



Council Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, September 13, 2023 6:30pm – 8:00pm

Alcouffe Community Center (9185 Marysville Road, Oregon House, CA 95962)

- **Welcome**
- **Public Comments:**
 - **Francis:** How to get on the Yuba Roadside treatment program Phase II – Manzanita Ln and Citron Way. Allison said they can be added to the waitlist since they are not part of the first phase within the current treatment area.
- **Special Presentation:** John Stone OES – Yuba County Fire Prevention Officer
 - John has been in the positions of Fire Prevention Officer and All-Hazards Liaison Officer for 2 years.
 - He highlighted some of his duties which include but are not limited to:
 - Enforcing Fire Safety codes and other Ordinances and Development
 - Grant Funding
 - Conflict Resolution
 - Responding to all emergencies and disasters in Yuba County
 - Outreach
 - Conduit of information between incident personnel and cooperating organizations.
 - A full outline of his duties can be found at [Yuba County Job Descriptions](#)
- **Partner Reports:**
 - **USFS-Tahoe National Forest** – Chris McCandless & Rita Clipperton
 - Trapper Streamflow Enhancement: 100 acres more completed; 600 completed total (500 to burn this fall)
 - Yuba Unit D 356 acres understory burn
 - Helicopter 514 was used in August and had 9-10 repels.
 - Tahoe Hot Shots up in 6 Rivers with Gabe Foster
 - **Natural Resources Conservation Service** – Diego Camacho Molina
 - Applications for all projects should be in by December to be considered for 1st distribution. Recipients should hear by January.
 - Hired 2 new Employees so we should not have any backlog.
 - Next meeting they should have a better idea of what kind of funding and programs they will have next year
 - **CAL FIRE** – Mickey Chizek
 - No talk about lifting burn ban yet
 - 4 Employees sent to Hawaii for 2 months, 2 to Siskiyou
 - Less than 300,000 black acres this year
 - Fuels Moisture values average for last 20 years but more than the last few years.

- **Yuba County Office of Emergency Services – John Stone**
 - Water availability
 - John and Supervisor Messick met about water availability and met with the Chiefs to get more tenders and hydrants. Met with Congressman Kiley and local fire chiefs about Firefighter Paycheck Protection Act and Changes in FEMA Alert and warning and best practices.
 - Participated in training from HHS on sheltering.
 - Working on resolving power outage Oregon Peak

- **Yuba County Resource Conservation District – DJ Baker**
 - Approving sites for Cal Recycle grants on Yuba County side of river
 - Looking for 2 more Board members
 - DJ looking at new grants for foothills and Valley for orchards and rice growers

- **Sierra Nevada Conservancy – Chris Dallas**
 - Quarterly Board meeting: next meeting will be the first Wednesday of December in Yuba County; the Board Tour will emphasize biomass

- **Sierra Pacific Industries – Joe King**
 - Accomplished a lot of mastication in Brownsville this spring. About 450 more acres to do through a Forest Health grant.

- **YWP&FSC Reports:**
 - Outreach-Education Committee – Beverly Cameron-Fildes
 - We have been tabling at various events. Looking for volunteers for these events.
 - Will be at the Food and Water Festival on the 30th, looking for volunteers.
 - The calendar is still looking for photos

 - Firewise/Programs Report – Sandie Marotti-Huckins
 - 2 new Firewise communities are moving along. Moonshine Rd residents in Camptonville are working on Mitigation Reviews and mapping. Sunnyside Ln in Oregon House is working on roadside clearing and chipping. As well as Mitigation Reviews.
 - Working with a new Chipper – Freedom Forest Management
 - The current round of funding for our Chipper program closes November 15.
 - Defensible Space Cost Share has closed as of July 31. We are working on some new funding for both cost share programs for home hardening and defensible space.
 - Address signs – About 12 new requests in August.

 - Board Report – Sean Griffis
 - The board recently voted Patrick Straight as the 5th Board member

 - Executive Director Report – Allison Thomson
 - Roadside fuel reduction project:
 - Next community meeting is tomorrow night: Sept 14 at 6:00pm
 - RFP is going out toward the end of September – reach out to get on the list
 - Community Wildfire Protection Plan Update:
 - Still waiting on the funding to be finalized
 - The project team (Yuba County FPR, RCD, CCP, YWPFSC) will be meeting next week to start planning out details and getting going on this project.

- Big thanks to Beverly and Sandie for all the work they're doing on outreach and keeping our residential programs going.
- Grants:
 - Working on an application to YWA to support our residential programs

The next council meeting will be October 11, 9:30am at the Alcouffe Center and on Zoom.