

Plumas County Fire Safe Council



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Meeting Notes

**Meeting September 8, 2004 9:00 am.
Quincy Fire Department**

OLD BUSINESS

1. Welcome & Introductions- Mike De Lasaux
2. Review Agenda – Mike De Lasaux
3. Next meeting: **October 13, 2004**
4. Review/Approve minutes from 8/11/04 meeting - **Chuck Thayer made a motion to approve the notes, John Gay 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 – **Plumas NF notified us that this project has been successfully closed out. It will be dropped from the agenda.**
 - B. PC FSC 02-1 & 02-2 - 100 Acre HFR Demonstration– Brian Wayland – **Brian, the project RPF reported that chipping of the Marshall Property will occur. The Hayes property is out to bid and bids are being developed for the Bell/Jennings property. The contract with the PNF has been extend and the acres adjusted to 68.**
 - C. PC FSC 02- 5 - HFR Assessment & Strategy – John Sheehan- **Project outputs were delivered at the end of last months meetings and are being reviewed by the planning team that developed the Request for Proposals.**
 - D. PC FSC 02- 7 & 8 - Plumas Eureka HFR –John Gay – **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 - **\$1,000 of these funds have been committed to chipping on the Marshall property that is part of the demonstration project. Agenda item 5.B.**
 - 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 – **Now that tourist are gone from the resort, work will resume.**
 - I. PC FSC 03- 6 & 7 - Cromberg HFR 350 acres - John Sheehan – **Brian Wayland, project RPF, has signed agreements with 13 property owners for 160+ acres. Prescriptions are being developed and expect the remainder of agreements this week. Brian plans to use the new 1220 day emergency exemption. Additional property owners and acreage is being sought. Brian expects to get the CEQA & NEPA signed this week.**
 - J. PC FSC 03 – 8 & 14 - Project Development, and Coordination - John Sheehan – **Steve Windward, a forester retained to collect plot data and develop information for seeking of grants submitted his report last week. It will be used to develop a funding request at the next opportunity.**
 - K. PC FSC 03 – 9 - Graeagle Fuelbreak THP 200 acres – John Sheehan – **Planning work has been waiting on funding from PNF of the proposed RAC project. Jim Pena, Plumas National Forest Supervisor issued the project award letter this week. Preparation of environmental documents should begin this fall.**
 - L. PC FSC 03- 10 & 11 - Quincy CSD HFR 17 acres – John Sheehan – **Dan Howell, project forester, submitted the CEQA/NEPA information last week and will be putting the project out to bid.**
 - M. PCFSC 03 – 12 & 13 - Elderly/Disabled Defensible Space – John Sheehan – **A project summary of costs and income was provided for the completed parcels. 27 properties have been completed, 1 is out to bid, and 24 were evaluated, but no work was needed, planned or the residents weren't eligible.**
- Discussion continued on how to find additional clients. Dick Kielhorn, project coordinator, and John Sheehan will get with the Director of Plumas County Health Services to explore outreach opportunities. Dick will also work with John & Jerry Hurley to pursue future funding for this activity from the insurance industry.**
- N. PCFSC 03-15 - FSC Coordination –CY03 – John Sheehan- **Project funds have been expended and project outputs completed. A Final Report will be sent to the Sacramento Regional Foundation and BLM. This item will be dropped from the agenda.**
 - O. PCFSC 03-16 – 50 acres Hazardous Fuel Reduction –Delleker North - John Sheehan – **Brian Wayland, project RPF, reported that the PNF has extended this project and adjusted the acres up to 60. Brian has submitted the NEPA to the PNF. He is using the emergency exemption on this project. He has one bid and is awaiting others.**

- P. PCFSC 03-17 - FSC Coordination CY04 – John Sheehan – **Jerry Hurley continues to work as Council Coordinator. Efforts are continuing on updating our website.**

On Tuesday, September 7, Dale Geldert, the newly appointed Director of CDF came to view PC FSC and QLG projects at the invitation of FSC members. After meeting with the County Board of Supervisor, the CDF contingent along with FSC members and Jim Pena, PNF Supervisor visited a number of projects. Discussions include the need for HFR, process and funding of future fuel reduction efforts.

- Q. PCFSC 04-1, 2, & 8 - C Road HFR – John Sheehan – **Brian Wayland, project forester, reported that he will begin working on this project as soon as CEQA/NEPA and THP's are completed for Delleker North & Long Valley.**
- R. PCFSC 04-3 Gold Mountain HFR Planning – John Sheehan – **Planning work has been waiting on funding from PNF of the proposed RAC project. Jim Pena, Plumas National Forest Supervisor issued the project award letter this week. Preparation of environmental documents should begin this fall.**
- S. PCFSC 04-4 Canyon Dam HFR Planning – John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report.**
- T. PCFSC 04-5 Countywide GIS Phase II – John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report.**
- U. PCFSC 04-6 County Stewardship Proposal – John Sheehan – **Nothing New to Report.**
- V. PCFSC 04-7 Red Clover (Genesee) HFR Planning – John Sheehan – **Planning work has been waiting on funding from PNF of the proposed RAC project. Jim Pena, Plumas National Forest Supervisor issued the project award letter this week. Preparation of environmental documents should begin this fall.**

6. Grants Pending Award –

- A. 04 RAC-01 – Graeagle HFR - John Sheehan - **Jim Pena, Plumas National Forest Supervisor issued the project award letter this week**
- B. 04 RAC-02– Gold Mountain HFR - John Sheehan **Jim Pena, Plumas National Forest Supervisor issued the project award letter this week**
- C. 04 RAC-03 – Red Clover Ck. Estates (Genesee) - John Sheehan - **Jim Pena, Plumas National Forest Supervisor issued the project award letter this week**
- D. 04 RAC-04 – Canyon Dam HFR - John Sheehan - **Jim Pena, Plumas National Forest Supervisor approved funding of the project this week**

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 – **Jerry discussed progress on the plan, an invitation to the Board of Supervisors to participate in mitigation measures, and announced that the core team will meet at 12:30 PM following this meeting to make edits and refine the plan.**

9. Board member status/recruitment – David Hawks & Ron Cross – **Ron reported that all Board members whose term is expiring at the end of the year are willing to continue serving on the Board if nominated and selected.**
10. Fire District Consolidation and LAFCO – John Sheehan – **John briefly discussed LAFCO’s presentation to the Board of Supervisors on this issue at an August Board Meeting. It appears that the Council has no role in this process.**
11. Fire Pre-Planning – Chuck Thayer –**The pilot project has been started in Sierra Valley. Chuck will bring copies of some preliminary information to the October meeting.**

NEW BUSINESS - NONE

The Meeting Adjourned @ 10:20 AM