

## **Foresthill / Iowa Hill Fire Safe Council February 25, 2009 Meeting Notes**

Meeting called to order.

Reading of the minutes approved.

### **General Items:**

1. 2009 Clearinghouse Grant Projects
  - Todd Valley Phase 2 has been submitted to the Clearinghouse.
  - Pipeline Phase 2 has been submitted to the Clearinghouse.
2. 2009 Stimulus Package Funding
  - The US Forest Service called and wanted to know what projects that we are looking at that have not been submitted to the Clearinghouse.
  - The projects that Lu and Gary came up with are Michigan Bluff for 100 acres, Eagle Crest for 28 acres and Mosquito Ridge for 20 acres.
  - These projects were given to the US Forest Service. If they get funded they have to be done this year. Short turn around time.
  - Iowa Hill Fire Company put in three grants through the Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council.
3. Leave Early or Stay and Defend (handouts)
  - If you read through the handouts it is still up in the air as what to do. There is no policy in place.
4. Members needed for the Joint Nevada/Placer County Resource Advisory Committee
  - They are looking for anyone who is interested in joining this committee.

### **Community Education:**

#### **Grant Updates:**

1. Street Sign Update
  - All the signs have been installed by the fire crews. This job is complete until we order more signs for streets that do not currently have any.
2. Emergency Escape Route Signs
  - We are just waiting for the Chief to approve the Emergency plan as he is working on this.
  - OES has completed the mapping and it is correct.
3. Todd Valley Fuel Breaks
  - We are almost complete with getting the property owners on board. We have only had one property owner say no and we were able to work the project around him.
  - We should have the environmental impact done here soon. And once we receive that paperwork then it will be put out to bid. We are looking at an April start time for this project.
  - Has to be completed by August 2009.
4. Pipeline 1 Fuel Break
  - Environmental evaluation is nearly complete.
  - Flagging is complete.

- Bids are in and will be awarded next week. As soon as the weather is clear then the project is a go.
5. Rooster Ridge Fuel Break
- We are still waiting for our contract from the Clearinghouse. That should be any day now.

**Group Reports-**

**PCFSA-**

**Placer County Fire Safe Alliance** – They are still waiting to see where the funding is going. Everyone is in a holding pattern right now. BOR is now attending the meetings on a regular basis. He has talked about how Cal Fire and BOR no longer have a contract. Lincoln area is looking at starting a Fire Safe Council.

**DAT-**

**Disaster Action Team** – There is not a lot going on at this time. There are questions if the Wildfire on the Divide is going to take place again this year. This will happen later this year. Also, they want to know if there is an Emergency Plan available. The plan should be available around the first part of March. The Community Center is requesting a copy. The question has been brought up that with the black out (no power) on Saturday are we going to have a warming shelter available. Unknown.

**FFPD-**

**Foresthill Fire Protection District** – Nothing to significant, we are currently at 83 calls.

**Cal Fire**

**California Department of Forestry** – There will be a lot of projects in Sierra and Yuba Counties. There is a meeting, wildland interface, scheduled for June 26<sup>th</sup> in Foresthill that will cover Sierra ecology, forest history, water shed health etc. Ed is accepting applications for 2009-2010.

**BLM-**

N/A

**USFS-**

N/A.

**Firewise-**

N/A

New Business:

Good of the order.

Meeting adjourned.