



COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

AGENDA ITEM NO.

C-10

For the meeting of: October 11, 2016

Date: Wednesday, September 21, 2016

To: Board of Supervisors

From: Thomas K. Mattson, Public Works Director

Subject: Humboldt County Fire Safe Council Five-Year Term Extension

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Review a staff report and associated supporting documents regarding a proposal to renew the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council ("HCFSC") for five years; and
2. Review and approve the attached resolution extending the HCFSC as amended; and
3. Review and approve the attached list of proposed HCFSC member appointees and alternates.

SOURCE OF FUNDING:

Title III of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act

DISCUSSION:

The HCFSC was formed in November 2002 for a term of two years to oversee the preparation of the Humboldt County Master Fire Protection Plan, which was updated in 2013 and renamed the

Prepared by Cybele Immitt

CAO Approval

Karen Clower

REVIEW:

Auditor JS County Counsel

Personnel

Risk Manager

Other

TYPE OF ITEM:

☒ Consent
☐ Departmental
☐ Public Hearing
☐ Other

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT

Upon motion of Supervisor Fennell
Seconded by Supervisor Bass
And unanimously carried by those members present,
The Board hereby adopts the recommended action
Contained in this report.

PREVIOUS ACTION/REFERRAL:

Board Order No. C-2, C-10, C-8

Meeting of: September 21, 2010; September 4, 2012; September 2, 2014

Dated:

October 11, 2016

Kathy Hayes, Clerk of the Board

By:

Bale Ebert

Humboldt County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). Since its initial formation, the term of the HCFSC has been extended seven times so that the HCFSC could continue to guide the maintenance and implementation of the CWPP. Your Board last extended the term of the HCFSC on September 2, 2014, with the adoption of Resolution No. 14-66. The current term of the HCFSC ended on September 2, 2016.

The HCFSC membership consists of individuals representing a variety of groups in fire management and community emergency preparedness. The HCFSC has proven to be an invaluable resource for the County as strategies are developed and funding is sought to carry out the recommendations of the CWPP. Please see Attachment 1 for a summary of HCFSC activities over the past two years.

Staff recommends that your Board adopts the attached resolution which extends the term of the HCFSC for an additional five (5) years (see, Attachment 2), as well as the proposed list of HCFSC member appointments and alternates provided in Attachment 3. This action will allow the HCFSC to continue to provide guidance to the County as the CWPP is implemented and maintained. This will be particularly important over the next several years as the CWPP must be updated by 2018, for which an update process is currently being developed.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

This action will not have an impact on the Humboldt County General Fund. The work of the HCFSC may give Humboldt County a competitive advantage when seeking grant funds related to the CWPP. Maintaining an active HCFSC is expected to have a net positive financial impact for the County and other program recipients. Staff will only provide the level of support to the HCFSC allowed by the availability of Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act, Title III funds (revenue line 1720289-505010) and/or other grant funding sources as they become available.

This proposed initiative aligns with the Board's Strategic Framework by advancing three of the County's core roles (provide for and maintain infrastructure, create opportunities for improved safety and health and protect vulnerable populations).

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Humboldt County Fire Chiefs' Association and the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council

ALTERNATIVES TO STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

Board discretion.

ATTACHMENTS:

Attachment 1: Summary of Humboldt County Fire Safe Council Activities
2014-2016

Attachment 2: Resolution Renewing the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council

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**Attachment 3: Proposed Humboldt County Fire Safe Council Member and Alternate
Appointments 2016-2021**

Attachment 1: Summary of Humboldt County Fire Safe Council Activities 2014-2016

Report Date: September 21, 2016

In spring of 2013, the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council (FSC) completed the process of updating and obtaining approval for the Humboldt County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP). The CWPP continues to serve as the guiding document for Humboldt County residents to reduce the risk of losses from wildfire. It identifies and prioritizes areas for hazardous fuel reduction treatments; and it recommends measures that homeowners and communities within the county can take to reduce structural ignitability. The CWPP was collaboratively developed with input from Humboldt County residents, local FSCs, the Humboldt County Fire Chiefs Association, the Six Rivers National Forest, the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE), the University of California Cooperative Extension, and others. Over the past years, the FSC has been working hard to secure funding and strategize to implement the 2013 CWPP.

The Humboldt County FSC is made up of 16 members, who are appointed by the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors (BOS). The current members of the FSC are affiliated with the following agencies and organizations:

- Briceland Fire Department
- Bureau of Land Management
- California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
- Fire Prevention Office from Six Rivers National Forest
- Fortuna Fire Department
- Garberville Fire Department
- George Petersen/Northwest Insurance
- Hoopa Tribe Office of Emergency Services
- Humboldt Bay Fire
- Humboldt County Fire Chiefs' Association
- Humboldt County Office of Emergency Services
- Humboldt County's Public



The map above illustrates CWPP Fire Planning Units as well as community workshop locations from the update process associated with the 2013 version of the plan.

Works Department

- Lower Mattole FSC (Mattole Restoration Council)
- Orleans/Somes Bar FSC (Mid-Klamath Watershed Council)
- Southern Humboldt Fire Chiefs' Association
- Southern Humboldt FSC (Eel River Salmon Restoration Project)
- Southern Humboldt Technical Rescue Team
- Van Duzen Watershed FSC
- Willow Creek FSC

The FSC is continuing to build upon efforts to increase fire safety and is providing guidance for implementing specific measures listed in the plan. The FSC has formed six CWPP Implementation Committees whose members are focused on carrying out the new priority recommendations identified in the 2013 CWPP's Countywide Action Plan.

The following pages contain activity summaries for these six FSC CWPP Implementation Committees; they are:

1. **Helping Firefighters Help You**
2. **Ensuring Adequate Water Supplies for Fighting Fire**
3. **Firewise Communities**
4. **Managing Hazardous Fuels**
5. **Maintaining Air Quality**
6. **Planning for Safe Evacuation**

1. HELP FIREFIGHTERS HELP YOU

Committee members: Ian Sigman, Lon Winburn, Bill Reynolds, Kai Ostrow, and Cybelle Immitt

CWPP Action Items 1-1.3 and 1.5:

- Enhancing Fire Protection: Helping Firefighters Protect the Community
- Improving the Level of Service of Fire Protection
- Securing Resources for Fire Protection
- Developing a Reliable Revenue Source for Fire Protection
- Improving Road and Home Address Signage

Progress:

This committee has been involved in exploring opportunities for generating sustainable revenue to support fire protection through fire district reorganization and formation. County staff (from the Public Works and Planning and Building Department) and committee members have been helping fire companies and fire protection districts to navigate complex local agency formation and expansion. They have attended Fire Chiefs' Association and Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) meetings as well as community meetings to discuss various options and report progress. They have assisted with paperwork and document preparation as well as the interpretation of relevant state laws. These efforts are being coordinated with LAFCO staff and members of the Humboldt County Fire Chiefs Association.

In 2015, Humboldt County voters approved funds for public safety through Measure Z, and the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors supported funding to the level of \$2,234,735 for rural fire. These funds have been used to purchase basic safety equipment to bring rural fire departments up to a

minimum level in the first year. Additional Measure Z funding has been used to pay fire department dispatch fees and to fund County planning assistance to help with the establishment and expansion of fire related districts or other measures to address the lack of complete community coverage and sustainable revenue. County staff has worked closely with the following fire departments on a variety of initiatives:

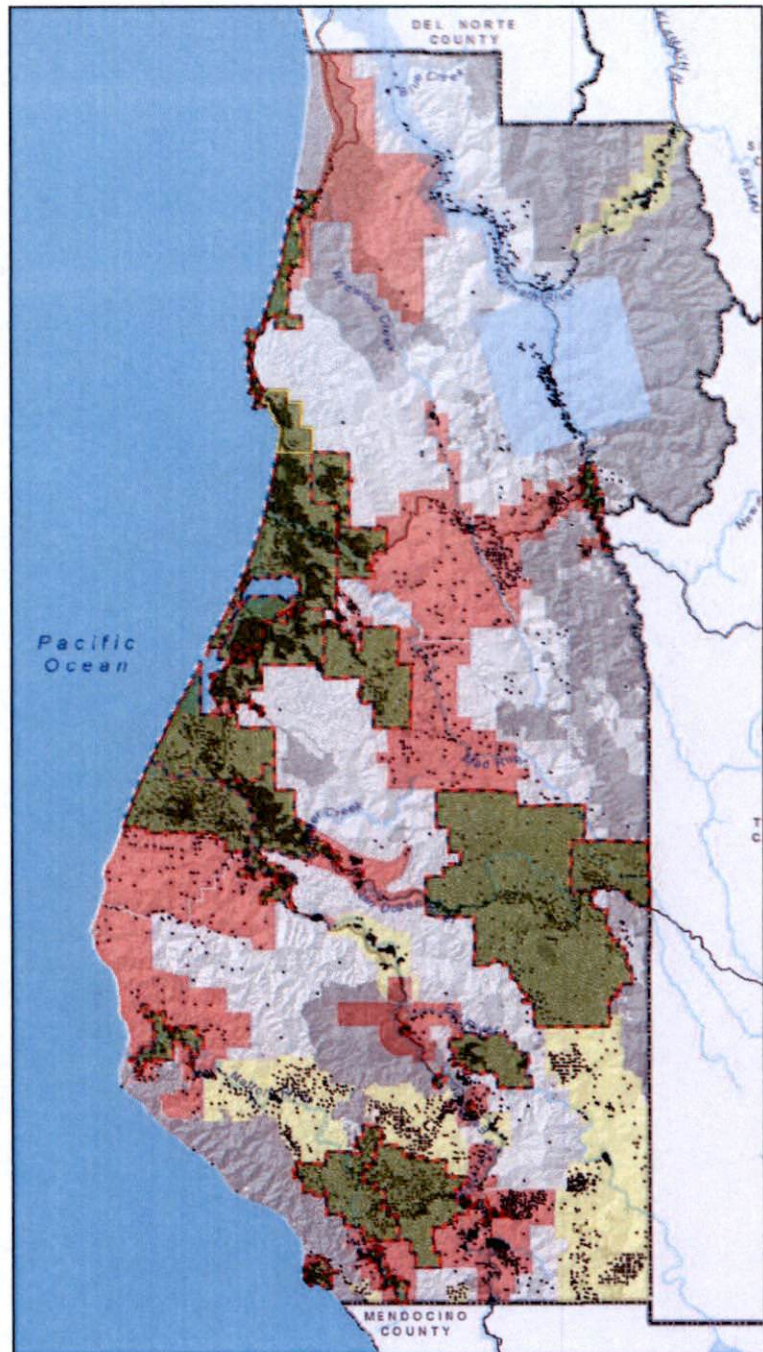
- The Avenues Fire Cooperative has been reactivated as a forum to strategize about how to sustain and improve emergency fire and rescue services delivered by local fire departments along the Avenue of the Giants and greater area – from the response areas of Phillipsville to Redcrest – including Salmon Creek, Miranda, Fruitland Ridge, Myers Flat, and Weott). Options are being evaluated, ranging from individual district formations and annexations to an area-wide consolidation. This work is ongoing.
- Garberville Fire Protection District (FPD) has done analysis to identify the necessary work involved in expanding the district and establishing a sustainable revenue source for the new area. This work continues with the objective of applying to LAFCO to annex the service area that is currently outside the district. This work is ongoing.
- Representatives of the Willow Creek FPD, Blue Lake FPD, and the Kneeland FPD along with County personnel, LAFCO staff, and members of the BOS have been working together to address the “Mad River/Redwood Creek Study Area”, which is outside of any fire related district and includes the Highway 299 corridor (where there is a large number of vehicle collisions each year) and the communities of Maple Creek, Redwood Valley, Chezem, Titlow Hill, Brannon Mountain, and Friday Ridge. This work is ongoing.
- Honeydew Volunteer Fire Company does not have an official jurisdiction and is currently interested in gathering information to evaluate the feasibility of the company forming a district. This work is ongoing.
- Fieldbrook FPD completed an annexation process to expand their fire service boundary (service provided by the Fieldbrook Volunteer Fire Department). This work is expected to be complete in 2016.
- Fruitland Ridge FPD sought and won formal Fire District formation in 2015.
- Telegraph Ridge FPD completed their annexation of approximately 9,000 acres to the district in 2015.
- Analysis was done to identify the necessary work involved in expanding the Petrolia FPD. This included mapping, revenue data sheets, and consultations with a BOS member and County Administrative Office (CAO) staff to identify potential revenue sources. After reviewing all of the information, the Petrolia Board decided not to move forward with an expansion at this time.
- A consolidation plan was evaluated for the out of jurisdiction areas that the Rio Dell, Scotia, and Redcrest Fire Departments respond to.

Humboldt County Map of Fire Services

The map to the right illustrates where and what type of local fire protection is provided through Humboldt County. This map has been used to assist FSC members and staff track and support the planning of new annexations, district formations, and consolidations. "Fire Related Districts", shown in green, were formed to provide services within a specific jurisdictional boundary and are supported from a combination of taxes, fees, and fundraising.

There are many areas outside the boundaries of an established jurisdiction that receive fire protection from district resources responding outside of their jurisdiction; these areas are referred to as "Out of District Response Areas", shown in red. District fire departments provide service to these areas even though they are under no obligation to do so and receive no compensation for their service, other than donations. This practice can put a strain on already limited resources.

In addition, there are many areas outside the boundaries of an established district that receive fire protection from a volunteer fire company that is not affiliated with a district. These volunteer fire companies receive no tax revenue and for that reason are identified as "Non-District Fire Companies". The survival of these fire companies depends on revenue generated from community donations, fundraisers, and grants. Some communities are more supportive of their local fire companies than others and support can fluctuate dramatically depending on local economic conditions. Providing all of our communities with reliable fire protection, delivered within specific jurisdictional areas, by high capacity fire departments, supported by sustainable revenue sources is the desired outcome of this initiative.



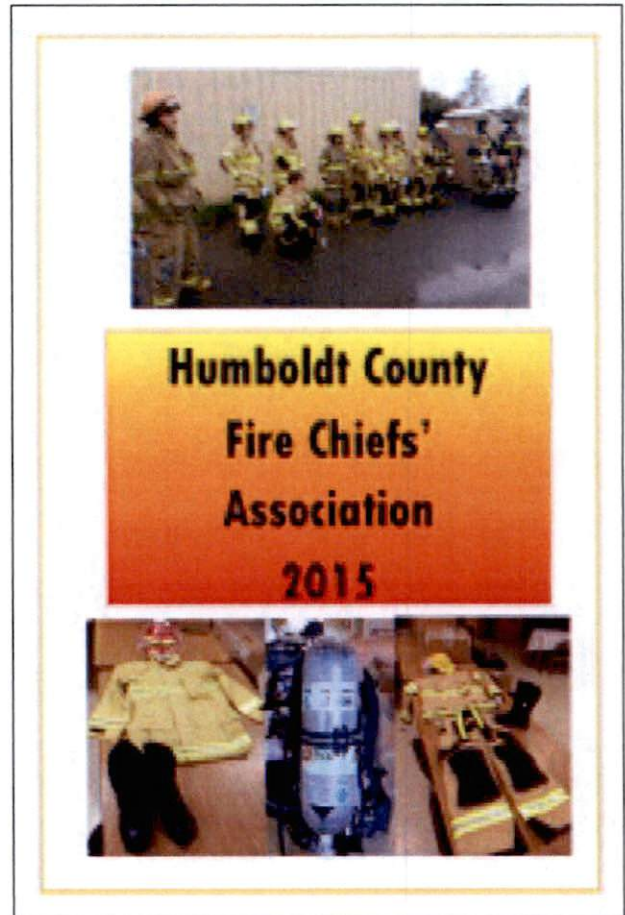
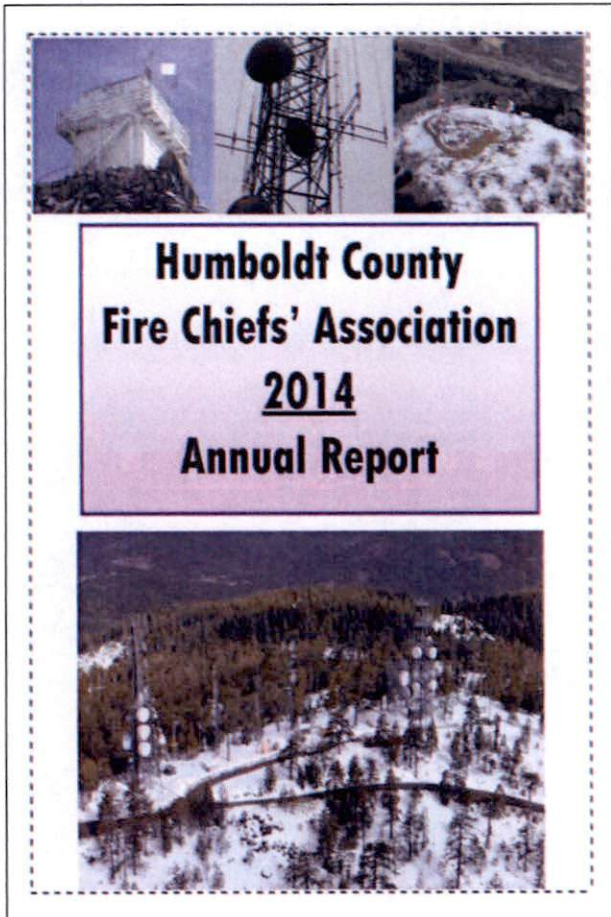
Fire Related Districts

Out of District Response Areas

Non-District Fire Companies

Tribal Lands

The "Helping Firefighters" Committee also continues to assist in the production of the "Fire' Chiefs Association Annual Fire Services Report," which can be used as a directory of the local fire protection agencies within the county. In addition to contact information and a brief description of the department and its staff, services, accomplishments and challenges, the Annual Report documents the number of volunteer hours contributed by each department that year. This documentation helps demonstrate the importance of the services provided by local volunteer fire departments and their massive contribution to upholding public safety in Humboldt communities.



Lastly, the Firewise Communities program is continuing work to educate community members on the importance of posting property address and road signs to assist emergency responders in locating incidents.

2. ENSURING ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLIES FOR FIGHTING FIRE

Committee members: Jean-Louis Carmona, Bill Eastwood, and Kai Ostrow

CWPP Action Items 1.4:

- Ensuring Adequate Water Supplies for Fighting Fire

Progress:

Water is critical for successful firefighting and this committee is working on several initiatives to educate the public and establish more water sources. A funding plan and design are underway for the development of materials (posters, handouts, and example kits) that can be used to inform residents and retailers about the proper way to set up a firefighter-friendly water system. Information about how to prepare a water system for firefighting is also included in the Living with Wildfire in Northwestern California publication discussed below.

This committee has also worked to identify funding sources for the purchase of water tanks for fire stations, residences, and other strategic locations. This has proved to be challenging for a variety of reasons. For instance, large water tank projects must undergo environmental compliance review as well as engineering designs before funding can be approved and funders are primarily interested in providing funding for drinking water projects. This work is ongoing.

3. FIREWISE COMMUNITIES

Committee members: Bill Eastwood, Barbara Darst, Robert Rivelle, Debra Harris, and Cybelle Immitt

CWPP Action Items 3 and 4:


- Creating Fire-Safe Communities:
Empowering Residents to Take Responsibility
- Promoting Fire-Safe Education

Progress:

Since 2010, the FSC has been involved in helping individual Communities pursue recognition as Firewise Communities. The Firewise Communities/USA Recognition Program empowers communities to work together in reducing their wildfire risk. Over the past two years, Hydesville (2015) and Kneeland (2015) successfully earned Firewise recognition and joined the list of Humboldt County's Firewise Communities. FSC staff is also in the process of working with the Blue Lake FPD, CAL FIRE and residents of the Liscom Hill neighborhood to assess the community for wildfire risks and develop a Firewise action plan. In addition, the FSC has helped to ensure that the existing Firewise


Orleans FIREWISE DAY 2016!

Thursday May 26th 1-5 pm
Orleans Elementary



Fun for the whole family!

- Firewise Obstacle Course
- Cross Cut Saw demonstration
- Smokey Bear
- Fire Engines "show me" tour
- Home water systems for fire fighting accessibility
- Home Risk Reduction information
- Prizes!
- Ice Cream!



This event is being brought to you by the Orleans Firewise Committee, with representation from CVFD, the Keriak Tribe, MCHC, and the Orleans District of USFS. Funding assistance from Humboldt County Title III.
For more information call Nancy: 827-3292, Roberta: 827-3258, or Johnny 827-3272

Communities are able to fulfill the requirements necessary to maintain their Firewise status from year to year. There are now a total of 10 Firewise communities in Humboldt County.

Funds from the Title III Secure Rural Schools Act were made available for nine Firewise projects in 2015 and 5 projects in 2016. A total of 14 mini-grant project proposals were approved and \$77,000 was invested by the County in community Firewise activities. Projects were implemented in the communities of Blue Lake (Liscom Hill), Bridgeville, Willow Creek, Hydesville, Orleans, Kneeland, Shelter Cove, Redwood Valley, Honeydew, and Petrolia. Types of Firewise projects included:

- Developing and/or updating Firewise Community Assessments and Action Plans;
- Holding Firewise Day events, such as Willow Creek's "13th Annual Firewise Community Fair" and Orleans' "2016 Firewise Day";
- Demonstration projects to model defensible space and fuel breaks;
- Community chipping programs;
- Educating residents on techniques, creating defensible space, and general emergency preparedness; and
- Documentation of the Firewise mini-grant projects, including before and after photographs and summarizing the project activities for widespread community education. Brigade



My Fire Inspection Checklist

Become an official Fire Safety Inspector!

Make sure your home is safe and inspect for risks. Ask a grown up for help.

If the item is safe color the star GREEN. ★ If the item is unsafe color the star RED. ★
If you are not sure color the star YELLOW ★

OUTSIDE	
★ My house has cleared (or green) space around it. The closest 30 feet does not have tall grass or brush.	★ The chimney has been inspected and cleaned in the last year.
★ The closest 100 feet (called "Defensible Space") to my house does not have tall grass or brush.	★ The clothes dryer has a clean vent and filter (see last build-up).
INSIDE	
★ All escape routes are clear of clutter and easily accessible.	★ A grown-up always stays in the kitchen whenever food is cooking on the stove top.
★ Curtains and other things that can burn are away from the stovetop.	★ The electrical cords are in good condition (not damaged). Extension cords are not under carpets or across walking areas.

If any of your stars are yellow or red, ask a grownup to make it safe.

Parent Signature: _____

Images:

Above top – Children and parents in Orleans learn about CAL FIRE engine gear.

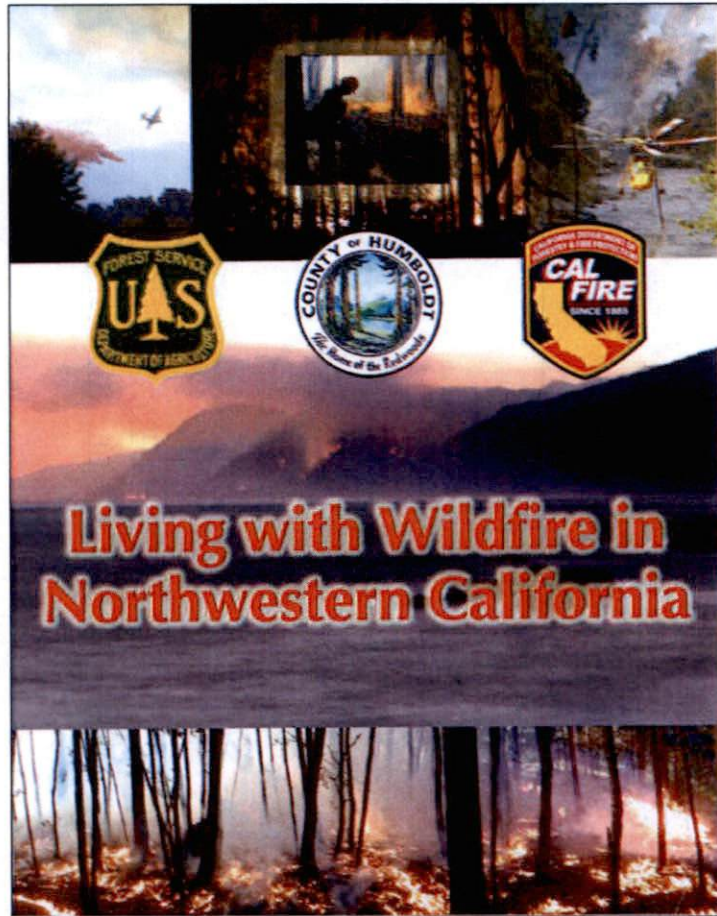
Above bottom - In addition to the yearly fire education demonstrations during Orleans's 2016 Firewise Event, invitations were sent home to parents of the Orleans Elementary School Children along with a Fire Inspection Checklist to be filled out by children and their parents and returned during the event (this was also done in Kneeland).

Left – children and firefighters have a blast participating in the bucket brigade in Kneeland

In 2015, Humboldt County, Six Rivers National Forest, and CAL FIRE, collaborated to produce the publication *Living with Wildfire in Northwestern California*. Agency representatives presented this publication to the County Board of Supervisors on June 16, 2015. The primary purpose of the publication is to help reduce human-caused wildfires, increase homeowner participation in efforts to create wildfire-resilient communities, and increase resident and visitor awareness of fire safety and prevention.

One of the goals is for anyone who lives adjacent to or within the forest boundary and visitors to the national forest or state and national parks to receive and review the publication. It is important for rural residents who live in high to very high fire hazard severity areas to have this publication on hand and use it to make improvements to mitigate potential damage from wildfire and prepare for evacuation. The information put together in *Living with Wildfire* can help community members and visitors to stay safe throughout the fire season.

This publication also illustrates the many ways Fire Safe Councils and Firewise communities help fire departments and residents create more resilient fire environments, focused on public safety, and minimization of property loss. Copies of *Living with Wildfire* are available at all Six Rivers National Forest offices, Redwood State and National Forest visitor centers, all Cal Fire stations, local fire halls, and fire safe council offices, and at local events such as community or county fairs. The publication is also available on the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council website at: www.humboldt.gov/1853/Publications



4. MANAGING HAZARDOUS FUELS

Committee members: James Courtright, and Chris Ramey/Jason Butcher.

CWPP Action Item 6 and 12:

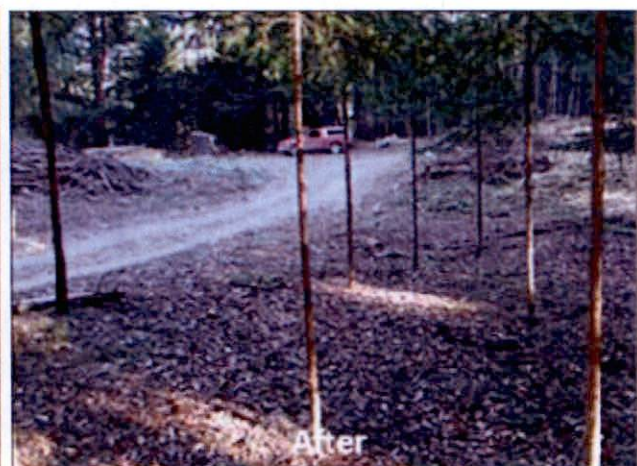
- Reducing Hazardous Fuels Throughout Humboldt County
- Utilizing Excess Fuels

Progress:

This Committee tracks fuels reduction work and supports staff in the pursuit of funds for projects that mitigate fuel hazards. In 2014, additional funds to support the continuation of the Fire-Adapted Landscapes and Safe Homes (FLASH) program were awarded through the California Fire Safe Council State Clearinghouse in the amount of \$200,000. These federal dollars were matched by over \$209,000

of local in-kind support. This is a cost-share program designed to assist property owners with the job of reducing their risk to wildfire by thinning flammable vegetation around their homes and along their access routes. The funding covers approximately 50% of the cost of the work with a rebate and the property owner's payment or labor for the balance is counted as match. The goal of this project was to treat 140 acres and 170 acres were treated. All FLASH contractors surpassed the acreage and participant targets for their respective areas. Seventy-one property owners completed fuels reduction projects on their land, 72 home risk assessments were completed, and 145 site visits were conducted. Each of these property owner/FLASH Technician interactions was an educational opportunity and served as a means to widely share the fire safety message. Some landowners have also followed through with fire safety measures as recommended during the home risk assessments, in addition to the fuels reduction; such as hardening their homes and developing water sources.

In 2016 Humboldt County was one of 20 projects in the state to have a Clearinghouse proposal selected for funding. The County will be awarded \$127,800 to continue the FLASH program through 2018. Humboldt County's continued hard work is highlighted with this award, as there were a total 53 applications submitted, making the selection process highly competitive.



In addition, CAL FIRE has received State Responsibility Area (SRA) funding to continue fuel reduction efforts and add 17 firefighters to assist with these projects. In 2016, they treated 88 acres of hazardous

fuels; 40 burn piles; 102 hours on a chipper, chipped 460 yards of hazardous fuels; and logged 108 chainsaw hours. Ten projects were successfully completed, with two of the projects on-going. They would like to develop larger scale fuels reduction projects and increase efforts in prescribed burns by reinvigorating their Vegetation Management (VMP) cost-share program. Currently they are working with landowners in the Bridgeville area with the Natural Resources Conservation Service, Yoger Environmental Stewards, and the Northern California Prescribed Fire Council. Local organizations also applied for and were granted an additional \$200,000 in SRA funding to support fuels reduction programs. Recipients of this grant are the Shelter Cove Resort Improvement District, the Mattole Restoration Council, and Terra Fuego (for a project located on Yurok land).

5. MAINTAINING AIR QUALITY

Committee members: James Courtright, Jason Butcher, Will Harling, and Debra Harris

CWPP Action Item 13:

- Maintaining Air Quality

Progress:

A dedicated representative of the North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District (NCUAQMD) has been an active participant in FSC activities, sharing pertinent information and keeping FSC members abreast of new air quality regulations. This representative facilitates the activities of this committee and continues to initiate meetings and discussions focused on developing ways to achieve CWPP air quality management goals within Humboldt County.

Community education and outreach is the emphasis for this committee's goals. NCUAQMD participated in the coordinated project to develop and produce the publication *Living with Wildfire in Northwestern California*. Air quality information and regulations are included in this publication. The NCUAQMD has also developed Twitter and Facebook accounts to educate the public about open burning, burn regulations, and how to obtain a burn permit. These new education methods are in addition to the NCUAQMD's website.

Over the last few wildfire seasons local agencies, tribal entities, CAL OES and the USFS had seen the need for additional fire monitoring equipment. CAL OES and the USFS recognize that due to terrain, meteorological conditions and numerous wildfires in the area, smoke tends to stay localized for extended periods of time. In response to the need, additional monitors were purchased and a cache of monitors was placed in Redding, CA, which can be deployed in Humboldt County as needed. During the 2015 Wildfire Season, numerous monitors were made available and sited at various locations. The placement of monitors in and around the fires and population centers was invaluable in providing real-time hourly information to the NCUAQMD and Air Resource Advisors assigned to the fires. This information along with Weather Data provided by NOAA and the Incident Meteorologist, assisted in the production of timely advisories, alerts and notifications.

6. PLANNING FOR SAFE EVACUATIONS

Committee members: Will Harling, Robert Rivelle, Laura Coleman, Lon Winbyrn, Barbara Darst, Kai Ostrow, and Dorie Lanni.

CWPP Action Item 8 and 10:

- Ensuring Safe and Effective Evacuation
- Enhancing Emergency Notification Systems

Progress:

The goal of this committee is to continue to support and enhance effective communication between all fire agencies, emergency medical services, and allied agencies. These partnerships are critical to the health and safety of local residents and emergency services personnel. With this goal in mind, FSC members are involved in the Humboldt County Office of Emergency Services effort to create a county evacuation plan. An evacuation planning booklet and a template for incident specific evacuation plans are being drafted. Community liaisons are also being identified to help in compiling resources and assist during incidents. They are also in the early stages of improving the mass notification system for Humboldt County use during large emergency situations.

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RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE HUMBOLDT COUNTY FIRE SAFE COUNCIL FOR AN ADDITIONAL SIXTY (60) MONTHS

WHEREAS, this resolution affirms the intent of the County of Humboldt to extend the term of a collaborative, countywide Fire Safe Council that will oversee the maintenance and implementation of the Humboldt County Community Wildfire Protection Plan ("CWPP"); and

WHEREAS, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors recognizes the value of maintaining and implementing the countywide CWPP for the development and implementation of community fire safe programs and activities between public agencies and private sector landowners/participants within Humboldt County; and

WHEREAS, this resolution recognizes that the development of community-based CWPPs is a concept born out of the statewide Fire Safe Council whose mission is to mobilize all "Californians to protect their homes, communities and environments from wildfire;" and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors recognizes that the formation and maintenance of a County fire safe council furthers the goals of the National Fire Protection Association's Firewise Communities program which encourages local solutions for wildfire safety by involving homeowners, community leaders, planners, developers, firefighters and others in the effort to protect people and property from the risk of wildfire; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors supports the continuation of the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council to serve as a forum for the implementation of the measures outlined in the CWPP, share fire-safety related information, assess fire risk, promote community fire-safe planning and coordination, link fire-prevention programs and support the fire service and local fire safe councils; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors, through the creation of the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council, shall encourage the development of local fire safe councils dedicated to reducing the vulnerability of communities to damaging wildfires. Activities shall take place in accordance with management principles which protect and enhance the forest, range, and watershed values of our coastal, interior valleys, and mountain ecosystems.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board of Supervisors hereby extends the term of the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council for an additional sixty (60) months from the date of adoption of this resolution, subject to the following provisions:

A. ESTABLISHMENT OF FIRE SAFE COUNCIL:

A committee for the County of Humboldt, to be known as the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council, established pursuant to Section 26152 of the Government Code is hereby extended.

B. PURPOSE:

The purpose of the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council is to oversee the maintenance and implementation of the CWPP, of concern to the County of Humboldt and, when appropriate, to inform and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

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C. APPOINTMENT AND TERM OF MEMBERS:

The committee shall consist of sixteen (16) members; thirteen (13) shall be voting members and three (3) non-voting members:

1. Three (3) non-voting members shall be appointed as follows: The Public Works Director or designee shall act as liaison for communication between the committee and the Board of Supervisors and one (1) member from each the Six Rivers National Forest and the Bureau of Land Management shall act as federal liaisons.
2. Five (5) of the voting members shall be appointed as follows: each member of the Board of Supervisors shall appoint one (1) member. Such members need not reside in the supervisorial district of the appointing Supervisor. If possible, the Board shall appoint two (2) representatives from local fire protection organizations, two (2) representatives from local fire safe councils and one (1) representative from the insurance industry.
3. Four (4) of the voting members shall be appointed at-large by a majority of the Board of Supervisors. If possible, the Board shall appoint three (3) representatives from local fire safe councils and one (1) representative from a local fire protection organization.
4. Four (4) of the voting members appointed shall include one (1) representative nominated by each of the following agencies and organizations: Humboldt County Fire Chiefs Association, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Hoopa Valley Tribe and the Humboldt County Office of Emergency Services.
5. All voting members shall serve terms that shall commence on the date of their appointment and shall expire sixty (60) months from the date this resolution is adopted by the Board of Supervisors. The committee voting members shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Supervisors. The voting members shall designate a Chair and Vice-Chair from the voting members.
6. A designated alternate shall be appointed for each voting member and serve terms that commence on the date of their appointment and expire sixty (60) months from the date this resolution is adopted by the Board of Supervisors. Alternates shall vote only in the absence of their associated FSC member.

D. FUNCTIONS:

The Humboldt County Fire Safe Council shall serve in an advisory capacity to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Humboldt in accordance with the following guidelines:

1. The committee shall oversee the maintenance and implementation of the CWPP and consider related Fire Safe Council matters within the authority of the Board of Supervisors.

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2. The committee shall encourage development of local volunteer fire safe councils and broad voluntary participation on the part of the local fire safe councils, private landowners and public agency partnerships.
3. The committee shall maintain and update criteria for the evaluation of projects that are eligible for funding under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act, Title III, as such funding becomes available.

E. MEETINGS:

1. The committee shall hold quarterly meetings at the call of the Chair at such place as is designated by the Chair. More frequent meetings may be held, or subcommittees may be formed and hold meetings, as necessary to ensure a consistent effort to implement the measures outlined in the CWPP.
2. A special committee meeting may be called at any time by the Chair. Such special meeting shall be effective for the transaction of business only if a quorum is present. Only subject(s) mentioned in the call of such special meeting shall be considered at the meeting.
3. Seven (7) voting members of the committee shall constitute a quorum. No official action may be taken by said committee without a quorum.
4. All meetings of said committee shall be open to the public. Subject to reasonable restrictions by the Chair as to order of presentation, length of time and subject matter, any person may be allowed to express himself at a committee meeting regarding business of the committee.

F. REMOVAL OF MEMBERS FOR FAILURE TO ATTEND MEETINGS:

A committee member absent from three (3) consecutive scheduled committee meetings without appropriate and reasonable excuse may be removed from the committee for such absence and a new member may be appointed pursuant to the appointment provisions of this resolution.

Dated: October 11, 2016



MARK LOVELACE, Chair
Humboldt County Board of Supervisors

Adopted on motion by Supervisor Fennell, seconded by Supervisor Bass, and the following vote:

AYES:	Supervisors	Sundberg, Fennell, Lovelace, Bohn, Bass
NAYS:	Supervisors	--
ABSENT:	Supervisors	--
ABSTAIN:	Supervisors	--

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF HUMBOLDT, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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RESOLUTION NO. 16-119

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
County of Humboldt)

I, KATHY HAYES, Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, County of Humboldt, State of California, do hereby certify the foregoing to be an original made in the above-entitled matter by said Board of Supervisors at a meeting held in Eureka, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of said Board of Supervisors.



By ANA HARTWELL

Deputy Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the
County of Humboldt, State of California

Attachment 3:
Proposed Humboldt County Fire Safe Council Member and Alternate Appointments
2016-2021

	Member	Representing	Alternate
1.	Barbara Darst, Member, Willow Creek FSC	At-Large (Local FSC)	Joe O'Hara, Member, Willow Creek FSC
2.	Bill Eastwood, Project Coordinator, Southern Humboldt Fire Safe Council	At-Large (Local FSC)	Dave Kahan, Southern Humboldt Fire Safe Council
3.	Dorie Lanni, Emergency Services Manager, Humboldt County Office of Emergency Services	Office of Emergency Services	Bryan Lee, Administrative Analyst, Humboldt County Office of Emergency Services
4.	Kai Ostrow, Briceland Fire Department and Southern Humboldt Technical Rescue Team	Supervisory District 2 (Local Fire Department)	Aurora Studebaker, Briceland Fire Department and Southern Humboldt Technical Rescue Team
5.	Mike Lake, Member, Southern Humboldt Fire Chiefs Association, Chief, Fruitland Ridge Fire Protection District	At-Large (Local fire department) Southern Humboldt Fire Chiefs Association	Robert Richardson, Chief Miranda Fire Department and President, Southern Humboldt Fire Chiefs Association
6.	Ian Sigman, Lower Mattole Fire Safe Council/Honeydew Fire Department, Business Owner, Farmer	Supervisory District 1 (Local FSC)	Ali Freedlund, Lower Mattole FSC and Mattole Restoration Council
7.	Jean-Louis Carmona, Van Duzen Watershed Fire Safe Council, Director	At-Large (Local FSC)	None
8.	Lon Winburn, Chief, Fortuna Fire Protection District	Humboldt County Fire Chiefs' Association	Bill Gillespie, Chief, Humboldt Bay Fire
9.	Manny Mello, George Petersen/Northwest Insurance	Supervisory District 4 (Insurance)	None
10.	Ronald McLaughlin, Battalion Chief, CAL FIRE	CAL FIRE	Jason Butcher, SRA Forester, CAL FIRE
11.	Robert Rivelle, Fire Prevention Officer, Forest Service	Six Rivers National Forest (Non-voting)	James Courtright, Deputy Interagency Fire Chief
12.	Rod Mendes, Director, Hoopa Tribe Office of Emergency Services and Chief Hoopa Fire Department	Hoopa Valley Tribe	Serene Hayden, Coordinator, Hoopa Tribe Office of Emergency Services
13.	Tim Jones, Fire Management Officer, Arcata Field Office, Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	BLM (Non-voting)	N/A
14.	Tom Mattson, Director, Humboldt County Public Works	County of Humboldt (Non-voting)	N/A
15.	Will Harling, Director, Orleans/Somes Bar Fire Safe Council	Supervisory District 5 (Local FSC)	Nancy Bailey, Orleans/Somes Bar FSC
16.	William Reynolds, Deputy Fire Chief, Humboldt Bay Fire	Supervisory District 3 (Local Fire Department)	Chris Emmons, Battalion Chief, Humboldt Bay Fire