

Plumas County Fire Safe Council



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Meeting Notes

Thursday April 13, 2006 - 9:00 am.
Plumas County
Planning & Building Services Conference Room
555 Main Street – Quincy, CA

Ed Harrison, Chair (06)
Ron Cross, Vice Chair (06)
John Sheehan, Secretary (06)
Brian West, Treasurer (06)
Andy Anderson (07)
Jim Graham, (07)
Mike De Lasaux, (06)
Jim Hamblin (07)
Frank Stewart (06)
David Hawks (06)
Michael Condon (07)

OLD BUSINESS

1. Welcome & Introductions- Ed Harrison
2. Review Agenda – Ed Harrison
3. Next meeting: **May 11, 2006**
4. Review/Approve minutes from 3/9/06 meeting – Ed Harrison – **Ron Cross made a motion to approve the notes with no changes change. Mike De Lasaux seconded, and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote.**
5. Public Comment - Ed Harrison - **None**
6. Status update of Current Grants. (Refer to Grant Summary Sheet)
 - A. PC FSC 02- 9 – NSAQMD Chipping in lieu of burning –John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report**
 - B. PC FSC 03- 1 – Outreach Delleker/Portola HFR 125 acres - John Sheehan- **Outreach efforts have generated about 175 acres of potential properties to be treated. CAFSC accepted our grant request for 125 acres. Funding will be provided with USFS Community Protection funds. The Remaining 50 acres are being requested to RAC for funding.**
 - C. PC FSC 03- 2 & 3 - Indian Falls HFR 50 acres - John Sheehan – **Project prospectus soliciting bids for 44 acres of hand thing and chip is out. Tour for potential bidders is 4/14/06. Bids are due on 4/21/06.**

- D. PC FSC 03- 6 & 7 - Cromberg HFR 350 acres - John Sheehan – **Presently no activity due to wet soil conditions. 2 properties to finish harvesting. Mastication on 37 acres is complete.**
 - E. PC FSC 03–9 & 04-9 - Graeagle Fuelbreak THP 200 acres – John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report**
 - F. PC FSC 03 –12 & 13 - Elderly/Disabled Defensible Space – John Sheehan – **Outreach to begin soon. Funds available to treat 10-15 more properties.**
 - G. PC FSC 03-16 – 100 acres Hazardous Fuel Reduction –Delleker North - John Sheehan – **Mastication started with 25 acres complete.**
 - H. PC FSC 04-1, 2, & 8 - C Road HFR – John Sheehan – **Presently no activity due to wet soil conditions. Mastication on 16.5 acres is complete. Biomass harvesting activities still remain on some properties.**
 - I. PC FSC 04-3 & 10 - Gold Mountain HFR – John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report**
 - J. PC FSC 04-4 & 12 Canyon Dam HFR– John Sheehan – **Environmental Assessment is out for public comment.**
 - K. PC FSC 04-6 County Stewardship Proposal – John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report**
 - L. PC FSC 04-7 & 11 - Red Clover (Genesee) HFR– John Sheehan – **Work has been progressing. All trees have been cut. Processing of trees will resume when the soils dry out.**
 - M. PC FSC 05-1 - PC FSC Council Coordination – John Sheehan – **Work continues in PC FSC Coordination with Title III funds for this project. PC FSC continues its success in obtaining funds to manage Council activities, fund HFR projects and implement the CWPP. CA FSC will be funding 2 of our 4 requests. County Board of Supervisors has agreed to fund all of our Title III requests. CDF will be funding our HFR request to them. Final application are being prepared for RAC to fund 2 additional HFR projects**
 - N. PC FSC 05-2 & 6 - Whitehawk HFR – John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report**
 - O. PC FSC 05-3 & 7 - Greenhorn HFR– John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report**
 - P. PC FSC 05-4 & 8 - Grizzly Ck. HFR – John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report**
 - Q. PC FSC 05-5 Mohawk Vista HFR Outreach – John Sheehan - **See 6. B.**
7. 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 – Michael Condon – **No Report**
 8. Implementation of the Plumas County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). – Jim Graham **Code change to amend firesafe driveway languages is expected to go to the Board of Supervisors in late May or early June. Council members interested in developing**

implementation items will be meeting at 8:00 AM on May 11, 2006 (just prior to the regular Council meeting.

9. Committee report on recommendations for fuel reduction treatment areas of public lands around communities, beyond HFQLG. – Frank Stewart – **No report**
10. Future Grant projects (La Porte, Little Grass Valley, Mohawk Vista, West Almanor, La Porte Pines, Massack, Publication Development, Council Coordination) – John Sheehan- **CA FSC has accepted West Almanor HFR (11 acres) and 70% (125 acres) of Easter Plumas HFR for funding with USFS Community Protection funds. PC Board of Supervisors has agreed to fund all of our Title III requests pending public comment. CDF has agreed to fund the Massack HFR (160 acres) project with Prop 40 funds. Final applications are being prepared for RAC to fund the remaining 30% of Easter Plumas HFR (50 acres) and Little Grass Valley HFR (111 acres). We are still looking for a funding source for our publications request.**
11. Election of PC FSC Treasurer– Ed Harrison – **John Sheehan made a motion to elect Brian Wet as Treasurer. Ron Cross seconded and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote**

NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval of Resolution to enter into HFR contract for Prop 40 funds with CDF – David Hawks – **CDF requires a Board Resolution to approve entering into a contract with the State to fund the Massack HFR project. David read the resolution. John Sheehan made a motion to approve the resolution. Ed Harrison seconded and the motion was carried by a majority vote. CDF personnel abstained. A roll call of Board members occurred with all voting in favor of the resolution except for 1 abstention.**
2. Gold Mountain CSD request for chipping funds in lieu of burning. – Craig Simmons – **Gold Mtn. CSD provided a letter requesting funds for their community chipping project, where they chip green waste material generated from the creation of defensible space. This chipping is in lieu of burning. Some members had questions on who would do the work and requested that contract estimates also be provided. This item was tabled until the May meeting.**
3. Presentation on Property Hazard Mapping - Zeke Lunder – North Tree Fire- **Zeke provided an informational PowerPoint presentation on the hazardous fuel assessment that was done 2 years ago in Plumas County. He also showed a community in El Dorado County where a subdivision was assessed for fire hazard and how mapping occurred.**
4. USFS land sales comment – Bruce Livingston – **Bruce was asking the PC FSC to comment on the USFS proposal to sell public lands to fund the Secure Rural Schools and community Self Determination Act. Discussions focused on the appropriateness of the Council, a 501 c. organization, making comment on pending legislation. No motion was made and no action was taken.**