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Plumas County Fire Safe Council Meeting 9/8/16

Plumas County Fire Safe Council has just been awarded two grants to meet the organization's mission of: "reducing the loss of natural and human made resources caused by wildfire through Firewise Community programs and pre-fire activities."

The Beckworth District of the Plumas National Forest has awarded the Fire Safe Council funds to complete a Hazardous Fuel Reduction project in the community of Mohawk Vista. The goal of the project is to create a fire resilient landscape around homes by removing "ladder fuels" and reducing vegetation continuity. The Council will be working directly with landowners to design a project that addresses the current risk to their community.

Additionally, The California Fire Safe Council has awarded funds to The Council's ongoing Senior & Disabled Defensible Space program. Through this program residents who cannot maintain a fire safe "defensible space" around their home are provided with subsidized clearing and removal of fuels. To apply for assistance through this program, visit plumasfiresafe.org or call Mike McCourt at 283-0829.

If you are interested in learning more about these projects, or other efforts of the local Fire Safe Council, we invite you to participate in the upcoming meeting on Thursday, September 8th, 2016 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am at the Plumas County Planning & Building Services office, 555 Main Street in Quincy. Plumas County Fire Safe 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 questions regarding activities of the Plumas County Fire Safe Council, or for information about the upcoming meeting, contact Hannah at 283-3739.