



# El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

515 Main Street Ste. 103 • Placerville, CA 95667

Email: [clerk@edcfiresafe.org](mailto:clerk@edcfiresafe.org) • Main Office: (530) 647-1700

---

## Board Meeting Agenda October 21, 2026 9:30 am to 12:00 pm American Legion Hall 4561 Greenstone Road, Placerville

1. Meeting Call to Order
2. Roll Call: Sign In
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Consent Calendar **Board Action Item**
  - Meeting Agenda: 10/21/2026
  - Board Meeting Minutes: 9/16/2026
5. New Business
  - Strategic Plan - Paul
6. Old Business
  - a. EDCFSC has moved 344 Placerville Dr Suite 17 – Angel
  - b. El Dorado Ready - Paul
  - c. Social and Community Events - Paul
7. Executive Board Reports:
  - Chairman's Report & Communication: Bob Hess
  - Vice-Chair Report: Dorothy Fine
  - Parliamentary Report: Paul Penn
  - Secretary Report: Angel Ball
    - Governance and AFSC applications
  - Treasurers Report: Bill Rice
    - Audit 2024-2025- **Board Action Item**
    - Treasurer Report 06/30/2026, 7/31/2026, 8/31/2026 & 9/30/2026- **Board Action Item**



# El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

515 Main Street Ste. 103 • Placerville, CA 95667

Email: [clerk@edcfiresafe.org](mailto:clerk@edcfiresafe.org) • Main Office: (530) 647-1700

---

## 8. Partners Reports:

- **BLM:** TBA
- **CAL FIRE:** Jeff Hoag/Brian Pooley
- **Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience:** Tanya Harlow
- **EDC Fire Chiefs Association:** TBA
- **EDC FPO Association:** Casey Ransdell
- **ENF:** Brad Stewart
- **RCD:** Courtney Jackson
- **SMUD:** Eric Brown
- **PG&E:** Mike Webb
- **EDSO:** Lt. Blake Braafladt/Ryan Bennett
- **BOR:** Zarela Guerrero/John Hutchings
- **PBA:** Morgan Galliano

## 9. Program Reports:

- **Grants & Funding/Grants Committee:** Tamara Johnston
  - Update on EDCFSC Grant Applications
- **Assistance Programs:** Jessica Isabel
  - Programs report
  - [programs@edcfiresafe.org](mailto:programs@edcfiresafe.org)
- **Training Committee:** Elizabeth Standeven
  - [training@edcfiresafe.org](mailto:training@edcfiresafe.org)
  - Home Assessor meeting Zoom October 28, 6pm
- **Outreach & Education:** Dorothy Fine

## 10. Community Council Reports

## 11. Public Comment – *Time limit is 3 minutes per person.*

## 12. Good of the Order

- a. **Brown Bag "Burning is a great tool for neighbors who are working together on wildfire adaptation." Presented by Morgan Galliano El Dorado-Amador PBA Coordinator funded by Forest Resource Collaborative**
- b. Next EDCFSC Board Meeting – November 18, 2026

## 13. Adjourn



# El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

515 Main Street Ste. 103 • Placerville, CA 95667

Email: [clerk@edcfiresafe.org](mailto:clerk@edcfiresafe.org) • Main Office: (530) 647-1700

---

## Board Meeting Minutes-DRAFT September 16, 2026 9:30 am to 12:00 pm American Legion 4561 Greenstone Road, Placerville

### 1. Meeting Call to Order

9:32am

### 2. Roll Call: Sign In

In Person: Hess, Fine, A. Ball, Rice, Penn, Connelly, Jackson, Johnston, Lory, Rogers, Pullin, Zelinsky, Boal, Standeven, Langan, G. Ball

### 3. Pledge of Allegiance

Bob Hess

### 4. Consent Calendar Board Action Item

- a. Meeting Agenda: 09/16/2026
- b. Board Meeting Minutes: 8/19/2026

Ken Rogers motioned to approve Greg Ball 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Consent Calendar approved with no opposition.

### 5. New Business

**Executive Coordinator:** Bob shared E Board is working on job description and will be posting the position soon. Also, he plans to attend AFSC meetings.

### 6. Old Business

- a. New office 344 Placerville Dr Suite 17 – Angel Ball

Landlord should be finished with renovations by October 1st. We will send email to ask for volunteers to help, Jessica acquired office furniture from the Miwok Indian tribe she belongs to. Ryan from OES has offered furniture as well. We will plan an open house and Bob Hess would like to see more people attend our E-Board meetings. Our new conference room will accommodate more people.



# El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

515 Main Street Ste. 103 • Placerville, CA 95667

Email: [clerk@edcfiresafe.org](mailto:clerk@edcfiresafe.org) • Main Office: (530) 647-1700

---

b. El Dorado Ready – Paul Penn

Yard signs and posters are in the back for the Measure S election coming up. Charlie Downs and Paul Penn can come to FSC meetings to educate/answer questions on Measure S

c. Social and Community Events – Paul Penn

We will be planning an open house at the new office after everyone has settled in from the move. There will also be an end of the year social planned as well.

## 7. Executive Board Reports:

a. **Chairman's Report & Communication:** Bob Hess

b. **Vice-Chair Report:** Dorothy Fine

Automation is complete for our assistance programs. Jessica can run reports from this program. We have 40 block hours to use for tech support and training. Firewise reports will be printed for each AFSC from Jessica. The AFSCs will have to provide that information to their Firewise communities. Jessica explained how the reports are generated and what will be on them.

c. **Parliamentarian Report:** Paul Penn

Recognized the passing of George Osborne who was very instrumental in some of the original groundwork of the EDCFSC.

d. **Secretary Report:** Angel Ball

- Governance and New Council Formation

Next E-board meeting at 515 Main St. on Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup> at 9:00am. Noted the brown bag presenters for next couple meetings. A couple of councils are reorganizing with more information later. Blackstone will become part of El Dorado Hills South in the next couple months.

e. **Treasurers Report:** Bill Rice



# El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

515 Main Street Ste. 103 • Placerville, CA 95667

Email: [clerk@edcfiresafe.org](mailto:clerk@edcfiresafe.org) • Main Office: (530) 647-1700

---

- Treasurer Report 06/30/2026, 7/31/2026 & 8/31/2026- **Board Action Item**

FY 25 audit is complete. Treasurer has FY 26 profit & loss statements for this year and mentioned a few AFSCs that did well. Went over the operations budget, reimbursement process and how to better the P & L process. Best way to contact the treasurer is via email.

## 8. Partners Reports:

- a. **BLM:** TBA

No Report

- b. **CAL FIRE:** Jeff Hoag/Brian Pooley

No Report

- c. **Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience:** Tanya Harlow

Gave updates on the following: Wildfire County Coordinator program and SB 973. November 20th Firewise reports are due.

Getting caught up on GIS map requests due to more staff being hired.

Weber Creek project inspections are going as well.

OWPR has done almost 2000 defensible space inspections through the end of this month.

Defensible space working group noted that Zone 0 is not an ordinance being regulated; it is currently for informational purposes as to what homeowners should do.

Building frameworks for insurance pilot. Tanya spoke at the WUI Symposium in Orange County and noted how we are leading the way in Firewise and outreach. Explained where they are sending their inspectors and where CAL FIRE will be as well. Hope to get 30k inspections done in next 2 years.

- d. **EDC Fire Chiefs Association:** TBA

No Report

- e. **EDC FPO Association:** Casey Ransdell

No Report

- f. **ENF:** Brad Stewart

No Report



# El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

515 Main Street Ste. 103 • Placerville, CA 95667

Email: [clerk@edcfiresafe.org](mailto:clerk@edcfiresafe.org) • Main Office: (530) 647-1700

---

g. **RCD:** Courtney Jackson

No Report

h. **SMUD:** Eric Brown

No Report

i. **PG&E:** Mike Webb

No Report

j. **EDSO:** Lt. Ryan Bennet/Brian Harris OES

Brian Harris OES explained El Nino prep for winter. They are training how to handle fires from lithium-ion batteries in ebikes and Teslas.

Ryan Bennet EDSO - preparing for El Nino. Thanks to us for all our work in clearing which will help keep new growth of vegetation reduced.

k. **BOR:** Zarela Guerrero/John Hutchings

No Report

## 9. Program Reports:

a. **Grants & Funding/Grants Committee:** Tamara Johnston

- Update on EDCFSC Grant Applications

No reimbursements for food expenses incurred after August 31<sup>st</sup> for CA FSC grant.

Congratulations to the four AFSCs for their completed PG&E grants. Gave grant updates on CEQA for Hazardous Tree, BLM in Garden Valley/Georgetown areas, and the CA Fire Foundation Proposition 4 grant. A new CA FSC grant is pending and will keep us posted.

Noted the

CAL TRANS is planning a Hwy 193 fuel reduction project. 2026 every AFSC gets \$3k to use for Title III by December 31<sup>st</sup> and is a use it or lose it. Can use food expenses for Title III.

November 9-10 is the Community Wildfire Mitigation Best Practices training at American Legion Hall and the deadline for AFSCs to sign up is September 18<sup>th</sup>.

b. **Assistance Programs:** Jessica Isabel



# El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

515 Main Street Ste. 103 • Placerville, CA 95667

Email: [clerk@edcfiresafe.org](mailto:clerk@edcfiresafe.org) • Main Office: (530) 647-1700

---

- Chipping  
Completed Jobs - 707  
Acres Cleared - 1099  
Average cost - \$353.01  
Total Cost - \$260,279.53
- Defensible Space  
Parcels Evaluated - 518  
Parcels Cleared - 372  
Average Cost - \$1,316.01  
Total Cost - \$568,003.15
- Hazard Tree Removal  
Parcels Completed - 93  
Trees Identified - 462  
Trees Cut - 254  
Average Tree Cost - \$1,131.96  
Average Job Cost - \$3,189.68  
Total Cost - \$307,212.54

- Arborist and Evaluator RFP

E Board approved the recommendation from the RFP working group for new defensible space evaluator and hazardous tree arborist. Arbor Safe Contracting has been selected and went into contract with us.

c. **Training Committee:** Elizabeth Standeven

Explained Zone 0 regulations and also on September 8<sup>th</sup> it has been put on hold. Recommendations by assessors for Zone 0 have not changed. Training committee meeting will be on Monday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 2pm-3pm at the OWPR office to discuss messaging. CAL FIRE has no way to enforce Zone 0. Insurance companies want nothing in 5-foot zone for discounts.

d. **Outreach & Education:** Dorothy Fine

Please send your FSC logo to clerk if haven't done it yet. AFSC Spotlight reports reminder will come out in October. The Veterans Stand Down event on September 11th went well. September 26th is the Props, Cops and Rodders event and we still need volunteers. Send photos from events to clerk to put on social media.



# El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

515 Main Street Ste. 103 • Placerville, CA 95667

Email: [clerk@edcfiresafe.org](mailto:clerk@edcfiresafe.org) • Main Office: (530) 647-1700

---

## 10. Community Council Reports

**Karen Pullin, Mosquito FSC** – Their veteran's event will be on 11-11-26 at 11am. They were asked to be at the ribbon cutting for the opening of the new bridge. Mosquito supports the shared service agreement with Garden Valley and Georgetown. Thanked Johnny Valenzuela for all his help. Encouraged everyone to attend other AFSC events.

**Ernie Lory, Grizzly Flats FSC** - August 22nd had green waste day that was very successful. 157 defensible space hours were collected.

**Hassan Ebrahimi-Nuyken, Sierra Springs FSC** – Still doing assessments. Explained IBHS (non-profit organization doing research for insurance companies) safer from fire communities' information and lack of Firewise mentioned.

**Tamara Johnston, Georgetown Divide FSC** – Wildfire Expo in April had vendor at booth that didn't do the work and homeowner didn't get her money back. Check your vendors before allowing them to come to your events. Will have a booth at Georgetown Founders Day this Sunday. Thanked EDCFSC for having materials available for check out for events.

**Ken Rogers, Logtown FSC** - Saturday October 10<sup>th</sup> is their hot dog social with a lot of games and food from 12:00pm-3:00pm at Station 44 by Logtown Market. Thanked the local fire station for doing some clean up at their station.

## 11. Public Comment – *Time limit is 3 minutes per person.*

Gil Wright Pilots Association talked about prescribed burn and airports need for brush control. Utilize airports for prescribed burn training. He has Association of CA Airports video from the Palisades fire of what aircraft had to do for that fire.

Chris Walker lives off Sudbury Rd in Cameron Park near BLM land. Expressed concern about brush that needs to be removed that borders his property. Tanya offered her help with his concern.

## 12. Good of the Order

- a. A Brown Bag Session will be held at 12:30pm Tracie Wallace with American Red Cross.
- b. Next EDCFSC Board Meeting – October 21, 2026

## 13. Adjourn

11:32am

|                           |               |                           |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| SEPTEMBER 2025 YTD REPORT | COMPARISON TO | SEPTEMBER 2026 YTD REPORT |
|---------------------------|---------------|---------------------------|

| CHIPPING PROGRAM   |              |             |     | CHIPPING PROGRAM   |              |
|--------------------|--------------|-------------|-----|--------------------|--------------|
| Jobs Completed:    | 714          |             |     | Jobs Completed:    | 894          |
| Acres Cleared:     | 1,209        |             |     | Acres Cleared:     | 1,203        |
| Average Cost:      | \$510.66     |             |     | Average Cost:      | \$334.53     |
| Total Cost:        | \$342,213.01 |             |     | Total Cost:        | \$319,382.43 |
| DEFENSIBLE SPACE   |              | RESIDENTS:  |     | DEFENSIBLE SPACE   |              |
| Parcels Evaluated: | 492          | Veterans:   | 113 | Parcels Evaluated: | 584          |
| Parcels Cleared:   | 467          | Seniors:    | 424 | Parcels Cleared:   | 466          |
| Average Cost:      | \$1,306.00   | Low-Income: | 114 | Average Cost:      | \$1,293.10   |
| Total Cost:        | \$656,847.03 | Disabled:   | 128 | Total Cost:        | \$697,301.40 |
| HAZARDOUS TREE     |              |             |     | HAZARDOUS TREE     |              |
| Parcels Completed: | 141          |             |     | Parcels Completed: | 115          |
| Trees Identified:  | 641          |             |     | Trees Identified:  | 491          |
| Trees Cut:         | 491          |             |     | Trees Cut:         | 316          |
| Average Tree Cost: | \$372.64     |             |     | Average Tree Cost: | \$1,065.04   |
| Average Job Cost:  | \$1,945.36   |             |     | Average Job Cost:  | \$3,119.64   |
| Total Cost:        | \$285,481.50 |             |     | Total Cost:        | \$372,095.72 |