

Butte County Federal/State Land Use Coordinating Committee

November 12, 2020 - 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Zoom Meeting

Meeting Minutes

1) Self-Introductions: Dennis Schmidt, Paula Daneluk, Paul Gosselin, Peggy Moak (committee members) Invited guests: Calli-Jane DeAnda, Jim Houtman, Jeff Gould and Taylor Nilsson (Butte County Fire Safe Council); Wolfy Rougle (BCRCD); Holly Jorgensen (Sac River Watershed); John Messina (CalFire/Butte County Fire); Brian Ring (BC Administration); Cindi Dunsmoor (BC Emergency Services Officer); Casey Hatcher (BC Administration)

2) The Minutes for September 30, 2020 were approved. (M-Schmidt, 2nd Daneluk, 4-0 Approval)

3) WUI Pre and Post Fire Action Plan presented by Calli-Jane DeAnda of the Butte County Fire Safe Council (FSC). The plan included reference to specific goals for fuels reduction that are to be decided upon by a Task Force after considering capacity, funding and priorities. Public land managers and private land managers are partners in this effort and are already participating in the Collaborative Group: USFS, SPI, BLM and many others.

John Messina of Butte County Fire shared basic provisions of State Code 4291 pertaining to defensible space in the SRA, and a proposed ordinance for Butte County's unincorporated areas that would expand responsibility of landowners, and adjacent landowners to properties with structures, as well as providing for landowner responsibility to manage fuels reduction for a proposed 20' zone along evacuation routes.

Casey Hatcher and Brian Ring stated that Department Head participation in a Task Force aligned with their departmental roles can occur without Board direction. Reports as to actions and progress would be appreciated at the Board level as the Board has signified its interest in mitigating the effects of future wildfires, including provisions in the General Plan.

Calli-Jane stated that the anticipated time commitment for Task Force participation will be about 3+ hours monthly, including meetings, review of emails and documents, etc. Public Works, Development Services, Water Resources, Emergency Services and Cal-Fire/Butte County Fire would be County participants of interest in these meetings. Additionally, those wishing to continue participating in the larger Collaborative Group would be appreciated.

MOTION: Recommend County participation in the Task Force as outlined by DeAnda and agreed upon by those present (Moak) 2nd – Daneluk, Approved 4-0.

4) Tuolumne County Case Study – Collaborative and Task Force. A brief discussion of the role Tuolumne County is taking with defensible space mitigation and fuels reduction ensued. Included in that discussion was the fact that Butte County is in a strained position due to multi-layered disasters, affecting staff capacity to take on additional responsibilities. There was discussion of potential partnerships for grant writing and grant administration that could assist with obtaining funding and implementation of related projects.

5) North Complex Fire Recovery – tabled for a future discussion at a Task Force Meeting.

6) Calli-Jane DeAnda stated that the FSC will take on the administrative role for the Task Force, which will include dissemination of status reports, Collaborative Group and Task Force meeting minutes and periodic reports to the Board of Supervisors for finalized action plan and accomplishments over the course of the next several years. A meeting will be scheduled soon. The FSC is holding its annual Wildfire Summit on December 2, 2020.

Attachments:



Tuolumne County Fire Safety and Com



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TRT Executed Agreement.pdf



Memo to Board 12.19.17.pdf



Fully Executed MSA.pdf



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WUI Pre and Post Fire Action Plan.pdf



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