be presented on existing wildfire mitigation projects, implementation of the Plumas County Community Wildfire Protection Plan and efforts that are under way to expand the Council's current programs.

As the days grow longer and the temperatures begin to climb this is a good time to go about cleaning up the fallen needles, limbs and other forest debris on your property. These actions are the first steps to creating and maintaining your Defensible Space. The creation and maintenance of Defensible Space around your home is the most important thing you can do to protect your home from being destroyed by a wildfire.

If you plan on burning yard debris please use extreme caution as our forests are very dry. For more information about burning rules and tips, contact the Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District (<http://www.myairdistrict.com/open-burning>) or give them a call at (530) 274-9360. For more information about burn permits or to determine if you need to obtain a permit before you burn, contact your local Forest Service office: Plumas National Forest 283-2050; Lassen National Forest 257-2151; Tahoe National Forest 994-3401. Additionally you can call CAL FIRE 257-4171.

The Plumas County Fire Safe Council is a coalition of citizens, businesses and representatives from local, state, and federal government agencies that share a common interest in preventing the loss of life while minimizing the loss of property from wildland fires. The mission of the Fire Safe Council is: ***"To reduce the loss of natural and human made resources caused by wildfire through Firewise Community programs and pre-fire activities."***