

January 17, 2013

Jefferson County CWPP Meeting Notes

Attendees: Katrina Van Dis (COIC), Kevin Benton (ODF), Stu Otto (ODF), Gordon Foster(ODF), Thomas Ledbetter(RLFPA), P. Dan Ridenour(CPFMS/BLM), Chet Singleton (JEFFCO), Jim Epley (JCSO), Ken Lydy (JEFFCO), Brian Huff(JCFD#1), and Don Colfels (LCF&R)

(A) = Action Item

1. Announcements/Purpose of Meeting

COIC announced that this will be the last facilitated meeting because funding for the CWPP review process will run out. Fire Chief Don Colfels said that he would approach the county in regards to setting aside Title III monies to continue this work for COIC. COIC will provide an estimate of costs.

Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan

Jefferson County will be updating this plan, which is due in September. The CWPP Steering committee time will be used as match for the development of the plan. The updated CWPP needs to be completed this year to stay in compliance with the Mitigation Plan.

2. Review of Priorities

- Ashwood – no change/water needs still exist
- Crooked River Ranch –no one available to represent CRR (no change)
- Grandview – park needs to have fuels work completed either through contract or with the ODF. This needs to be discussed with state parks
- Grizzly Saddle - ODF applied for a Community Assistance Grant, which was not funded. Exact location of Grizzly community needs to be decided in the next review
- High Chaparral – no change
- North Madras Heights – there are two egresses, this can be changed to a priority 3
- Madras Ranchos/Canyon View – no change
- Three Rivers – Much of the land has been treated. BLM worked on the Beach (13 acres were thinned piled and burned); untreated piles remain. The community is working with the fire chief to become a FireWise community. ODF has Community Assistance Grant monies to do fuels project on land adjoining the Beach project ~ 100 acres (17 five acre lots) + 23 acres of commons ground. ODF is sending letter to landowners about planned treatment.
- Upper Metolius/Mont. Shores - ODF applied for a Community Assistance Grant, which was not funded.
- Gateway – no changes

- Juniper Butte – 28 lots and 55 residents participated in a fuels reduction project; the ranch to the east provided a lot of work and agreed to provide an egress route. The fire district needs to get a lock for the property
- Round Butte- No changes. Piles were burned in January but no one knows who burned them, potentially private property
- Sid Walter – completed auxiliary fire station; otherwise no one present to represent Warm Springs
- Juniper Crest – West-side issues, has been thinned and defensible space established
- Dizney – no one present to represent Warm Springs
- Seeseekqua – no one present to represent Warm Springs
- Shamrock – no one present to represent Warm Springs
- Warm Springs – no one present to represent Warm Springs
- Young Life - – no one present to represent Young Life/no changes

(A) COIC to give Don Colfels an estimate for the cost of continuing annual CWPP reviews

(A) North Madras Heights needs to be changed from priority 1 to priority 3; Fire Chief Brian Huff needs to get a lock for the egress

(A) Fire Chief Brian Huff to get lock for Juniper Butte egress

3. Review Action Plan and Performance Measures

- The BLM will provide tabular and shape files of past, current and future projects
- The Jefferson County Sheriff department now provides burning permits for unprotected lands
- ODF provided information on acres treated and will send files
- Air park established a safe zone; Three Rivers uses the day use area
- Living with Wildfire publication was sent to Jefferson County residents in August '12

See Table below for Performance Measure updates

4. Review Past, Current and Future Projects

Information will be provided through data updates

5. Current and Future Funding Opportunities

- Community Assistance– Applied for by ODF; rejected in 2012, #5 on the waitlist for 2013
- FEMA Safety & Fire Prevention – COIC applied for on behalf of Jefferson County for Education Awareness associated with FireWise and updating ODF and County code
- Western Competitive – applied for by ODF
- Volunteer Rural Fire Management – no application
- Jeff. Co. Title III – COIC applied and received a grant to provide fuels reduction on high priority areas.

Next meeting will be held in fall 2013 to perform the annual CWPP review.

Table 8-1 Performance Measures Evaluation Matrix

Performance Measure	Responsible Party	Response
Scope of wildfire problem and potential		
1 Have the communities and at-risk infrastructure been identified?	COIC	Yes
2 Have updates been completed, documented and incorporated?	COIC	Yes
3 Have WUI's been identified?	Committee	Yes
4 Have WUI's been mapped?	COIC	Yes
5 Was a Fire Atlas compiled and updated annually?	Committee	ODF/BLM/CRNG will send updates
Reduce hazardous fuels		
1 Were the risk assessment scores for communities reduced?	Fire Department	N. Madras Heights changed to a priority 3
2 Was the flame length potential reduced (measured in acres)?	Jurisdictions	See #3
3 How many acres were treated in total?	Jurisdictions	ODF 340 acres; the rest of the info will be inputted after the data is returned to Katrina
Reduce structural ignitability		
1 How many acres of defensible space around home(s) were established?	Fire Department	Unknown how to capture this information
2 How many structures were lost to wildland fire(s)?	WPA	Private properties are not measured at this time
WUI coordination on adjoining public/private lands		
1 How many treatment (or acreage) occurred on adjacent federal lands?	WPA	This will be inputted after the data is returned to Katrina
2 How many treatment mitigations occurred on federal and private lands under a unified plan?	WPA	The Beach (BLM/Three Rivers Fire and Rescue)
Provide for safety of public during wildfire incidents		
1 Have county-wide and local community evacuation processes been developed?	JCSO & WSPO	Yes
2 What were the numbers of fire responses or evacuation drill exercises performed?	JCSO & WSPO	2 (JCSO); Warm Springs unknown
3 How many "safe zones" that have been established within a community?	Homeowners and Fire Department	Each fire district has an identified safe zone
Promote community involvement and awareness		

<p>1 How many outreach and educational activities were held?</p>	<p>Fire Dept., Homeowners, WSPO, COPC</p>	<p>Annual Three Rivers outreach; ODF Culver meeting for Juniper Butte; COPC at the Jefferson County Fair; school programs annually; hunger education classes in Madras; grants were applied for including ODF ARRA funds (COIC); Community Assistance (ODF); and Western State Fire (ODF).</p>
<p>2 What is the assessment of the overall participation in neighborhood fuels treatment initiatives?</p>	<p>Homeowners and Fire Department</p>	<p>good</p>

WPA-Wildland Protection Agency, JCSO-Jeff. County Sheriff's Office, WSPO-Warm Springs Prevention Office, COPC-Central Oregon Prevention Co-op

Anything in red implies a grammatical change.