



## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

**D R A F T – Wednesday, November 13, 2018 – D R A F T**

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN ATTENDANCE:

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| Debbie Arnold – Co. Board of Supervisors  | Steven Negro – District 1 Representative |
| Skip Dyke – Range Improvement Association | Justin Kephart – PG&E                    |
| Dan Dulitz – District 5 Representative    | Chris Dicus – Cal Poly                   |
| Bill Cochran – Cattlemen’s Association    | Bob Neumann – District 2                 |
| Chris Slate – District 3 Representative   | Ed Waage – Citizen at Large              |
| Martin Scott – Ranchita Focus Group       | Jim Harrison – District 4 Representative |
| Virginia Miyamoto – Lake Nacimiento FG    | Michael Walsh – Cambria Focus Group      |

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS ABSENT:

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| William Hollingworth – County Fire Chief’s  | Riki Heath – Fire Prevention Association |
| Jeff Jones – Citizen at Large               | Bill Tietje – UC Cooperative Extension   |
| Scotty Jalbert – CAL FIRE / SLO County Fire | Turko Semmes – Builders Community        |
| Chad Pankey – Citizen at Large              | Scott Johnson – Citizen at Large         |
| Tom Wright – Los Osos Focus Group           | Jeanie Hanson – ECO-SLO                  |
| Richard Gonzales – Farm Bureau              | Tom Peterson – Atascadero Focus Group    |
| Mark Elliott - APCD                         | Scott Hallett – Paso Robles Focus Group  |

### EX-OFICIO AND STAFF PRESENT:

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| Dan Turner – Business Manager            | Dave Fowler – CAL FIRE / Captain |
| Loree McRoberts – CAL FIRE/Recording Sec | Dennis Javens – Project Manager  |
| John Gee – CAL FIRE / Forestry Asst.     | Jim Neumann – Project Manager    |

### CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Debbie Arnold at 9:00 A.M. followed by introductions of directors, staff and guests.

### CONSENT AGENDA

*It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the following consent items:*

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### **INTERNAL OPERATIONS BUDGET**

- Internal Operations Budget Report
  - Balance of cash in bank as of November 10, 2018 - \$78,773.40

***It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the Internal Operations Budget Report for the San Luis Obispo County Community FireSafe Council as presented***

### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

The San Luis Obispo County Range Improvement Association has applied to reactivate their non-profit status. They are asking for SLO FSC to act as their fiscal sponsor until their application is approved and grant them \$10,000 for tools and supplies.

***It was moved, seconded and approved to serve as Fiscal Sponsor for the Range Improvement Association for 2018-19 CCI Grants while their application to reactivate their non-profit status processes.***

***It was moved, seconded and approved to grant the Range Improvement Association up to \$10,000 from the SLO FSC 2018 Operations Budget to purchase safety equipment in the form of PPE's.***

Justin Kephart with Pacific Gas and Electric Company shared a presentation of the Company's approach to Wildfire safety. In response to the growing risk of wildfire in our state, they are expanding and accelerating their vegetation and safety work. They are working with customers in high fire-threat areas to create safe space between distribution lines and vegetation that can act as fuel for wildfires. PG&E has also refined and executed protocols to proactively turn off electric power where extreme fire danger conditions are occurring. Longer term projects include investing in stronger, coated power lines and replacing wood poles with non-wood material (concrete, metal) in some areas.

### **GRANT PROGRAMS**

- Grant Timeline
  - Active Grants – Total \$1,437,640
  - Grants with Contracts Pending \$3,931,640
- 2016 SRA Grants
  - 16-SRA CWPP & WUI Pre-Plans - \$116,424 awarded, \$23,339 expended
  - 16-SRA Countywide Tree Mortality and HFR -\$152,152 awarded, \$132,853 expended

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- 2017 CA Fire Safe Council Clearinghouse Grants
  - Countywide HFR – Non SRA \$68,200 awarded, \$29,928 expended
  - CWPP & WUI Plans – Non SRA \$67,100 awarded, \$9,942 expended
  
- Cambria Projects
  - Cambria WUI Grant
    - \$260,788 awarded, \$260,788 expended
  - Cambria East Village Tree Mortality
    - \$199,976 awarded, \$190,088 expended
  - Greenhouse Gas
    - \$498,736 awarded, \$245,313 expended
  
- PG&E 2018 Hazardous Fuel Reduction Grant
  - W. Atascadero-Summit Hills/Old Morro Road
    - \$75,000 awarded, \$75,000 expended

***It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the grant status reports for the San Luis Obispo County Community FireSafe Council as presented.***

### **2017-18 CAL FIRE GRANT AWARDS**

- California Climate Investments (CCI) Forest Grants
  - Fire Prevention grants selected for funding:
    - Countywide Tree Mortality \$ 833,868
    - Parkhill-Huer Huero Haz fuel reduction \$ 505,848
    - Lake Nacimiento Haz fuel reduction \$ 775,620
    - Monterey Pine Mortality \$1,816,304

### **UPCOMING GRANT OPPORTUNITIES**

- 2018 CA Fire Safe Council Clearinghouse Grants
  - Application filed for Nipomo Eucalyptus Mortality - \$100,000
  - Award decisions pending with CA FSC
  
- 2018-19 California State Budget
  - \$160 million for CAL FIRE CCI/Greenhouse Gas
  - \$125 million for Forest Health and Fire Prevention

***It was moved, seconded and approved to have the grant committee submit recommendations for the current grant period to the San Luis Obispo County Community FireSafe Council as presented.***

***An amended motion was moved, seconded and approved to have the grant committee submit grant recommendations to the Executive Board via email for approval and submission to meet the deadline.***

## **NEXT MEETINGS**

Executive Committee Meeting – Wednesday, December 19, 2018 0900 – 1100 hours, County Government Center.

Board of Directors Meeting – Wednesday, January 16, 2019 0900 – 1200 hours, San Luis Obispo Veteran’s Hall. Board of Director and Officer elections will be held. Meeting will be followed by lunch.

***It was moved, seconded and approved to adjourn the Board of Directors November 13, 2018 meeting at 11:30 p.m. for the San Luis Obispo County Community FireSafe Council.***

## **ROUNDTABLE**

President Debbie Arnold was invited to a meeting held at the White House along with representatives from Alaska, Hawaii and California. The scope of the meeting was to streamline procedures to obtain permits for necessary work within their states. Mrs. Arnold shared a story of a crucial stretch of highway needed in Alaska that has been involved in the permit process for 42 years.

Shirley Bianchi has resigned her position with Cambria Focus Group.

Respectfully submitted,

*Loree McRoberts*

Recording Secretary