

Village of Angel Fire – First CWPP Core Team Meeting Minutes

11/18/21 1pm-3pm

Participants: Kevin Pacheco, Craig Sime, Mollie Walton, Moreno Valley VFD, Renee Romero, Kyle Sahd, Gina Bonner (Taos Pines), Arnie Friedt, Mark Meyers, Kevin Pacheco, Scott Gibson (Eagle Nest Fire Chief)

Introductions and discussion of opportunity to align the three CWPP Updates.

Rene wants this process to help Taos Pueblo develop deeper relationships with neighbors on their eastern boundary.

Mark Meyers is excited about the cross-boundary opportunities.

Kyle says not a lot of BLM land involved, but wants to be supportive.

Gina says they are in a very high-risk area.

Discussion on February Meeting that Eytan Missed.

Gabe shows CWPP Process and Plan Requirements.

Stewardship Portal is discussed <http://nmssp.org>

Gabe talks deeper about plan requirement list leading to Priority actions

Gabe walks through document TOC, and highlights importance of crosswalk and then maps. Want to make sure document fits needs. Form partnerships to move coalitions forward and assign accountability for performing identified projects.

Question from Gina Bonner about why poverty and senior citizens. Gabe answers well and she seems satisfied. Those data may provide backup for grant proposals if completed.

Gabe moves to Core Team list.

Recommendations from Chat: Kit Carson Electric, Sandia Pueblo (Grassmick), Firewise of Hidden Lake, Elk Ridge, Green Valley...Angel Fire Resort, Girl Scout Camp, CS Ranch/American Creek Properties, HOAs?

Gabe pivots to google form sheet with instructions.

Seems to be working, people are working on Google Sheet.

Good dialogue on boundaries with Taos Pines, Moreno Valley. Splitter or lumper? Gina asks where should she attend meetings? Gabe offers joint meeting solutions. Craig offers government vs reality.

Gabe asks Gina to fill out the form anyway and he'll load it to Colfax County plan. The idea of a Moreno Valley Plan is raised. Seems like it could be a subset of Colfax Plan.

Gabe initiates accomplishment survey. That session ends and Gabe asks for responses. Kyle Sahd and Mark Meyers get emails since Google is blocked or not accessible.

Gabe goes through accomplishments:

Is the Village Firewise? Got dropped during transition between administrations

Craig says the Village is doing a lot of FAC stuff with monthly internal calls.

Village did 130 acre NFL project on GS camp, and 10 acres in aspen as inkind.

Green waste is a hot topic, maybe too hot.

No GIS progress

Do WUI training and coordination with neighbors

Community outreach – electronic sign died almost immediately, they do well with Social Media, people come to open house meetings if there has been a recent fire, but not otherwise, they do put up flyers in the community (mentioned in a different context, but lots of new comers to the community and a need for ongoing education)

Gabe pauses and Pivots to next work exercise. Craig asks that we do it as a group.

Accomplishments captured in chat and recorded. FAWRA, Carson NF. NMSLO/FSG/TEA Rx, Also future plans for FAWRA north of Angel Fire east of Airport. For planning SLO has 30K acres cleared.

Roads and Transportation another sore subject (along with green waste) for Craig. They need thinning but also need to improve roads – the El Camino paving project. NM SLO working on a travel management plan for the area.

Departments working together is a big and important push so that they have Wildland PPE and Training, and progress showed on the Luna and Ute Park Fires.

NM Forestry can teach wildland classes and offer to all, need a 10 person minimum. Classes would star in spring.

Eytan spoke about \$500 million dollars in the new infrastructure bill for forestry. Some of the money could be for planning and community capacity (jobs) for implementing defensible space, new roofs, etc.

Gina echos what others have said about need to be made aware of funding opportunities and deadlines.

Gabe says County Association grants open in January.