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Plumas County Fire Safe Council Meeting 9/8/11

The Plumas County Fire Safe Council’s (PC FSC) regularly scheduled monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, September 8, 2011 at the Plumas County Planning & Building Services office, located at 555 Main Street in Quincy, from 9:00 to 11:00 AM.

At the September meeting the Council will be discussing progress towards current wildfire mitigation projects and review efforts of the Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

Council members want to remind residents that most homes burn in a wildfire from raining embers. Rain gutters attached to the edge of your roof are the perfect contraptions for catching embers during wildfire. Burning embers can land in the gutters and if they are filled with dried leaves, pine needles, and twigs, a fire can start and possibly ignite the roof, roof sheathing, and fascia. Even houses with fire rated roofs are vulnerable to this type of ember attack. To keep your home safe, we suggest that you check your rain gutters throughout the fire season, cleaning them out as necessary.

The Plumas County Fire Safe Council invites residents with an interest in preventing and mitigating impacts from wildland fires, to their homes or communities, to become members. The Council is a coalition of citizens, businesses, fire departments, and representatives of local, state and federal government agencies. The mission of the Council is: “To reduce the loss of natural and manmade resources caused by wildfire through Firewise Community programs and pre-fire activities.”

For additional information on Council activities, Defensible Space, and fire activity in the state visit our website at www.plumasfiresafe.org.