

Amador Calaveras Consensus Group

Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2017 9:30am – 12:20pm

Location: Amador County Administration Building, Conference Room C

Meeting Facilitator: John Heissenbuttel                      Minutes Recorded By: Jan Bray

**Agenda Items**

1. Call to Order @ 0945 (meeting moved from GSA Building due to no meeting room available)

2. Participant Introductions (Robin – please amend based on attendance sheet)

David Griffith, Annie Dean, Terry Woodrow, Susan McMorris, Robin Wall, Katherine Evatt, Richard Yarnell, Megan Fiske, Mary Sketch, Kimberly Grissom, Donna Vial, Gordon Long, Reuben Childress, Teresa McClung, Scott Tangenberg, Rick Hopson, John Hofmann, Amy Rocha, Monte Kawahara, Sue Holper, Gwen Starrett, Eric Kleinfelter, Gerald Schwartz, Tim Tate, John Heissenbuttel, Michael Pickard, Steve Wilensky, Pat McGreevy, Chris Fettig.

3. Approval and/or Modification of Agenda

- Slight change in timing of presentations; Agenda approved as modified.

4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes and approval of Action Items

- Approved.

6. PRESENTATION: Ryan Miller/CSU Chico – “Fine-Scale Socioeconomic Analysis of Forest Communities”

- a smaller scale look at forest communities over time; this one for Wilseyville/West Point.
- study is 1 of 16 in NorCal.
- Ryan is adding additional study sites and 1 will be in Amador County
- Ryan will provide ACCG with a proposed study area in the Up Country area for our review.

7. BLM Community Forest Update – Steve Wilensky/Bill Haigh: No new information.

- Discussion of ACCG’s potential role in the organizational structure of the Community

8. Collaboration Monitoring Survey– Robin Wall/Joel Silverman/Gwen Starrett

- Request members fill out and return Hemlock project survey form.
- Joel Silverman is ending his CFLR Collaboration detail as of 2017.1.15. His replacement will be Kasey Jardine.

9. Alpine County Update – Don & Annie Hittenmiller: Don asked ACCG for a support letter for

a feasibility study to determine uses of wood. ACCG unanimously approved the letter. John Heissenbuttel will draft and email the letter of support today.

10. Forestry Challenge Presentation – Mary Anne Garamendi and Mountain Oaks Charter School Students.

- They had a PP presentation of their Forestry Challenge trip to the Pumpkin Hollow portion of the Hemlock Forest Restoration project.

11. Website Update – Julia Stephens; John Heissenbuttel has folder on website management that Kimberly developed and John will give it to Julia. KKE volunteered to help as well.

12. ACCG Contractor/Administrator – Interview committee will interview a candidate on 2017.1.19

13. Admin Group update – working on MOA; hope to present it at the February meeting.

14. Planning Group update – Joel Silverman – 2017.1.25 meeting at Hathaway Pines followed by a field trip up to Blue Lake Springs. Agenda item is CFLR goals and progress.

15. Monitoring Group update – Robin Wall; next meeting is 2017.2.1 @ 1300 hours @ AmCo Admin Building.

16. Agency/Organization Updates

- \* Jay Francis suggests everyone check and clean culverts.

- \* Steve Wilensky - 10 youth (National CCC) doing work in Butte Fire area; any needs for their work?

- \*Gwen Starrett suggests writing articles with associated pictures and submitting them to the Calaveras Enterprise for publication.

- \* Michael Pickard stated that Jack Garamendi is the new SNC Representative. And next pre-application deadline for Prop 1 grants is September 1, 2017.

- \* Dennis Serpa – UltraPower has a new sales lease for biomass power....5 year contract with Southern California Edison; they need Bone Dry Ton material (chips).

- \* John Heissenbuttel – wants to share AFSC Coordinator vacancy announcement on the ACCG website. Jan Bray sent vacancy to Julia Stephens. Also, there will be another Tree Mortality Workshop in Pine Grove, Mt. Zion Church on February 4, 1000-1230.

16. Adjourn 12:00 pm. • Next meeting 2017.2.15 @ West Point Legion Hall.