



Mariposa County Fire Advisory Committee

MEETING DRAFT MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday MAY 18, 2022
TIME: 9:30 AM
LOCATION: Go To Meeting/Call in – Conference Meeting (see below for participation information)
Host Location – Mariposa County Government Center
5100 Bullion Street, Mariposa, CA 95338
Lower Floor, Development Services

- 1. Roll Call:** *Chris Bernard, Steve Engfer, Barbara Cone, Dave Angelini, Melinda Barrett, Hannah Harrison, Wes Smith, Pat Lange SNF, Russ Marks, Fadzayi Mashiri, Tom Sweeney and Laura Norman.*

Meeting called to order at 9:34.

- 2. Resolution:** At the beginning of each meeting we will vote on whether we want to have an all in-person meeting or only teleconference. The public will have the option to call in for either format.
ACTION- *Motion to meet by teleconference on this day. Approved.*

- 3. Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of December 15, 2021, January 19, 2022, March 16, 2022, and April 27, 2022 Special Meeting. No regular meeting in April due to no quorum.
ACTION- *One motion covered Dec, Jan, Mar, and April Minutes. Approved.*

- 4. Public comments - none**

5. Discussion and Possible Action:

- a. Discussion and consider recommendations to Board of Supervisors edits to MCFAC Resolution Exhibit A committee member identifying voting members vs Ex-Officio members.

Adhoc discussion, in a technical advisory role, determined recommendations need to be put to the BOS on what seats will be included in MCFAC and how to set quorum. More work needs to be done, a draft needs to be completed before it can be brought to the BOS. The full voting identified agencies will be contacted and asked if they want to participate and provide a representative consistently. Do all agencies need to be voting members?

- b. Discussion and consider recommendations to Board of Supervisors feedback and recommendations to the County's Resolution of the Mariposa County Board of Supervisors new policy specifying guidelines, procedures, and standing rules for count advisory boards, commission, and committees. Resolution 2022-115 (B.Cone)

Changes to include proxy votes for each agency, not a person. Adopt the majority rule that best fits MCFAC (Exhibit A, pg 2, Board Policy). Definition of Majority: is MCFAC floating or set? More of a hybrid. Length of membership written as 4 years. Keep continuous terms for agencies. Only the individual memberships will expire.

ACTION: *Adhoc committee to draft the changes MCFAC needs to function, and have the Fire Chief bring the recommendations to BOS. Approved.*

- c. Discussion of a Pre-Fire Engineer county position (Extra Help or whatever) for the coordination of CWPP, LHMP, GIS coordination, Title III coordination, etc.

ACTION: *Support budget request for County Fire to hire an additional person to cover the MCFAC administrative needs. Fire Chief to work with HR develop the duties and title of this person, including pulling community plans together. Approved.*



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- d. Project updates or new grants filed for or received and any needed coordination.

*FSC: Waiting on CAL FIRE announcement of Grants awarded. PG&E is behind on their grants.
Public Works: Ferguson Fire Mitigation cleanup in process. Approaching 1000 trees removed.
RCD: Received 3rd forest health grant from CAL FIRE for \$4.9M adds on to previous grants around YNP.*

6. Updates, Activity Reports and Future Items

- a. Members –

RCD: Working in Yosemite West and Wawona sub-divisions cleaning up. June is new date for transformer upgrade in Bootjack, since April date it rained. 95% complete. May be able to have the new panels installed before power upgrade.

County Fire: Steve Ward submitted a proposal for Title III funding for FSC, RCD, and Trails Group. RCD to use toward home hardening projects. Currently in 45 day comment period.

SWIFT: Has some BLM Good Neighbor authority money available for projects in Mariposa. Think about where we could do a project with these funds that everyone thinks is worthwhile.

Public Works: Board of Forestry comment period for fire safe regulations is ending. Seems more reasonable and moving forward. Thank you Tom for his wisdom and contribution to MCFAC.

UCCE: Fire Advisor position interviewed someone who is being made an offer. Looking promising. Mark is working on PBA coordination and education.

- b. Any future agenda items: None

7. Adjourn

Adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

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