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Plumas County Fire Safe Council Meeting 7/13/17

With the Chips Fire scar still visible from their homes, residents on the East Shore of Lake Almanor are taking action to create a more fire resilient landscape around their community. The Plumas County Fire Safe Council is providing assistance, with a grant from the US Forest Service, to help landowners reduce dense vegetation on their properties. The project aims to thin small diameter trees and understory plants to decrease the continuity of fuels that wildfires consume to spread across the landscape – a threat to homes in the Wildland Urban Interface.

The East Shore project has been a 5 year effort that has included outreach to landowners, project layout, and environmental analysis and review. Currently the Fire Safe Council is soliciting proposals from contractors to complete treatment on the 10 acre project. Wildfire hazard reduction will be realized for East Shore residents by September, when the project finally meets completion.

Interested parties can learn more about the East Shore project and other fire-safe initiatives at the next meeting of the Plumas County Fire Safe Council on Thursday, July 13th, 2017 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am at the Plumas County Planning & Building Services office, 555 Main Street in Quincy. Council meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month and are attended by citizens, business owners, and representatives from local, state, and federal government agencies, who share a common interest in preventing loss of life and minimizing loss of property from wildland fires.

For more information about the Plumas County Fire Safe Council or the upcoming meeting, visit plumasfiresafe.org or contact Hannah at 283-3739.