

**Placer County Fire Safe Alliance**  
**June 22, 2009**

1. **Call to Order:** George Alves called the meeting of the Placer County Fire Safe Alliance to order at 10:10 a.m. at the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CALFIRE), Bowman Station, 13760 Bowman Road, Auburn, California.
  - a) **Introduction of New Members:** No new members were present.
  - b) **Self-Introductions:** George Alves, Placer County Fire Mitigation Coordinator; Rui Cunha, Placer County OES; Rich Gresham, Placer County Resource Conservation District; Ed Crans, CALFIRE; Tyler Harkness, Foresthill Fire Safe Council; Dominic Panno U.S. Forrest Service;
  
2. **Approval of Minutes:** Minutes are available at <http://www.placerfirealliance.org> and all edits have been made.
  
3. **Approval of Agenda:** The Agenda was approved as submitted.
  
4. **Public Comment:** None, no members from the public were present.
  
5. **Information/Non-Action Items:**
  - a) **Sub-committee Update:** *Education:* Rui mentioned that some funding is available and is asking for input from the Fire Safe Council for documentation reproduction requests. Rich mentioned that he is still looking for assistance for the printing of their fire handbook.
  - b) **State and Federal Grant Availability/Status:** Ed reported that he is still waiting for information on Prop 40 grant money. Dominic mentioned that the USFS has received some stimulus money but most of the dollars have gone to Sierra County. He should hear more next week about additional stimulus funding.
  - c) **Local Fire Hazard Mitigation Plan:** The LHMP is available for comment. The comment period ends July 20th
  
6. **Action Items:**
  - a) None
  
7. **Project Updates:**
  - a) **Pending/Developing Grant Proposals-** The Western States WUI Grant program is available.
  - b) **Biomass Projects Update-** Limited bin funding is available. Four bins have been requested to date in western Placer County
  - c) **Legislative Update-** No report
  - d) **Other-** No report.
  
8. **Fire Safe Council Reports:**
  - *California Fire Safe Council* - No report.
  - *Foresthill/Iowa Hill Fire Safe Council-* Tyler reported that the fuel reduction project funding has been awarded. Foresthill is actively planning for their Wildfire on the Divide (Harvest Festival)
  - *Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council-* No report. This group will meet Thursday evening at 6 p.m. at the Veterans Memorial Hall in Colfax.
  - *The Greater Auburn Fire Safe Council-* No report. The council is working on their Strategic Plan
  - *Fire Safe Council of Nevada County-* No report.
  
9. **Agency and Stakeholder Reports:**
  - *Placer County OES-* Planning continues.

- *CDF/CALFIRE*- All projects are on hold awaiting additional funding
- *USFS*- Dominic mentioned that the USFS has received some stimulus money but most of the dollars have gone to Sierra County. He should hear more next week about additional stimulus funding.
- *BLM*- No report. Jerry Martinez will be the new BLM representative
- *Placer County FMC*- No other information.
- *ARWG, RCD*- Rich mentioned that Richard Harris is available for additional meetings or to answer any questions regarding the Forest Stewardship Workshops held in Foresthill and Alta
- *NRCS*- No report.
- *Sierra Forest Legacy*- No report

**10. Roundtable:** No discussion

**11. Adjournment and Next Meeting:** The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 27, 2009 at 10 a.m. at the same location.