



Mariposa County Fire Advisory Committee

MEETING DRAFT MINUTES

DATE: Wednesday FEBRUARY 16, 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:** Steve Engfer, Barbara Cone, Dave Angelini, Tom Sweeney, Wes Smith, Melinda Barrett, Chris Bernard, Patience Good, Acacia Coats and Laura Norman. And speaker Mikey Goralnik.

Meeting called to order at 9:37.

- 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 correct the date at the bottom of the resolution to be today. Approved.

ACTION- Motion to meet by teleconference on this day. Approved.

- 3. Approval of Minutes:** Minutes of December 15, 2021, and January 19, 2022.

ACTION- Tabled due to lack of members who attended.

- 4. Public comments - none**

5. Discussion and Possible Action:

- a. Consideration of the draft Mariposa Committee Policy and Resolution Ver 2.0, approve any feedback and recommendations and authorize the Chair or Vice-Chair to give approved feedback and recommendations.
 - i. *Consideration and approve updated recommendations/edits to County BOS MCFAC resolution 2020-627 EXHIBIT A, unable to edit/recommend change in quorum.*
- b. Mariposa County Fuels Reduction and Vegetation Management Project- Bumguardner Ridge – FEMA Grant – Mikey Goralnik
Hazard mitigation grant programs are tough. FEMA pursued Mariposa to submit Notice Of Intent with overview. Submitted for Bumguardner Ridge, a phased implementation on county owned land. NOI was successful and now we need to fill out a complete application. Huge undertaking, beyond what Mikey's staff can handle. If we want to pursue \$1M he needs help with resources to complete the application.
FSC is working on Ridge with CAL FIRE money, not FEMA. From Martin Rd to Landfill, along ridgeline and slopes, thinning slopes as they go. The work will complement River Parkway work. FSC and RCD are not familiar with the FEMA grant process. Possible as County Fire.
- c. Monica Nielsen invited to speak about Mariposa Ag Commissioner Office. ABSENT
- d. Countywide Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)
 - i. Progress Reports: Draft of Community Plan template is underway. More edits are required. Draft template being submitted for Community Plans.
 - ii. GIS folks working on base layer with CAL FIRE. Hopefully ready to present at next meeting. If digital layers aren't available they can scan maps to PDF.



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e. Grant Application Coordination updates

FSC looking for brush and chip money. Possibly PG&E to gap from March to October. May need letters, although PG&E has a simplified process.

RCD did get letter for the Hwy 49 clearance project. Sadly, CalTrans decided they couldn't move forward. Changing to the 12 miles of Hwy 140 from Briceburg to town. CalTrans costs \$15K per acre compared to contractor cost of \$1500 per acre for 20-foot clearance. On private land they do 200-foot clearance.

6. Updates, Activity Reports and Future Items

a. Members –

FSC: Barbara thanks Melinda for work on LIDAR funding for University of WA. The results are being used on Lushmeadows ladder fuels project. Woodview Lane Homeowners (Indian Peak x Oak Grove) have an intermix high fire ranking of #6. May submit a grant. Alta Vista environmental work getting started. Bullion Ridge will be shovel ready. Making all 14 miles the same age of growth.

Tribal: Working on Mariposa Creek burn piles. Hoping for February 23rd to be the next burn day. Sarah Priest allotment on hold, waiting on environmental funding. SNC Board to review at next meeting. With approval, planning grant can get started.

b. Any future agenda items – none

7. Adjourn

Adjourned at 10:49 a.m.

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