

PRESS RELEASE

Plumas County Fire Safe Council Meeting 1/8/03

The Plumas County Fire Safe Council cordially invites interested citizens to participate in their regularly scheduled monthly meeting. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 8, 2003 at St. John's Parish hall on Lawrence Street, in Quincy, across from the Plumas NF Supervisors Office, from 9:00 to 11:00 AM.

At the January meeting, the Council will be discussing: a) progress on current efforts to educate residents, and assist communities in their efforts to lessen the threats from wildfire, and b) progress on grant requests by the Council to assist county residents with wildfire education, and hazardous fuel reduction.

Some current efforts include 1) continuing a homeowner "Firewise" consultation project in six more county communities this year; 2) a hazardous fuel reduction demonstration project across the county at five different locations; and 3) a countywide wildland fuel assessment and strategy plan. These projects were funded with National Fire Plan grants from the US Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management.

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