

## MONTHLY LAKE COUNTY FIRE SAFE COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, February 13, 2025 10:00-11:00 AM

Attendance available in-person or via Zoom

Location: 889 Lakeport Blvd, Lakeport, CA

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## **AGENDA**

- 1. LCFSC Activities (30 min)
  - a. LCFSC Programmatic Updates & Discussion
    - i. Upcoming Outreach to Firewise Communities
    - ii. Reminders re: LCFSC Charter
    - iii. Ongoing Programming:
      - 1. Mobile Tool Cache
      - 2. Defensible Space
      - 3. LCFSC Website & Calendar of Events
- 2. Partner reports (30 min)
  - a. Updates, requests for support, etc.
- 3. Next monthly meeting: Thursday, October 9th, 2025

## **MINUTES:**

- 1. Lake County Fire Safe Council activities
  - a. Funding Updates
    - i. CFSC-CC Close-Out
      - Conducted interviews with 16 of Lake County's 20 Firewise Communities
      - Hosted our 2-part Preparedness, Engagement, Action, & Resiliency (PEAR) Workshop series which provided clarity around upcoming LCFSC programming
      - LCFSC staff was also able to prepare 500 emergency preparedness go-bags and distributed at 2 community outreach events hosted with La Voz de la Esperanza Wellness Center and Circle of Native Minds
    - ii. CFSC-DS Close-Out
      - 1. 160 home assessments
      - 2. 275 requests for services
      - 3. 107 homes provided defensible space services
        - a. 89 acres treated via chipping
        - b. 75 acres treated via hand-thinning
        - c. 25 acres treated via mechanical thinning
    - iii. Upcoming CoCo AIM Close-Out

- Funding allowed LCFSC the capacity to hire and onboard an Executive Director and Conservation Program Manager
- 2. Directly supported the development of LCFSC's Strategic Plan
- Supported development of LCFSC Mobile Tool Cache Program
- b. Programmatic Updates
  - i. Mobile Tool Cache Roll-Out
    - 1. Process and Inventory Overview
    - 2. Phil: careful with chainsaw!
    - 3. Terre: we need: https://www.pullerbear.com/
    - 4. Kat: mentioned extractigator (spelling?), also suggested water pumps/bags for piles
  - ii. Overview of LCFSC Strategic Planning Process
    - 1. Share Final LCFSC Strategic Plan
    - 2. Update on LCFSC Charter
    - 3. Community Feedback Survey
- 2. Partner updates
  - a. Programmatic Updates
    - i. NCO
      - 1. Finished hardening 17th house four more to start in the next month
      - 2. Hiring for additional coordinators
      - 3. OES working on vendor spreadsheet for fence provided to
    - ii. Phil Hartley
      - 1. Distributing evac information in service area
      - 2. Taking advantage of inexpensive mailing system
      - 3. March 12th Firewise Conference
        - a. 7 Firewise Communities
    - iii. SSCRA
      - Event for disaster preparedness in Cobb working with NCO and Tammy
      - 2. Next planning meeting this Saturday Feb. 15th.
      - 3. Fire adapted communities learning network blog on capacity building
        - a. Submitted first article on community learning
        - b. Third article will be to commemorate learnings in light of 3 big fires
      - 4. Awaiting updates on USDA funding under contract
    - iv. Cindy Jassar
      - Experiencing similar issues with CWDG delays in reimbursements
      - 2. Impacting Hogback Ridge shifting funding to PG&E
      - 3. Decarbonizer coming online in Lake County!
        - a. Kicking off 2/14/25

- 4. KFSC developing action plan included in appendix for local CWPP
- v. Terre
  - 1. Recent press release on Fire Hazard Severity Zones public comment period open for the next 90 days
- vi. Supervisor Pyska
  - 1. Need consolidated talking points re: funding troubles
    - a. Julia and John to provide
  - Meeting with lobbyist next Tuesday and going to DC following week
  - 3.
- vii. Paul Duncan
  - 1. Due to fires down south have moved staff
- viii. Daniella Santana
  - 1. Developing proposals for some grants within the County
  - 2. Working on application for forest management program through NASA
- ix. Nasbah
  - 1. On Tuesday will be hosting kick off Fuel BreakBurn with TERA community emergency preparedness with Tribes
- x. Tammy
  - 1. CAP team will be out of office week of Feb 24 28th
- xi. Dennis Burke
  - HAM Radio training program for those who want to be licensed
  - 2. Training on March 15th
  - 3. In disaster response trailers
  - 4. Team deployed to LA Region to provide support for fire recovery
- b. Requests for Support
- c. Relevant Resources or Opportunities
  - i. TERA
    - 1. Training opportunities coming up
    - 2. Introductory Leadership course upcoming anyone able to apply (late march)
    - Native Stewardship training conducted through CALFIRE multi-tribal program
    - Moving forward with burn in Red Hills area Experiencing some challenges with MOU with BLM in light of policy shift at federal level
      - Only doing fuels reduction piling now and burning will happen in the future - all pile burning flagged through Watch Duty
    - Mobile tool cache collaboration? Also suggested tool to consider
- 3. Extractigator Extractigator Broom, Buckthorn, Weed and Tree Puller

- 4. Pullerbear
- 5. Next steps
  - a. Next Monthly Meeting: Thursday, March 13, 2025