



El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

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General Information: (530) 647-1700

Assistance Programs: (530)957-6270

"Public and Private Partners Working Together to Protect People, Homes, and Natural Resources"

Board Meeting Agenda

August 21, 2024

9:30 am to 11:30

American Legion

4561 Greenstone Road, Placerville

1. Meeting Call to Order
2. Roll Call: Sign In
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Consent Calendar **Board Action Item**
 - a. Meeting Agenda: 08/21/2024
 - b. Board Meeting Minutes: 07/17/2024
5. New Business
 - a. Bylaw Update -
Section 1.02 – Office Location Change – Ken Pimlott **Board Action Item**
 - b. Website Proposal – Dorothy Fine **Board Action Item**
6. Old Business
 - a. Community Wildfire Protection Plan – Tamara Johnston
7. Information Items:
 - a. Chairman's Report & Communication – Ken Pimlott
 - b. Vice Chair Report – Dorothy Fine
 - c. Secretary Report – Angel Ball

- d. Treasurers Report: Janet Barentson – **Board Action Item**
- e. Partners Reports:
 - 1. BLM – TBA
 - 2. CAL FIRE – Megan Scheeline/Jeff Hoag
 - 3. Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience – Tom Meyer/Tanya Harlow
 - 4. EDC Fire Chiefs Association – Tim Cordero
 - 5. EDC FPO Association – Lucas Shepard
 - 6. ENF – Brad Stewart
 - 7. RCD – Mark Egbert
 - 8. SMUD – Eric Brown
 - 9. PG&E – Mike Webb
 - 10. EDSO – Lt Morton
 - 11. BOR – Elizabeth Dyer

8. Program Reports

- a. Grants & Funding/Grants Committee– Tamara Johnston
- b. Assistance Programs – Jessica Isabel
 - Chipping
 - Defensible Space Services for Seniors, etc
 - Hazard Tree Removal
- c. Training Committee – Hugh Council
- d. Outreach & Education –Alice Cantelow
- e. Governance and New Council Formation & Orientation – Angel Ball

9. Community Council Reports

10. Public Comment – *Time limit is 3 minutes per person.*

11. Good of the Order

- a. CWPP workshop hosted by OWPR @ **12:30 – 3:00 PM** at the American Legion following the Board Meeting.
- b. Next EDCFSC Board Meeting – September 18, 2024



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Board Meeting Minutes-DRAFT

July 17, 2024

9:30am-12:00pm

1. Meeting Call to Order

9:32

2. Roll Call: Sign In

In Person: Pimlott, Council, Barentson, Pullin, Ball, Brown, Cantelow, Connelly, Fine, Hess, Johnston, Payne, Willis, Osgood **Zoom:** Penn, Boal, Gilchrest, Hawk, Lory, Zelinsky, Standeven

3. Pledge of Allegiance - Ken Pimlott

4. Approval of Agenda: 07/17/2024 **Board Action Item**

Approved as presented - no opposition.

5. Consent Agenda: 06/19/2024 Board Meeting Minutes **Board Action Item**

Approved as presented no opposition.

6. New Business - No new items

7. Old Business

a. Strategic Planning (Futuring) Task Group Update- Paul Penn

Steve Willis drafted duty statements. Presentation will be made to the E-Board.

b. Community Wildfire Protection Plan – Tamara Johnston

Three days of site visits were completed with Jensen Hughes (CWPP Consulting firm). Twenty-five AFSCs participated in the tours.

8. Information Items:

a. Chairman's Report & Communication – Ken Pimlott - No report

b. Vice Chair Report – Dorothy Fine

Reminder- the vice chair position is the representative for AFSCs at OWPR meetings. Continue to work on research for a website building company. Thank you to Paul Gilchrest and Lester Lubkin for their help with the process. We want to add a back door password for AFSCs and we will need a project data management system for the three assistance programs. We have had a few glitches with tech support currently and in the past. We are also looking to add an Arc GIS program if grant funding comes through. We also need to have a website that is ADA compliant with terms and conditions listed. Kris Payne offered his help and knowledge. We need to be ADA compliant no later than 2026 and we need this compliance when we apply for grants. We are getting quotes which we will bring back to the e-board and general board in August.

c. Secretary Report – Angel Ball

Reminder to complete and submit appropriate insurance forms to secretary@edcfiresafe.org prior to special events. It takes up to seven days to process requests so plan ahead.

d. Treasurers Report: Janet Barentson – **Board Action Item**

Treasurer's report covers through month 11. The next report will have finals for fiscal year 23/24. The AFSC's Profit and Loss (P&L) statements are due by end of month. Thank you to those AFSCs that have already turned in P&L's.

Treasurers report approved as presented with no opposition.

e. Partners Reports:

1. BLM – No report
2. CAL FIRE – Megan Scheeline

Started fuels treatment effectiveness reporting – success stories go to Sacramento. Defensible space very successful with 5000 inspections so far this year.

EDC OES Deputy Jeff Whitlock–Presented overview of Pay and Moccasin Fire evacuation efforts including statistics on public use of the Perimeter website.

3. Office of Wildfire Preparedness and Resilience – Tom Meyer/Tanya Harlow

Tom - OWPR is now fully staffed. Jenny Milo, Sr. Administrative Analyst, introduced herself as the Project Manager for the Weber Creek project. El Dorado County is now on the Board of Forestry **Fire Risk Reduction Community** list for homeowner's insurance discounts under the Safer From Wildfire Initiative. Refer to guidance flyer and OWPR's website. Defensible Space Ordinance update becomes effective August 16, 2024.

Tanya Harlow – CA FSC is creating a Coordinator program video to be shown throughout the state describing how communities can engage. EDCFSC video shorts will be included. Tanya has been attending AFSC meetings and is available to attend other AFSC meetings upon request.

4. EDC Fire Chiefs Association – Tim Cordero

Thanked other agencies for their coordination efforts in fires. El Dorado County Fire and Diamond Springs annexation – working on SB 1240 to ensure Diamond Springs employees retain current benefits.

5. EDC FPO Association – Chrishana Fields

EDC FPO Association is following SB 1060 which requires insurers using risk modeling to include wildfire mitigation and home hardening. Bill passed the Senate and is currently in the Assembly.

6. ENF – Brad Stewart - No report

7. RCD – Courtney Jackson

South county fuel reduction contracts awarded and work will start when fire danger lowers. Georgetown RFP going out for fuels reduction in Spanish Flat to Chili Bar. Marshall project will start when fire danger lowers. Placerville Wildfire Resilience Strategy identified a technical assistance committee. Data being shared and activities coordinated with other planning efforts, including CWPP.

8. SMUD – Eric Brown

SMUD participated in the El Dorado County Chamber where watershed hydro generation activities, internship information and upcoming job opportunities were discussed. SMUD tree mortality flight in June observed low tree mortality and low insect activity. SMUD will be starting ground patrol with arborists, focusing on trees around electric assets. Forest Service Regional Forester participated in site visit to see SMUD activities.

9. PG&E – Mike Webb - No report

10. EDSO – Lt Morton - No report

11. BOR – Elizabeth Dyer - No report

9. Program Reports

a. Grants & Funding/Grants Committee– Tamara Johnston

Approved for \$100,000 CA FSC community education and outreach grant by September 1st. AFSC's will receive project info and budgets for this grant. Community Navigator Program grant application for \$53,000 was not approved.

Submitted \$100,000 PG&E grant application for D-Space.

A list of ongoing grant opportunities with deadlines will be made available. Contact Tamara for grant and project assistance.

b. Assistance Programs – Jessica Isabel

Chipping- YTD-Completed 273 jobs, cleared 439 acres, chipped 42,648 cubic yards and \$113,517 has been spent.

Defensible Space Services for Seniors, etc - YTD-Evaluated 68 new properties, cleared 54 properties, average cost per parcel is \$1,104.68, and spent \$67,291.87. We serviced 16 veterans, 46 seniors, 14 low income and 14 disabled. 20 evaluations per week.

Hazard Tree Removal - YTD-Assessed 86 new parcels, completed 136 parcels, identified 204 new trees, cut 323 trees, average cost per tree cut \$936.97 and spent \$345,655.50

c. Training Committee – Hugh Council

The group is reviewing information collected from the defensible space assessor surveys and will report back to the board soon.

d. Outreach & Education –Alice Cantelow

Building a Home Hardened house and looking for members with construction experience to assist. EDCFSC participating in El Dorado Community Foundation non-profit fair on August 29th. AFSC's are encouraged to submit a biography about their FSC to Alice. Ken McKinstry (Gallagher Road) and Alice are creating flying embers fire posters to put on AFSC community bulletin boards.

e. Governance and New Council Formation & Orientation – Angel Ball

There is interest in new FSCs but no details yet. More information next month.

10. Project Reports - No report

11. Community Council Reports

Alice Cantelow-Oak Hill FSC-Thanked CALFIRE and agencies for their response to Moccasin fire.

Bill Osgood Serrano FSC- Working on implementing Bylaws and developing website. We will be participating in the CSD National Night Out handing out fire safe information.

Bob Hess Coloma/Lotus FSC-Hosted a community event which included OES and CERA. We have partnered with Georgetown FSC to do a roadside fuel reduction project.

Hassan Ebrahimi-Nuyken Sierra Springs FSC–PG&E will start undergrounding. Community evaluations underway. Contact me for info on working with HOAs.

Jeanine Stiles-Greenstone Country FSC-Developed a survey to send out to our community in August. A banner will be posted by mailboxes, so they know we have a FSC and we are Firewise. We have 347 homeowners but have only done 28 assessments.

Tamara Johnston-Georgetown FSC-Working on a project that will give a packet to landowners after fuel reduction has been done on their property to encourage them to continue working on their defensible space.

Mike Connelly- Auburn Lake Trails FSC- 1,146 properties received Defensible Space evaluations beginning in June with a 90% pass rate. Doing another green waste disposal day this Saturday.

Sherry Hawk Gold Ridge Forest – Thanked agencies that approved logos for the banners going up that highlight defensible space. Will be doing an eblast about defensible space being homeowner's responsibility.

Hugh Council-Texas Hill FSC– Surveyed residents in Texas Hill regarding the Pay fire and their responses to Perimeter, RAVE and evacuations. Will host a community meeting with our community to discuss. PG&E flagged Texas Hill for undergrounding in 1-2 years.

Jennie Burton-Volcanoville FSC-. Jennie introduced herself and indicated she is helping Mary Cornelison. Had a community meeting this past Saturday.

Ken McKinstry- Gallagher Road FSC-Thanked El Dorado Department of Transportation for working on evacuation route. They did a great job improving drainage.

David Zelinsky – Placerville FSC-Working on expanding FSC borders partnering with OWPR to fill in gaps that are not covered by FSCs.

12. Public Comment – *Time limit is 3 minutes per person.*

Biomass/Cogeneration- Kris Payne - The county is waiting for USDA rural business development grant application to be processed. If awarded, there will be a contract with ECOSTRAT for a bio economy opportunity zone evaluation for El Dorado County.

13. Good of the Order

Hugh Council – There were 1,434 assessments year to date.

Next EDCFSC Board Meeting – August 21, 2024

Adjourned at 11:55a

Board Meeting Minutes Typed by Carri Lueck

Final Expense Report -6/30/2024

FSC Operations	Beginning Balance	June	Actual YTD Balance 12 months	Total Balance YTD	% of CY Beginning Balance
FSC Operations Opening Balance (Assets)	\$ 135,050		119,788	\$ 119,788	89%
Total Available	\$ 135,050	\$ -	\$ 119,788	\$ 119,788	89%
Expenses	Budget	June	Actual YTD Balance 12 months	Total YTD	% of Budget
5010 · Contract Support	\$ 52,500		45,391	\$ 45,391	86%
5030 · Giveaway Items	\$ 0			\$ -	0%
5040 · Internet Access & Website	\$ 4,000		3,393	\$ 3,393	85%
6100 · Advertising & Marketing	\$ 1,000			\$ -	0%
6115 · Bank Service Charges	\$ 600		1,010	\$ 1,010	168%
6120 · Business License & Fees	\$ 100		225	\$ 225	225%
6130 · Admin Services	\$ 24,940		27,920	\$ 27,920	112%
6141 · Computer Supplies	\$ 1,000		1,849	\$ 1,849	185%
6142 · Conference Fees	\$ 250		250	\$ 250	100%
6155 · Dues and Subscriptions	\$ 700		816	\$ 816	117%
6180 · Insurance	\$ 14,000		14,127	\$ 14,127	101%
6320 · Telephone	\$ 1,488		2,008	\$ 2,008	135%
6255 · Postage, Delivery & PO Box	\$ 200		78	\$ 78	39%
6265 · Printing and Reproduction	\$ 150		129	\$ 129	86%
6275 · Professional Fee	\$ 0		-	\$ -	0%
6276 · Legal Fee	\$ 5,000		-	\$ -	0%
6277 · Accounting Fees	\$ 5,000		5,564	\$ 5,564	111%
6295 · Rent	\$ 5,400		7,250	\$ 7,250	134%
6310 · Office Supplies	\$ 800		145	\$ 145	18%
6330 · Travel	\$ 610		610	\$ 610	100%
6336 · Meeting Expense	\$ 1,000		609	\$ 609	61%
6580 · Storage	\$ 1,200		1,200	\$ 1,200	100%
Total Expense Overhead	\$119,938	-	112,574	\$ 112,574	94%

YTD Expense Report -7/31/2024

FSC Operations	Beginning Balance	July	Actual YTD Balance 0 months	Total Balance YTD	% of CY Beginning Balance
FSC Operations Opening Balance (Assets)	\$ 119,788			\$ -	0%
Total Available	\$ 119,788	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0%
Expenses	Budget	July	Actual YTD Balance 0 months	Total YTD	% of Budget
5010 · Contract Support	\$ 60,000	\$ 4,587		\$ 4,587	8%
5030 · Giveaway Items	\$ 0			\$ -	0%
5040 · Internet Access & Website	\$ 20,000			\$ -	0%
6100 · Advertising & Marketing	\$ 1,000			\$ -	0%
6115 · Bank Service Charges	\$ 1,100	\$ 85		\$ 85	8%
6120 · Business License & Fees	\$ 250			\$ -	0%
6130 · Admin Services	\$ 37,000	\$ 3,691		\$ 3,691	10%
6141 · Computer Supplies	\$ 4,000	\$ 189		\$ 189	5%
6142 · Conference Fees	\$ 250			\$ -	0%
6155 · Dues and Subscriptions	\$ 1,285			\$ -	0%
6180 · Insurance	\$ 15,000			\$ -	0%
6320 · Telephone	\$ 1,800	\$ 148		\$ 148	8%
6255 · Postage, Delivery & PO Box	\$ 200	\$ 78		\$ 78	39%
6265 · Printing and Reproduction	\$ 150			\$ -	0%
6275 · Professional Fee	\$ 7,000			\$ -	0%
6276 · Legal Fee	\$ 5,000			\$ -	0%
6277 · Accounting Fees	\$ 9,500	\$ 420		\$ 420	4%
6295 · Rent	\$ 7,000	\$ 350		\$ 350	5%
6310 · Office Supplies	\$ 800	\$ 29		\$ 29	4%
6330 · Travel	\$ 500			\$ -	0%
6336 · Meeting Expense	\$ 1,000	\$ 160		\$ 160	16%
6580 · Storage	\$ 1,200	\$ 100		\$ 100	8%
Total Expense Overhead	\$174,035	9,837	-	\$ 9,837	6%

Active Projects Monthly Report

Report as of 7/31/2024

TITLE	GRANT END DATE	GRANT AWARD	CASH RECEIVED	CASH EXPENDED	REMAINING CASH	GRANT BALANCE NOT REC'D
Fuels Treatment						
USFS Stevens Auth Sierra Springs SS-2 (20-CA-11050300-013)	9/15/2025	\$ 250,000	198,400	195,549	2,851	\$ 51,600
USFS Stevens Auth Sierra Springs SS-2 (22-CA-11050300-015)	9/15/2025	\$ 309,000	1,382	1,382	-	\$ 307,618
USFS Stevens Auth Grizzly Flats GF-18 (20-CA-11050300-013)	9/15/2025	\$ 180,000	172,478	172,339	139	\$ 7,522
USFS Stevens Auth Grizzly Flats GF-18 (22-CA-11050300-015)	9/15/2025	\$ 150,000	972	972	-	\$ 149,028
USFS Stevens Auth Gold Ridge GRF (20-CA-11050300-013)	6/18/2025	\$ 150,000	149,625	148,847	778	\$ 375
USFS Stevens Auth Volcanoville (22-CA-11050300-015)	6/18/2025	\$ 132,000	694	694	-	\$ 131,306
USFS Stevens Auth Mosquito (22-CA-11050300-015)	6/18/2025	\$ 200,000	3,588	3,588	-	\$ 196,412
BLM Georgetown Fuel Break BLM L20AC00468	9/22/2025	\$ 990,000	559,798	559,798	-	\$ 430,202
CAL FIRE South County Fuel Reduction Project 5GG21199	3/15/2026	\$ 2,079,887	146,443	146,443	-	\$ 1,933,444
CAL FIRE Georgetown Marshal Road Fuel Reduction 5GA2129	3/15/2026	\$ 278,700	35,583	35,583	-	\$ 243,117
CAL FIRE Fuel Red for Critical Rds-Coloma Lotus 5GG21200	3/15/2026	\$ 705,670	249,381	249,381	-	\$ 456,289
CAL FIRE Residential Hazardous Tree Removal 5GG21198	3/15/2026	\$ 1,252,790	526,586	463,977	62,609	\$ 726,204
CAL FIRE Spanish Flat North Fuel Reduction Project 8GG21600	3/31/2026	\$ 4,890,440	84,249	97,718	(13,469)	\$ 4,806,191
TOTAL, FUELS TREATMENT		\$ 11,568,487	2,129,180	2,076,272	52,907	\$ 9,439,307
Defensible Space						
CA Fire Safe Council (Senior, Low Income, Disabled)	12/31/2024	\$ 500,000	191,316	193,271	(1,954)	\$ 308,684
SMUD (Senior Vereran, Low Income)	12/31/2024	\$ 20,000	20,000	-	20,000	\$ -
Title III 2014/2016 D-Space Allocation		\$ 70,000	70,000	64,870	5,130	\$ -
TOTAL, DEFENSIBLE SPACE		\$ 590,000	281,316	258,141	23,175	\$ 308,684
Chipping						
USFS Stevens Auth Chipping (20-CA-11050300-013)	6/18/2025	\$ 300,000		-	-	\$ 300,000
AQMD Chipping Grant	12/31/2026	\$ 355,000	150,000	34,504	115,496	\$ 205,000
CAL FIRE El Dorado Chipper 5GG20100	3/15/2025	\$ 987,289	728,020	764,837	(36,817)	\$ 259,269
TOTAL, CHIPPING		\$ 1,642,289	878,020	799,341	78,679	\$ 764,269
Miscellaneous Grants						
Title III 2022-23	9/1/2024	\$ 140,141	140,141	-	140,141	\$ -
Title III 2021/22	9/1/2023	\$ 16,447	16,448	16,799	(352)	\$ -
Title III 2021/22 Green Waste Days	9/1/2023	\$ 51,000	51,000	32,603	18,397	\$ -
Title III 2014/2016		\$ 24,273	24,273	14,830	9,443	\$ -
West Slope Foundation - Aukum Fairplay FSC		\$ 5,000	5,000	-	5,000	\$ -
West Slope Foundation - Grizzly Flats FSC		\$ 5,000	5,000	4,137	863	\$ -
TOTAL, MISCELLANEOUS GRANTS		\$241,862	\$241,862	\$68,370	\$173,492	\$0
Grant Total Grants		\$ 14,042,638	3,530,379	3,202,125	328,254	\$ 10,512,259

EL DORADO COUNTY FIRE SAFE COUNCIL

3. Bylaws

ARTICLE I. NAME AND OFFICES

Section 1.01 Name: The name of this corporation shall be the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council, hereinafter referred to as the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council, EDCFSC, or the Council.

Section 1.02 Principal Office: The principal office of this corporation shall be in ~~Diamond Springs, California 95619~~, Placerville, California, 95667, County of El Dorado and may be changed at any time, or from time to time at the discretion of the Board of Directors or “Board”.

MISSION STATEMENT AND GOALS

Section 2.01 Mission Statement: The mission of the EDCFSC is to protect the people of El Dorado County and their property from the effects of catastrophic wildfire through education, cooperation, innovation, and action.

Section 2.02 Goals:

- (a) Coordinate a County-wide Fire Plan, with the cooperation of local agencies.
- (b) Educate the public about fire threat and fire prevention measures.
- (c) Promote “Firewise” communities

Section 2.03 Limitations: This Corporation is a nonprofit public benefit corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law for charitable purposes. The corporation is organized for such purposes and shall satisfy the requirements of:

- (a) Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of the United States;
- (b) Section 23701(d) of the California Revenue and Taxation Code; and
- (c) Section 214 of the California Revenue and Taxation Code.

BUSINESS PRACTICES

Section 3.01 Code of Ethics: The EDCFSC is dedicated to its mission statement. Board members, agents, contractors and volunteers are dedicated to mutually assisting in the pursuit of this mission.

- (a) These individuals agree to respect the confidential nature of any information, procedures, or techniques they become aware of in their involvement with EDCFSC and will not disclose such confidential information outside of EDCFSC without written permission from the Board of Directors.
- (b) These individuals will never misrepresent their employment, intentions or professional affiliations.
- (c) These individuals will refrain from even the appearance of impropriety detrimental to the EDCFSC.
- (d) These individuals will use their best efforts to support the integrity and competence of the EDCFSC.