

Plumas County Fire Safe Council



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Meeting Notes

Thursday June 12, 2008 - 9:00 am.

Plumas County

Planning & Building Services Conference Room

555 Main Street – Quincy, CA

Board of Directors

Brian West, Chair (08)

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Jay Skutt (10)

Mission Statement:

“To reduce the loss of natural and manmade resources caused by wildfire through pre-fire

OLD BUSINESS

1. Welcome & Introductions- Brian West
2. Review Agenda – Brian West
3. Next meeting –July 10, 2008
4. Review/Approve minutes from May 8, 2007 meeting – Brian West – **Phil Noia made a motion to approve the notes as presented. Claude Sanders 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)
 - A. PC FSC 02- 9 – NS AQMD Chipping in lieu of burning –John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report.**
 - B. PC FSC 04-4 & 12 - Canyon Dam HFR - 900 acres– John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report.**
 - C. PC FSC 04-6 - County Stewardship Proposal – John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report.**
 - D. PC FSC 05-3, 7, & 07-8 - Greenhorn HFR 30 acres – John Sheehan – **Contracted with Clint Pearson- Wildland fuels. Work will begin in September.**
 - E. PC FSC 05-4,8 & 08-4 Grizzly Ck. HFR- 128 acres – John Sheehan – **Received word from SNC that additional funding to finish treating 10 acres was approved by SNC Board.**

- F. PC FSC 03-1, 05-5, 06-2 & 5 – Eastern Plumas HFR – 175 acres - John Sheehan – **Have just entered into a contract with North Valley Resources to perform as RPF for completing the project.**
- G. PC FSC 06-3 & 9 – Massack HFR – 160 acres -John Sheehan – **Project is completed.**
- H. PC FSC 06-4 & 10 – Little Grass Valley HFR – 111 acres - John Sheehan - **Nothing New to Report.**
- I. PC FSC 06-6 – La Porte Pines HFR – 75 acres - John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report.**
- J. PC FSC 07-1 & 4 - Indian Valley HFR-200 acres – John Sheehan – **RPF is working with landowners, developing project treatments, and economics. There is presently 180 acres of participating landowners.**
- K. PC FSC 07-2 - La Porte Road HFR – 100 acres – John Sheehan – **RPF has completed work and revision of landowner agreements to firm up cash in-kind needs, so there are sufficient funds to move forward.**
- L. PC FSC 07-4 - PC FSC Council Coordination 2007-2009 – John Sheehan – **Work continues with providing presentations at homeowner association meetings, purchasing materials for community meetings, creating a Fire Safe Tabloid in the County paper, website updates, sharing of firesafe information, revising grant proposals for funding, and assisting in other existing grant activities.**
- M. PC FSC 07-5 – C Road right-of-way planning – John Sheehan – **RPF still working with landowners on property boundaries.**
- N. PC FSC 07-6 – Taylorsville HFR – 30 acres – John Sheehan – **Contractor has completed 17 acres of thinning & piling.**
- O. PC FSC 07-7 - C Road HFR – 40 acres – John Sheehan – **Mastication, thinning & piling completed. Some burning remains in the fall.**
- P. PC FSC 07-9 – Elderly/Disabled Defensible Space – John Sheehan – **Awaiting contract with PNF.**
- Q. PC FSC 07-10 County Educational Workshops – SNC - John Sheehan – **Providing community presentations on how to protect homes and property from wildfire. Work is almost complete on the Living with Fire Tabloid to come out in the newspaper on June 25th.**
- R. PC FSC 08- 1 - Gold Mtn. HFR John Sheehan – **Negotiating contract with CA FSC. They have requested the match be increased to equal 25%. Making the appropriate modifications of the grant application.**
- S. PC FSC 08- 3 - HFR Project Development –John Sheehan – **Awaiting funds**

7. Status update of proposed Grant Proposals- John Sheehan – **None at this time**

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 – **"Sabrina Stadler, Beckwourth RD, presented projects that the district is working on and focused on the Jackson Project. There was extensive input and discussion from Council memebers on the project."**
9. Implementation of the Plumas County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) – Jim Graham – **PC Emergency Services Feasibility will be meting to work further on County Fire Improvement Standards which incorporate many of the recommendations in our CWPP.**
10. Defensible Space on Public Lands – Larry Craggs – **Nothing New to Report**
11. Secure Rural Schools Funding – Frank Stewart - **Nothing New to Report**
12. CA FSC legislative issues – Frank Stewart - **Nothing New to Report**
13. Update of local FSC (Almanor Basin & Gold Mtn.) activity. – Jerry Hurley –
Almanor Basin is making plans for the 4th of July activities & a Fire Safe Booth.
Gold Mountain is working with the Beckwourth District to see if there is potential for them to treat adjacent public lands on the south and east of the subdivision. They are continuing to provide HIZ consultations & chipping.
Graeagle Fire Protection District and Valley Ranch are exploring the feasibility of forming a council. Following the HIZ workshop, they have begun to provide HIZ consultations.

NEW BUSINESS

1. HFR Cost contribution by participating landowners – John Sheehan - **A working group will meet after the business meeting to discuss.**
2. Future projects - John Sheehan – **There are a number of areas where HFR projects are being considered for future grants. They include: 1) Genesee Valley (Walking G Ranch), 2) north of the Highway 89 grade in Indian Valley, 3) Heart K Ranch in Genesee Valley, and 4) behind Safeway in the Quincy. There continues to be interest from additional landowners on the La Porte Road, and C-Road.**

The meeting concluded at 11:35 am