



Mariposa County Fire Advisory Committee

MEETING AGENDA
FEBRUARY 17, 2021

DATE: Wednesday February 17, 2021
TIME: 9:30 AM
LOCATION: HOST LOCATION Mariposa County Planning Department
5100 Bullion Street, Mariposa, CA 95338.

Teleconference ONLY (see below for call in participation information)

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1. Roll Call
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of December 16, 2020
3. Public comments
4. **Discussion and Possible Action:**
 - a. Countywide Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CCWPP)
 - i. Update of Board of Supervisors Action for CWPP adoption at their meeting on February 16, 2021.
 - ii. Next steps for CWPP Implementation

Mariposa County Board of Supervisors Meeting item, including the final CWPP Plan, is available at:
http://mariposacountyca.igm2.com/Citizens/Detail_Meeting.aspx?ID=2671
(Please see the Agenda Item- 2:00 PM reconvene, Item 1.)

- b. MCFAC – Committee Update and Workplan discussion
 - c. Education and Outreach - Ad Hoc Chair
 - d. Map Project- BOS Item Preparation
 - e. Grant Applications Coordination
5. **Updates, Activity Reports and Future Items**
 - a. Members
 - b. Any future agenda items

6. Adjourn

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MEETING DRAFT MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday DECEMBER 16, 2020
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:** John Morgan, John Schroeder, Steve Engfer, Barbara Cone, Allen Johnson, Laura Norman, Melinda Barrett, Fadzayi Mashiri, Dave Angelini, Elaina Cromer, Patience Good, Mike Keyser, Steve Ward and Marshall Long.

Meeting called to order at 9:35.

Guest: LeRoy Westerling

- 2. Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of November 18, 2020
Minutes approved with correction of SEQA → CEQA. ACTION- Minutes approved.

- 3. Public comments - none**

- 4. Presentation:** LeRoy Westerling provided slideshow titled “Pyregence Consortium Overview: Fire modeling for California’s Fifth Climate Assessment”. Their research initiatives incorporate a variety of drivers in a suite of models that simulate extreme fire events on multiple spatial scales, time steps and time horizons for the state of California.

5. Discussion and Possible Action:

- a. Community Wildfire Protection Plan

CWPP accepting final comments December-January, then to Board of Supervisors in February.

- b. Ai4 Technologies Presentation

A few legal issues have come up, so it is stopped for now. The Grant with NSS is a problem for the County. Wondering if another organization wants to work with them on grant?

- c. FireSafe Regulations Changes/Update

Major changes coming to FireSafe regulations. Primarily upgrades and clarifies definitions on how roads can be constructed. It gives local jurisdictions the ability to modify regs for local need. Now requires reflective address signs. Improvements on water storage for new construction. Added Article 5 requiring fuel breaks and modifications on new developments AND requires them to be maintained. The County needs to map existing neighborhoods and communities for State reference by July 2021. Planning needs to identify gaps in current policies. Codes are triggered depending on type of construction.

- d. Education and Outreach – Ad Hoc Chair

Met on December 3rd to decide on a vision for this committee. They will be the communication link to the community. Facebook and links on existing pages will be utilized. Messaging ideas: Prescribed burn, fire prevention, fire extinguisher education video, using small tools correctly, fire landscaping, fire-proofing, and defensible space. RCD YouTube channel is available for use. Regular messaging is possible in the Gazette too. Meetings will be held the 1st Thursday of each month @ 9:30am.

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- e. Project BOS Item/Action dates – update

MPUD delegated authority to Planning for Plan Review. Mariposa County Fire has MOU now, so they can work together. Fire and Life Safety inspections are now done locally. We need to add some seats and replace some vacancies on MCFAC. BOS approved big hotel project, called the Brown Bear project, with conference center and 96 residential units. .

- f. Grant Applications Coordination - none

- g. Fire Safe Council – moved to Updates, Activity Reports

- h. State and County Budget Update – COVID19 related impacts

Budget adopted and will be adjusted as TOT revenues come in.

6. Updates, Activity Reports and Future Items

- a. Members

County Fire: Jeremy Briese has been sworn in as new Sheriff. Takes affect December 29th.

Fire Safe Council: Foran CEQA is in Sacramento. Stumpfield project will start in January when contractor returns from wildfire response. Good progress on Firewise Community designation at Yosemite West, successful chipping and fuel breaks. Stoneridge Estates mobile home community had a massive fuels reduction of highly ignitable plants (juniper).

RCD: May be able to do a matching funds grant with Yosemite West.

- b. Staff – Logo and Letterhead, will share ideas

Bring logos to January meeting for adoption.

- c. Any future agenda items

Standing committee meeting scheduled for 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 9:30am.

7. Adjourn

Adjourned at 11:24 a.m.

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