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"Public and Private Partners Working Together to Protect People, Homes, and Natural Resources"

Board Meeting Agenda

February 19, 2025

9:30 am to 12:00

American Legion

4561 Greenstone Road, Placerville

1. Meeting Call to Order
2. Roll Call: Sign In
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Consent Calendar Board Action Item
 - a. Meeting Agenda: 02/19/2025
 - b. Board Meeting Minutes: 1/15/2024
5. New Business
6. Old Business
7. Information Items:
 - a. Chairman's Report & Communication – Ken Pimlott
 - b. Vice-Chair Report – Angel Ball for Dorothy Fine
 - c. Secretary Report – Angel Ball
 - d. Treasurers Report: Janet Barentson
 - e. Partners Reports:
 1. BLM – TBA
 2. CAL FIRE – Megan Scheeline/Jeff Hoag
 3. Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience –Meyer/ Harlow
 4. EDC Fire Chiefs Association – Tim Cordero
 5. EDC FPO Association – Lucas Shepard

6. ENF – Brad Stewart
7. RCD – Mark Egbert
8. SMUD – Eric Brown
9. PG&E – Mike Webb
10. EDSO – Lt Morton
11. BOR – Elizabeth Dyer

8. Program Reports

- a. Grants & Funding/Grants Committee– Tamara Johnston
- b. Assistance Programs – Jessica Isabel
 - Chipping
 - Defensible Space Services for Seniors, etc
 - Hazard Tree Removal
- c. Training Committee – Hugh Council
- d. Outreach & Education –Alice Cantelow
- e. Governance and New Council Formation & Orientation – Angel Ball

9. Community Council Reports

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

11. Good of the Order

- a. CWPP workshop to review the draft action plan hosted by OWPR @ **1 PM** at the American Legion following the Board Meeting.
- b. Next EDCFSC Board Meeting – March 19, 2025



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Board Meeting Minutes- DRAFT

January 15, 2025

9:30 am to 12:00

American Legion

4561 Greenstone Road, Placerville

1. Meeting Call to Order

9:33am

2. Roll Call: Sign In

In Person: Pimlott, Council, Barentson, Pullin, Penn, Boal, Ball, Cantelow, Connelly, Johnston, Hess, Lory, Zelinsky Zoom: Hawk, Willis, Wynia

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Ken Pimlott

4. Consent Calendar **Board Action Item**

- a. Meeting Agenda: 01/15/2025
- b. Board Meeting Minutes: 11/20/2024

Janet Barentson made a motion to approve Consent Calendar and Hugh Council seconded the motion. Consent Calendar is approved-no opposition.

5. New Business

- a. Strategic Planning Task Group - Paul Penn
 - Adopt Strategic Planning Recommendations – **Board Action Item**

Ken noted the approval of hiring Jennifer Turner for the Executive Coordinator position. She will be starting on Monday, January 20, 2025. Jennifer introduced herself and explained her experience that would benefit this position.

Paul did an overview of the strategic planning task group with his Power Point slides. There were conversations regarding budget items for AFSCs, the bureaucracy of AFSCs as well as public outreach.

David Zelinsky made a motion to adopt the recommendations of this task group and Tamara Johnston seconded the motion. These recommendations are approved except for opposition by Alice Cantelow.

b. New Fire Safe Council: Heritage - Angel Ball – Board Action Item

Corde Wagner introduced himself and his new Heritage council and noted that all the appropriate paperwork has been completed.

David Zelinsky made a motion to approve the formation and acceptance of Heritage AFSC and Ernie Lory seconded the motion. A unanimous vote approved the motion.

6. Old Business

None

7. Information Items:

a. Chairman's Report & Communication – Ken Pimlott

Even though there is no meeting scheduled after this one people can stay to network and chat.

The audio-visual equipment is still pending as there have been complications with figuring out how to get the set up to work effectively. Hugh mentioned his involvement with the process and is hoping to have it fixed within the next few months.

b. Vice-Chair Report – Angel Ball for Dorothy Fine

The plan is to have the website up next month. There will be training, which will be announced, to update AFSCs webpages.

c. Secretary Report – Angel Ball

Noted brown bag meetings to take place after EDCFSC board meetings. Please send me any information/ideas you may have for them.

d. Treasurers Report: Janet Barentson

- January treasurer report deferred to February meeting

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- Mid-year budget update
- Audit update

Janet Barentson gave her report on the above-mentioned items.

Vaughn Johnson recommended we do accounting on an accrual basis. Audits will be annual. FSC's may be asked for financial information for audit. Taxes have been completed and filed.

The charitable trust will be paid this month.

AFSCs that are unincorporated and spent over \$660 need to have 1099s.

Used all defensible space money and still waiting for the reimbursement from CALFIRE for \$200k. No CALFIRE advance yet. Chipper grant closes in March with CALFIRE.

Still have Steven's Authority money through June.

Updating budget reports. Administrative services have the largest change for the Executive Coordinator salary and will go up by \$55k.

e. Partners Reports:

1. BLM – TBA

No Report

2. CAL FIRE – Megan Scheeline/Jeff Hoag

No Report

3. Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience –Meyer/ Harlow/Stanton

Tanya – CWPP is in editing mode and aiming for February for a draft. AFSCs will be able to make edits.

Cea starting in Hanks Exchange and the first workshop will be in February. Alice & Lester will do a green waste day at same time.

Public outreach items mentioned.

Printed workbooks and working on real estate kits.

Website – we are working on pictures for a library of photos for AFSCs.

Greg Stanton – Gave updates on SOFAR biomass and SPI Camino.

In March 2025 Gold Seal Industries are working on a biomass demo unit in Caldor area.

South Tahoe Refuse has heat and power project for a demo project.

Forager Fuels is working on biomass to clean hydrogen.

4. EDC Fire Chiefs Association – Tim Cordero

Gave report on resources fighting fires in southern California.

In planning stages for defensible space inspections.

Have a toolkit with guiding docs from OWPR on helping the defensible space inspections they give to homeowners.

County Fire in Diamond Springs is hosting events at different stations.

EID does flow tests on hydrants.

5. EDC FPO Association – Lucas Shepard

New officers start this month at our meeting tomorrow.
Working on standards update.
Gearing up for county fair.

6. ENF – Brad Stewart

No Report

7. RCD – Courtney Jackson

Placerville Community Wildfire Resilience Strategy meeting on January 29th with the City Council at the Town Hall. We will have input from our study.
Working on project updates for Caldor phase 2 and still accepting ROE's and doing outreach.
Updates were given on various areas around the county they are working on.
Maps are online for all the project information.

8. SMUD – Eric Brown

No Report

9. PG&E – Mike Webb

No Report

10. EDSO –Lt Morton

No Report

11. BOR – Elizabeth Dyer

Working with Mike Connelly from Auburn Lake Trails FSC which includes 227 acres that have been masticated.
Greenwood area - working on more information before crews go out.
Working with Steve Willis from Lakehills FSC - CCC Placer center has been working on the site but has been delayed due to fires and will continue after crews are back from Los Angeles.

8. Program Reports

a. Grants & Funding/Grants Committee– Tamara Johnston

Applied for half the cost of Executive Coordinator position.
Got Final approval for two CALFIRE grants.
Trying to get extension from forest service for chipping grant.

Working with BLM California forest woodlands resource management grant for \$300k in Georgetown Divide BLM contacted us to apply.
CALFIRE forest health grant-RCD applying for Camino and Texas Hill.
Applying for forest service community wildfire \$10 million grant.
The planning grant would be with the fire prevention grants and the deadline is in July.
Gave updates on the CWPP.
Ken explained the details of the budget revolving around the fire prevention grant.

b. Assistance Programs – Jessica Isabel

- Chipping-YTD

- Completed - 712 jobs
 - Cleared - 1,157 acres
 - Cubic Yards Chipped -132,703
 - Total Spent - \$333,411.12

- Defensible Space Services for Seniors, etc-YTD

- Evaluated - 327 Parcels
 - Cleared - 326 Parcels
 - Average Cost Per Parcel - \$1,163.26
 - Total Spent - \$414,303.76
 - Out of the 326 parcels cleared:
 - Seniors-288
 - Disabled-91
 - Veterans-101
 - Low income-77

- Hazard Tree Removal-YTD

- New Parcels Assessed - 170
 - Parcels Completed - 205
 - Trees Cut - 500
 - New Trees Identified - 457
 - Total Spent \$512,032.25
 - Average tree cost \$705.39

- All Three Programs-YTD
 - Helped 1,243 Parcels
 - Total Spent \$1,259,747.13

- RFP details reported for newly hired companies.
 - There will be annual renewals for these contracts.

c. Training Committee – Hugh Council

The defensible space training classes are scheduled for April 23- 24 and May 19-20.
Notify Hugh by February 1st if you are interested in attending. The classes will be here at the hall.

Thanked Ron and Elizabeth for the January 7th Zoom meeting. Contact Elizabeth for information on the online video.

Elizabeth noted assessor binders to check out with her or Carri. She also gave information regarding defensible space and home hardening. Elizabeth offered to attend AFSC meetings to explain fire safety.

d. Outreach & Education –Alice Cantelow

Foothill Fireflash went out last week. The next one is due out in February. Let Alice know if you have information you would like to include in it.

The first draft of banners has been done and can contact Alice with any edits.

Images library for new website noted and there will be a spot for banners and posters.

We have two CALFIRE banners loaned to us that anyone can use.

Noted the need for education on structure to structure fires in the more urban areas of the county.

e. Governance and New Council Formation & Orientation – Angel Ball

No Report

9. Community Council Reports

Hassan Ebrahimi-Nuyken, Sierra Springs FSC – We had our first meeting last week and discussed the new assessment form. Ken noted the requirement to use EDCFSC's new home assessment forms to receive the funding after each completed assessment.

Jeanine Stiles, Greenstone FSC – Noted the form from IBHS one of her homeowners received. They have completed assessments with our new forms.

David Zelinsky, Placerville FSC - April 26th at the Midtown Mall in Placerville we have our wildfire safety event.

Karen Pullin, Mosquito FSC - Received our Firewise certificate and thanked Jessica for getting information out.

Bob Hess, Coloma/Lotus FSC - Their board doubled the area of their FSC and recruited five more board members for each community in their FSC. Green waste days are scheduled. There is a Firewise team working for the new communities within their FSC so 100% of Coloma/Lotus will be Firewise.

Ken Rogers, Logtown FSC - The first general meeting they had Brian Veerkamp there. Logtown has one assessor and would like to get more so they can boost their assessments. Requested that anyone with ideas to obtain this goal to contact him.

Melissa Gates, Royal Equestrian Estates – Received their Firewise renewal. All their evacuation routes have vertical and horizontal clearance. There are three more roadways to clear.

Bill Osgood, Serrano FSC - Completed the 5-year review of the firesafe plan approved by

El Dorado Hills Fire Department. February 25th webinar is scheduled with United Policy Holders for insurance information.

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

Paul Penn noted that EID maintains fire hydrants and are now on a 5-year circuit to do inspections. They paint them bright red when inspected. EID has locate my fire hydrant on their website for the closest fire hydrant to you.

Ken noted other ideas for fire service 101, insurance information and brown bag meetings for the community.

11. Good of the Order

11:57 am

- a. Next EDCFSC Board Meeting – February 19, 2025

Meeting minutes typed by Carri Lueck, Administrative Assistant, EDCFSC.

YTD Expense Report -12/31/2024

FSC Operations	Beginning Balance	Dec	Actual YTD Balance 5 months	Total Balance YTD	% of CY Beginning Balance
FSC Operations Opening Balance (Assets)	\$ 119,788	\$ 12,800	109,453	\$ 122,253	102%
Total Available	\$ 119,788	\$ 12,800	\$ 109,453	\$ 122,253	102%
Expenses	Budget	Dec	Actual YTD Balance 5 months	Total YTD	% of Budget
5010 · Contract Support	\$ 60,000	\$ 13,555	27,436	\$ 40,991	68%
5030 · Giveaway Items	\$ 0			\$ -	0%
5040 · Internet Access & Website	\$ 20,000	\$ 735	3,705	\$ 4,440	22%
5080-Software		\$ -	139	\$ 139	
6100 · Advertising & Marketing	\$ 1,000			\$ -	0%
6115 · Bank Service Charges	\$ 1,100	\$ 85	425	\$ 510	46%
6120 · Business License & Fees	\$ 250	\$ 200	5	\$ 205	82%
6130 . Admin Services	\$ 37,000	\$ 2,605	15,511	\$ 18,116	49%
6141 . Computer Supplies	\$ 4,000	\$ -	306	\$ 306	8%
6142 . Conference Fees	\$ 250			\$ -	0%
6155 · Dues and Subscriptions	\$ 1,285			\$ -	0%
6180 · Insurance	\$ 15,000	\$ 163	15,566	\$ 15,729	105%
6320 . Telephone	\$ 1,800	\$ 148	739	\$ 887	49%
6255 · Postage, Delivery & PO Box	\$ 200	\$ 8	101	\$ 109	55%
6265 · Printing and Reproduction	\$ 150			\$ -	0%
6275 · Professional Fee	\$ 7,000			\$ -	0%
6276 · Legal Fee	\$ 5,000			\$ -	0%
6277 · Accounting Fees	\$ 9,500	\$ 1,431	2,459	\$ 3,890	41%
6295 · Rent	\$ 7,000	\$ 350	1,750	\$ 2,100	30%
6310 · Office Supplies	\$ 800	\$ 3	127	\$ 130	16%
6330 . Travel	\$ 500			\$ -	0%
6336 · Meeting Expense	\$ 1,000	\$ -	643	\$ 643	64%
6580 · Storage	\$ 1,200	\$ 100	500	\$ 600	50%
Total Expense Overhead	\$174,035	19,383	69,412	\$ 88,795	51%

Active Projects Monthly Report

Report as of 12/31/2024

TITLE	GRANT END DATE	GRANT AWARD	CASH RECEIVED	CASH EXPENDED	REMAINING CASH	GRANT BALANCE NOT REC'D
Fuels Treatment						
USFS Stevens Auth Sierra Springs SS-2 (20-CA-11050300-013)	9/15/2025	\$ 559,000	243,727	243,362	364	\$ 315,273
USFS Stevens Auth Sierra Springs SS-2 (22-CA-11050300-015)	9/15/2025	\$ 309,000	2,737	2,675	62	\$ 306,263
USFS Stevens Auth Grizzly Flats GF-18 (20-CA-11050300-013)	6/18/2025	\$ 180,000	178,199	177,845	354	\$ 1,801
USFS Stevens Auth Grizzly Flats GF-18 (22-CA-11050300-015)	9/15/2025	\$ 150,000	1,020	1,020	-	\$ 148,980
USFS Stevens Auth Gold Ridge GRF (20-CA-11050300-013)	6/18/2025	\$ 150,000	149,625	149,625	0	\$ 375
USFS Stevens Auth Volcanoville (22-CA-11050300-015)	9/15/2025	\$ 132,000	1,544	1,510	34	\$ 130,456
USFS Stevens Auth Mosquito (22-CA-11050300-015)	9/15/2025	\$ 200,000	6,233	6,111	122	\$ 193,767
BLM Georgetown Fuel Break BLM L20AC00468	9/22/2025	\$ 990,000	867,969	867,969	-	\$ 122,031
CAL FIRE South County Fuel Reduction Project 5GG21199	3/15/2026	\$ 2,079,887	207,308	186,906	20,402	\$ 1,872,579
CAL FIRE Georgetown Marshal Road Fuel Reduction 5GA2129	3/15/2026	\$ 278,700	41,189	41,189	-	\$ 237,511
CAL FIRE Fuel Red for Critical Rds-Coloma Lotus 5GG21200	3/15/2026	\$ 705,670	440,680	440,680	-	\$ 264,990
CAL FIRE Residential Hazardous Tree Removal 5GG21198	3/15/2026	\$ 1,252,790	745,054	638,877	106,177	\$ 507,736
CAL FIRE Spanish Flat North Fuel Reduction Project 8GG21600	3/31/2026	\$ 4,890,440	191,641	194,541	(2,900)	\$ 4,698,799
CAL Fire Hazardous Tree Grant		\$ 1,170,400	-	-	-	\$ 1,170,400
TOTAL, FUELS TREATMENT		\$ 13,047,887	3,076,926.25	2,952,310	124,616.26	\$ 9,970,961
Defensible Space						
CA Fire Safe Council (Senior, Low Income, Disabled)	12/31/2024	\$ 500,000	256,625	450,000	(193,375)	\$ 243,375
PGE Grant 2024 Dspace		\$100,000	100,000	-	100,000	\$ -
CAL FIRE Defensible Space Grant-5GG23101		\$ 937,000	-	3,478	(3,478)	\$ 937,000
TOTAL, DEFENSIBLE SPACE		\$ 1,537,000	356,625.30	453,478	(96,852.68)	\$ 1,180,375
Chipping						
USFS Stevens Auth Chipping (20-CA-11050300-013)	6/18/2025	300,000	25,000	-	25,000	\$ 275,000
AQMD Chipping Grant	12/31/2026	355,000	150,000	64,059	85,941	\$ 205,000
CAL FIRE El Dorado Chipper 5GG20100	3/15/2025	987,289	840,435	915,300	(74,866)	\$ 146,854
TOTAL, CHIPPING		\$ 1,642,289	1,015,434.66	979,360	36,074.81	\$ 626,854
Miscellaneous Grants						
Title III 2022-23	9/1/2024	86,141	86,141	-	86,141	-
Title III 2022-23 Green Waste	9/1/2024	54,000	54,000	2,141	51,859	\$ -
Title III 2021/22	9/1/2023	67,447	67,447	52,756	14,691	\$ -
Title III 2014/2016		94,273	94,273	83,378	10,896	\$ -
West Slope Foundation - Aukum Fairplay FSC		5,000	5,000	1,052	3,948	\$ -
West Slope Foundation - Grizzly Flats FSC		5,000	5,000	5,000	-	\$ -
CA FSC Grant	8/31/2026	100,000	-	-	-	\$ 100,000
TOTAL, MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS		\$411,862	311,861.72	\$144,327	167,534.44	\$100,000
Grant Total Grants		\$ 16,639,038	4,760,847.93	4,529,475	231,372.83	\$ 11,878,190