

# Amador Calaveras Consensus Group (ACCG)

## Planning Work Group Zoom Meeting

Wed. Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

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### MEETING AGENDA

Facilitator: [Megan Layhee](#)

Time	Item	Materials
9:00	<b>Review meeting agenda &amp; other housekeeping</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Modifications, approve agenda (material 01)</li><li>2. Modifications, approve previous meeting summary (material 02)</li><li>3. Recap ACCG recommendations to-date (material 03)</li></ol>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 01 [draft] ACCG Planning Work Group Meeting Agenda 01.22.2025</li><li>● 02 [draft] ACCG Planning Work Group Meeting Summary 11.12.2024</li><li>● 03 ACCG Consensus Recommendations_ MAC Phase 2</li></ul>
9:20	<b>Herbicide application methods: Drizzle</b> Brief presentation (material 04) by Matt Brown (action item from our Nov. 2024 work group meeting)	
9:40	<b>UMRWA-ENF Aspen Restoration NEPA update</b>	
9:45	<b>UMRWA-USFS MAC Project</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● ACCG FPA Ad Hoc Update:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ DBH limits for all land allocations</li><li>○ CSO PACs, territories: existing vegetation conditions data</li></ul></li><li>● Aspen restoration:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Recap on aspen work group discussions (material 05)</li><li>○ Next steps</li></ul></li><li>● Next MAC Project-related work group discussion topics:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Fuelbreak size (material 06):<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ proposed at Jan. 2025 general meeting by R. Farrington</li><li>▪ Material 06 provided by James Thornock, ENF Amador RD Fuels Specialist</li></ul></li><li>○ Other</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 04 DRAFT ACCG Planning WG_MAC Project Aspen Restoration Recommendations</li><li>● 05 383_PS_CA_Fuel_Break-Forestland_05-2020</li></ul>
11:30	<b>Upcoming General Meeting Topics</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● 2/19/2025: 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”</li><li>● Need March GM speaker (maybe Craig Ostergaard, SPI on goat grazing)</li><li>● 4/16/2025: Brian Allen, UCCE: Controlling Brush Weeds and Woody Regrowth Following Mastication</li></ul>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 5/21/2025, Dr. Jaime Kostelnik, Fire, Flood, and Mud: Post fire debris flow hazards in the western U.S.</li> </ul>	
11:55	<p><b>Action Items &amp; Next Steps</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Review meeting action items</li> <li>● <b>Next work group meeting: Wed., 2/26/2025, 9-12 via Zoom</b></li> <li>● Next Steps             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ UMRWA WCB Aspen Project post-scoping update</li> <li>○ MAC Project, Phase 2 Topics                 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ NRV vs. SDI</li> <li>▪ Focused analysis in EIS</li> <li>▪ Condition-based NEPA</li> <li>▪ Western pond turtle protection measures</li> <li>▪ Management actions that may impact viewshed, rec and mitigation measures</li> <li>▪ Hazard tree removal</li> <li>▪ LIDAR Modeling (RF)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

### Ongoing Planning Work Group Action Items

- [ACCG Priority Responsibilities:](#)
  - Continue moving forward with landscape-scale planning, while also identifying and securing funding for shovel-ready projects:
    - Continuing to support and engage with UMRWA’s Forest Projects Plan/MAC Project.
    - Engaging with the USFS on their 2025 program of work.
    - Continuing to support large-landscape analyses to help strategically accelerate implementation.
    - Support and assist the USFS find efficient and effective ways to compete for funds. And as part of that, support the USFS obtaining increased resources and building workforces for surface, ladder fuels work.
  - Support biomass utilization infrastructure development projects.
  - Focus on projects and activities, including activities that increase forest health, and meadow and wetland restoration, that promote water retention on the landscape to prepare for future droughts.
  - Continue to support implementation of ACCG’s TEK Shared Vision.
  - Continue to support implementation of ACCG’s Pyrosilviculture Shared Vision, including continuing discussions on defining broad plan for implementing pyrosilviculture shared vision. Start with the five steps Greg Suba proposed (in email to the Pyro Ad Hoc group, 10/21/2021):
    - Understand the landscape and subdivide it into strategically derived fire management areas (e.g., PODs, boxes, etc.)
    - Agree on strategy for where, when, and how best to manage for fire within every containment area / box, and between containment areas / boxes.
    - Identify which boxes are in most urgent need of work in order to apply, manage, and/or suppress fire effectively and as safely as possible.
    - Seek and obtain funding for that work.
    - Implement 1<sup>st</sup>-entry fire and/or thinning followed by fire as planned.