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)
   

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

   
   • 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.

   • The 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.


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.