

Plumas County Fire Safe Council



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Meeting Notes

Meeting August 11, 2004 9:00 am.
Quincy Fire Department

OLD BUSINESS

1. Welcome & Introductions- Mike De Lasaux
2. Review Agenda – Mike De Lasaux
3. Next meeting: **September 8, 2004**
4. Review/Approve minutes from 7/11/04 meeting - **Richard Cox made a motion to approve the notes, Chuck Thayer seconded, and the motion was carried by a unanimous vote.**
5. Status update of Current Grants. (Refer to Grant Summary Sheet)
 - A. PC FSC 01-1— Homeowner Consultation & Education-Mike De Lasaux – **Mike turned in the final documentation to the PNF. This should close out this project.**
 - B. PC FSC 02-1 & 02-2 - 100 Acre HFR Demonstration– Brian Wayland – **Brian Wayland, project RPF reported that the signage was complete. There were discussions on chipping the Marshall Property. More agreements were being developed for Chandler Road properties. The contract with the PNF has been modified to extend the time and adjust the acres.**
 - C. PC FSC. 02- 5 - HFR Assessment & Strategy – John Sheehan- **We are expecting delivery of the final draft of the project this afternoon. The contractor is working on the presentation for the Board of Supervisors.**
 - D. PC FSC. 02- 7 & 8 - Plumas Eureka HFR –John Gay – **Cutting and piling has been completed. The piles will be burned when favorable weather occurs in the fall.**
 - E. PC FSC. 02- 9 – NSAQMD Chipping in lieu of burning –John Sheehan – **Nothing new to report.**
 - F. PC FSC. 03- 1 – Outreach Delleker/Portola HFR 125 acres - John Sheehan- **Nothing new to report.**

- G. PC FSC. 03- 2 & 3 - Indian Falls HFR 50 acres - John Sheehan – **Nothing new to report.**
- H. PC FSC. 03- 4 & 5 - Camp Layman HFR 50 acres- John Gay – **Work is progressing well. Expect completion in the fall.**
- I. PC FSC. 03- 6 & 7 - Cromberg HFR 350 acres - John Sheehan – **Brian Wayland, project RPF, have signed agreements with 12 property owners for 160 acres. Prescriptions are being developed and expect the remainder of agreements this week. Brian hopes to use the emergency exemption but there is a timeframe concern. It does not appear that the 120 day timeframe is being applied to each permit, but is the maximum time for all projects since the exemption was signed, which leave about 75 days.**
- J. PC FSC 03 – 8 & 14 - Project Development, and Coordination - John Sheehan – **Steve Windward, RPF is working with the Whitehawk Homeowners Association on a HFR project, of about 120 acres, they proposed for assistance in funding.**
- K. PC FSC 03 – 9 - Graeagle Fuelbreak THP 200 acres – John Sheehan – **Planning work is waiting on funding from PNF of the proposed RAC project. Expect it to be funded after the federal fiscal year change.**
- L. PC FSC 03- 10 & 11 - Quincy CSD HFR 17 acres – John Sheehan – **Nothing new to report.**
- M. PCFSC 03 – 12 & 13 - Elderly/Disabled Defensible Space – John Sheehan – **Continuing outreach for candidate properties. There was discussion of whether or not the set income levels were a deterrent to more participation. At the next meeting a project summary of costs and income was requested for the completed parcels. ACTION ITEM FOR SEPT. MEETING**
- N. PCFSC 03-15 - FSC Coordination –CY03 – John Sheehan - **The Website is being expanded to include more information on Hazardous Fuel Reduction, and Project Success Stories. The Council has been contacted by 3 more landowners regarding HFR projects. They have been asked to contact their adjacent neighbors to help develop community projects. Work is continuing on the Community Fire Plan. Jerry will be making a presentation, on developing mitigation measures, at the State Fire Planning Workshop for Northern California.**
- O. PCFSC 03-16 – 50 acres Hazardous Fuel Reduction –Delleker North - John Sheehan – **Several Council members visited the site of the proposed project expansion, from 50 to 350 acres, on 8/9/04. Efforts are continuing with PNF and the landowner on this proposal. Brian Wayland, project RPF, plans to use the emergency exemption on this project. He will use an expedited solicitation for bids by phone & letter.**
- P. PCFSC 03-17 - FSC Coordination CY04 – John Sheehan – **John expect to begin using these funds as soon as the funds in project PCFSC 03-15 (03 Coordination) are exhausted.**
- Q. PCFSC 04-1, 2, & 8 - C Road HFR – John Sheehan – **Brian Wayland, project RPF, expect to begin working with landowners in the next 2-3 weeks. Three additional property owners have requested to participate.**

- R. PCFSC 04-3 Gold Mountain HFR Planning – John Sheehan – **Planning work is waiting on funding from PNF of the proposed RAC project. Expect it to be funded after the federal fiscal year change.**
- S. PCFSC 04-4 Canyon Dam HFR Planning – John Sheehan – **Planning work has started. This project is expected to be funded from PNF with Title II as a proposed RAC project. Expect it to be funded after the federal fiscal year change.**
- T. PCFSC 04-5 Countywide GIS Phase II – John Sheehan – **Dennis Miller reported that integration of general plan information is being added to the seamless parcel data map. He is working on getting the maps on to a public accessible internet server.**
- U. PCFSC 04-6 County Stewardship Proposal – John Sheehan – **PNF hasn't provided any additional possible projects to consider for stewardship contracting. There was discussion of looking at Goat Hill as a FS DFPZ demonstration project near Quincy.**
- V. PCFSC 04-7 Red Clover (Genesee) HFR Planning – John Sheehan – **Planning work is waiting on funding from PNF of the proposed RAC project. Expect it to be funded after the federal fiscal year change.**

6. Grants Submitted & Planned –

- A. 04 RAC-01 – Graeagle HFR - John Sheehan – **See Item 5.K.**
- B. 04 RAC-02– Gold Mountain HFR - John Sheehan - **See Item 5.R.**
- C. 04 RAC-03 – Red Clover Ck. Estates (Genesee) - John Sheehan - **See Item 5.V.**
- D. 04 RAC-04 – Canyon Dam HFR - John Sheehan - **See Item 5.S.**

- 7. HFQLG –HFR project overview/relation to communities Opportunities - Project mapping integration involving US FS, CDF and Fire Safe Council - PNF's fuel reduction out year program of work - John Gay. – **Nothing new to report.**
- 8. Discussion of content of the Plumas County Community Wildland Fire Plan. – Jerry Hurley – **The Core planning group met after the last meeting and continued to refine the plan format and list possible mitigation measures. They will meet again after this meeting to look at the latest draft version, including hazard assessment information provided by Wildland Rx.**

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Board Member Status & Recruitment – Mike De Lasaux – **Mike asked Ron Cross to work with David Hawks and contact Board Members up for term to see if they have an interest in continuing as Board Members and solicit replacements.**
- 2. Fire District Consolidation and LAFCO – John Sheehan – **Mike handed out a letter addressed to County Fire Chiefs on participating in discussion on fire district consolidation. This item will be carried over for discussion next month.**
- 3. Fire Pre-Planning – Chuck Thayer – **Chuck discussed the need for pre-fire planning of residences and the need for it. He asked for ideas on how to collect the information and how to finance it. Mike De Lasaux agreed to work with Chuck on developing this project.**

4. Prop 40 Funds – Frank Stewart - **Frank discussed Prop 40 funding that CDF was getting for reducing hazardous fuels on private lands. CDF is exploring the best way to expend those funds. There may be an opportunity to offer CDF input on this.**
5. Structure Protection Gels – Bruce Livingston – **Bruce requested information on structure protection gels to protect older building. John Gay said he would provide information to Bruce.**

The Meeting Concluded at 1115 AM.