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Plumas County Fire Safe Council Meeting 5/8/08 to Host Speaker

The Plumas County Fire Safe Council (PC FSC) cordially invites citizens to participate in their regularly scheduled monthly meeting to be held on Thursday, May 8, 2008 at the Plumas County Planning & Building Services office, from 9:00 to 11:00 AM. The Planning & Building Services office is located at 555 Main Street in Quincy.

Calli-Jane Burch, Executive Director of the Butte County Fire Safe Council, will provide a presentation. She will discuss findings from her master’s project of northern California Fire Safe Councils, titled "Geographic Content of Fire Safe Education Materials", from California State University Chico. Information will include the wildfire safety topics northern California fire safe councils are addressing and best practices recommendations for creating education materials.

The Council will also be discussing progress on wildfire mitigation grants to provide county residents with wildfire education, fire planning, and hazardous fuel reduction, which work towards implementation of the Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

Brian West, Chair of Plumas County Fire Safe Council, wants to remind citizens that the week of May 4-10 is California Wildfire Awareness Week. He is encouraging Plumas County residents to create their defensible space and make their homes Fire Safe.

Brian wants to invite interested residents in the County to become a member of the Council and work towards preventing the loss of life and minimizing loss of property from wildland fires. The Plumas County Fire Safe Council is a coalition of citizens, businesses and representatives from local, state, and federal government agencies. The mission of the Fire Safe Council is: “To reduce the loss of natural and manmade resources caused by wildfire through pre-fire activities.”

Everyone in Plumas County is welcome to become a member of the Council. To further participation, PC FSC is complying with the American Disabilities Act (ADA) by making every reasonable attempt to accommodate any attendee or participant at our meetings needing special assistance beyond what is normally provided. Please contact the John Sheehan at 530-283-3739 at least 5 business days prior to a scheduled meeting to inform us of your particular needs and to determine if accommodation is feasible.

For more information on the Fire Safe Council, Defensible Space, or Plumas County’s Community Wildfire Protection Plan, visit our website at www.plumasfiresafe.org.