

PRESS RELEASE

Fire Safe Council to meet and Encourages Defensible Space

The Plumas County Fire Safe Council cordially invites citizens to participate in their regularly scheduled monthly meeting to be held on Thursday, February 13, 2014 at the Plumas County Planning & Building Services office, located at 555 Main Street in Quincy, from 9:00 to 11:00 AM.

Information will be presented on existing wildfire mitigation projects, implementation of the Community Wildfire Protection Plan and efforts to expand their current programs. 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.”*** The meeting is open to all interested public.

Fire Safe Council members are encouraging residents to take advantage of this dryer than normal weather to be outdoors and begin to create or maintain their defensible space, as it could come in handy this summer. The resident of the home has the most control over its survival in a wildfire. Research and experience shows that that homes without wood shake roof and at least 30 feet of defensible space have at least a 86% chance of survival, even without anyone present. California residents are required to have 100 feet of defensible space around all structures, or to their property lines. For additional information on defensible space, visit our website at www.plumasfiresafe.org and click on the “Homeowner Information” tab and the “Home Ignition Zone” links.