

PRESS RELEASE

Plumas County Fire Safe Council Meeting 10/8/03

The Plumas County Fire Safe Council cordially invites citizens to participate in their regularly scheduled monthly meeting. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 8, 2003 at the Quincy Fire Department, upstairs meeting room, from 9:00 to 12:00 AM.

At the October meeting, the Council will be discussing: progress on grants to provide County residents with wildfire education, fire planning and hazardous fuel reduction. A number of opportunities currently exist for County residents to be more aware of what they can do to reduce property loss to wild fire. The Council is offering programs in community education, homeowner consultations, hazardous fuel reduction and creation of defensible space assistance for qualifying elderly and disabled residents.

The Plumas County Fire Safe Council is a coalition of citizens, businesses and representatives from local, state, and federal government agencies, which share a common interest in preventing loss of life and minimizing loss of property from wildland fires. Plumas County's Council is becoming one of the more active councils in California. 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.

Each year as homes threatened and lost to wildfire, the Plumas County Fire Safe Council wants to remind citizens that their actions, or lack of, can make the difference on whether or not their home is among those lost. We have been fortunate, but we need to continue taking appropriate actions to prevent catastrophic losses in the future. It is not a question of if, but of when, a wildland fire will again threaten lives and property in Plumas County.

For more information on the Fire Safe Council, visit our website at www.plumasfiresafe.org