

Amador-Calaveras Consensus Group (ACCG) -- General Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, July 17th, 2024, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT MEETING INFORMATION

[Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Attend in person: Amador Ranger District Office, Pioneer

NOTE: The Zoom Online meeting will be opened by **8:50 AM**. [Additional Zoom guidance provided here.](#)

Volunteer Meeting Facilitator: Chuck Loffland

Zoom Host: [Megan Layhee](#)

Meeting Agenda

Item #	Agenda Item	Owner(s)	Start Time	Mins
0	Open virtual meeting.	Layhee	8:50	10
1	Call to order and ground rules.	Loffland	9:00	<5
2	Participant introductions, and modification, approval of agenda, and June 2024 GM summary	Loffland	9:00	<5
Presentation & Discussion:				
3	Megafire effects on spotted owls: elucidation of a growing threat and a response to Hanson, et al.	Gavin Jones USFS, Research Ecologist, Rocky Mountain Research Station	9:05	90
	Break		10:35	15
4	Roundtable	All	10:50	40
5	Update: July SCALE meeting Reminder ACCG approved M. Layhee to provide ACCG update at the July SCALE meeting	Layhee	11:30	5
6	Update: Mokelumne Amador Calaveras Forest Health and Resilience Project (MAC) (formerly Forest Projects Plan, FPP, Phase 1 and 2)	Layhee	11:35	10
Updates:				
7	Admin Work Group Update	Layhee	11:45	2
8	Planning Work Group Update Forest Plan Amendment Ad Hoc Group Update	Layhee	11:47	5
9	Monitoring Work Group Update – did not meet in July	--	11:52	--
10	Wrap up. Next ACCG General Meeting Wed., 8/21/24 – via Zoom and at the Calaveras RD office	Loffland	11:52	8

Meeting Materials

- 01 [draft] ACCG General Meeting summary 06.19.2024 (for approval)
- [02 \[draft\] ACCG General Meeting Agenda 07.17.2024](#)
- [03 Jones et al 2019](#)
- [04 ACTION ITEMS ACCG Admin WG Meeting 07.08.2024](#)

Supporting links and documents:

- [ACCG Meeting Ground Rules](#)

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Meeting Schedule

Meeting Date & Location	Presenter/Guest Speaker(s)	Topics(s)
Wed. Aug. 21 st , 2024 Facilitator: Michael P. Location: Calaveras RD Office, Hathaway Pines	Dr. Eric Knapp	USFS, Pacific Southwest Research Station, Redding; “Severity of the Antelope Fire.”
Tues., Sept. 10 th , 2024	--	ACCG Field Trip
Wed. Sept. 18 th , 2024 Facilitator: John H. Location: Amador RD Office, Pioneer	Ellie Routt	Mother Lode Land Trust
Wed., Oct. 16 th , 2024 Facilitator: Michael P. Location: Calaveras RD Office, Hathaway Pines	Stephanie Coppeto	USDA FS Region 5 Broader-scale Monitoring Strategy
Wed., Nov. 20 th , 2024 Facilitator: Chuck L. Location: Amador RD Office, Pioneer	Brian Allen	UCCE, El Dorado, Amador, Calaveras and Tuolumne Counties, Assistant Specialist; Targeted grazing and virtual fencing applications for fuel break maintenance and mixed conifer forest fuels treatments
December 2024 – No ACCG General Meeting		
Wed., Jan. 15 th , 2025 Facilitator: TBD Location: TBD	TBD	TBD
Wed., Feb. 19 th , 2025 Facilitator: TBD Location: TBD	Dr. Scott Stephens	“Mass fire behavior created by extensive tree mortality and high tree density not predicted by operational fire behavior models in the southern Sierra Nevada”

To recommend topics or speakers, contact the [ACCG Administrator](#).

Potential Future General Meeting/Field Tour Topics List

- Caldor Fire Restoration GTR 270 Analysis (Becky Estes)
- STF Biochar study (part II)
- UMRWA WCB Aspen Restoration Project
- Prescribed Burn Associations (UCCE)
- Wilseyville Biomass Facility

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- [Panel Discussion] UMRWA, Cal Am Team, CHIPS and USFS: supporting local economies with forest health contracts, including funding
- Fire Regeneration Methods (e.g., mushrooms)
- Management activities that increase water yield (e.g., prescribed fire, beavers, cover crops, etc.)
- Management of lands in ACCG landscape (e.g., BLM, SPI)
- Sierra Business Council presentation on CERF program and opportunities for ACCG collaboration
- Development of forest treatment prescriptions based on residual basal area VS. DBH
- SPI's Spotted Owl Research & Tracking Study (Kevin Roberts)
- Great American Outdoors Act
- [Field Tour] Caldor Fire Restoration
- [Field Tour] STF McKays' Strategic FB Project
- [Field Tour/Workshop] TEK (e.g., cultural burning)
- [Field Tour] EBMUD land and fire management approaches
- [Field Tour] FPP Phase 1 implementation
- [Field Tour] CA Big Trees Prescribed Fire Program

Revised MOA Signatories

Count	Affiliation	Name of Signatory(s) *
1	Alpine Biomass Collaborative	David Griffith
2	Amador Calaveras Chapter, Citizen's Climate Lobby	Gwen Starrett
3	Associated California Loggers	Randy Hanvelt
4	Blue Mountain Community Renewal Council	Susan McMorris
5	Calaveras Foothills Fire Safe Council	Terry Woodrow
6	Calaveras Healthy Impact Product Solutions	Craig Case
7	California Forestry Association	Steve Brink
8	Central Sierra Environmental Resource Center	John Buckley
9	CT Bioenergy Consulting	Chris Trott
10	East Bay Municipal Utility District	Chuck Beckman
11	Foothill Conservancy	Megan Fiske
12	Heissenbuttel Natural Resource Consulting	John Heissenbuttel
13	Krempl Consulting	Byron Krempl
14	Sierra Forest Legacy	Susan Britting
15	Sierra Nevada Conservancy	Angela Avery
16	Sierra Pacific Industries	Tim Tate
17	Smith's Grinding A Partnership	Robert Smith
18	Sue Holper, Private Landowner	Sue Holper
19	Sullivan Logging Company, Inc.	Morton Sullivan
20	The Institute for Bird Populations	Helen Loffland
21	Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority	Richard Sykes
22	USDA US Forest Service, Eldorado National Forest	Joseph Stout
23	USDA US Forest Service, Stanislaus National Forest	Jason Kuiken
24	USDI Bureau Land Management - Mother Lode Field Office	Liz Meyer-Shields

*Representatives from member organization not named as signatory in the above table may still represent the member organization in the ACCG decision-making process.