

MEETING SUMMARY

WILDFIRE SUBCOMMITTEE - CHELAN COUNTY CWPP UPDATE

SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS

- **Chair:** Patrick Haggerty, Cascadia Conservation District
- **Vice-Chair:** Bob Keller, Chumstick Wildfire Stewardship Coalition
- Brandon Asher, Fire District 7 - Lake Chelan
- Brian Brett, Fire District 1 - Wenatchee
- Nolan Brewer, DNR Southeast Region Forest Health and Resilience Program
- Alma Chacon, Café
- Andy Day, RC3
- Ben Eddings, USFS
- Walter Escobar, DNR Southeast Region Wildfire Program
- Jana Fischback, Sustainable NCW
- Sophia Fox
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- Rachel Hansen, Chelan PUD
- Jake Hardt, DNR Community Resilience Coordinator
- Hillary Heard, Fire District 1 - Wenatchee
- Joe Hill, CCD
- Adam Jones, Fire District 8 - Entiat
- Kris King, Fire District 9 - Lake Wenatchee Fire and Rescue
- Mike Kaputa, Chelan County NRD
- Kris King, Fire District 9 - Lake Wenatchee
- Lexy Lieurance, Chelan Douglas Health District
- Lauren Loeksak, WDOT
- Whitney Machado, BLM Community Coordinator

- Rich Magnussen, Chelan County Emergency Management
- Chris Pedersen, Chelan County Fire Marshall
- Jeff Pierce, Holden Village
- Jason Reinfeld
- Elle Robinson, Chelan County NRD
- Mike Smith, Fire District 3 - Leavenworth
- Russ Truman, Citizen, Retired USFS
- Chris Pedersen, County Fire Marshall

DATE, AUG 15, 2024

2:30 PM

LOCATION: **County Annex Conference Room, 411 Washington Street on the second floor**

ZOOM:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85367124816?pwd=yrDbCQILcDe7IEpQNn5zcayUoW25sb.1>

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CONSULTANT TEAM

- Kenzie Hartt - TEA
- Dr. Meg Matonis - TEA
- Aimeé Artigues - TEA
- Christina Wollman - Pertteet

AGENDA

1. Sign in
 - a. Online: Hilary Heard, Kris King, Sophia Fox, Jana Fischbach, Patrick Haggerty, Rachel Hansen, Elle Robinson, Erin McKay, Evan Briscoe, Aimeé Artigues, Meg Matonis, Kenzie Hartt, Evan Briscoe, Bob Keller, Joe Hill, Evan Briscoe, Andy Day, Jake Hardt, Russ Truman, Jason Reinfeld, Chris Pedersen, Christina Wollman, Brandon Asher,
2. Public Comment - Issues with Wi-Fi
3. Minutes from past meetings: Bob K.
4. Current Wildfire Situation - Lessons Learned

- a. Kenzie opened floor to current wildfire in area and situation and impact on people; lessons learned/ideas to put into CWPP?
 - b. Feedback was given that meeting needs to not happen in the middle of fire season especially coupled with HMP.
 - c. Remote areas have trouble receiving supplies; need to give better idea of tactics to help make better choices of what to do/not to do. Ex=retardant....terrain did not allow for.
 - d. Small amount of smoke from Pioneer fire due to weather redirecting and fuels available.
 - e. CWPP needs based on the current season? hard to say; too early. All crews have goals to account for everybody, regardless of fire behavior. Much larger areas are being threatened before FPD can be successful with containment lines, but fires get dangerously close to values at risk. Federal and State **need resources** ready because fire cannot always be put out. Lesson learned will shift and come after containment.
5. Wildfire Risk Assessment - Dr. Meg Matonis;
- a. Quantitative Wildfire Risk Assessment
 - Assumptions are made and limitations exist based on fire behavior and vegetation; do not model home-to-home ignition. Colors used for the map layers may look different from what you are used to seeing for two reasons: 1) these color palates are colorblind-friendly, which the traditional red to green color palate is not, and 2) we are trying to prevent the assumption that red=fire=bad, because in some places fire is necessary and beneficial!
 - b. Different models for this CWPP than previous CWPP; different colors and response functions. Wildlife vs. Human habitats.
 - c. Burn probability, fire intensity, expected net value change
 - d. Roadway hazards
 - e. Ember cast
 - f. Community lifeline exposure
 - g. Arc Online link and review timeline
 - h. Some items are missing, can HMP update or is it too late?
 - i. Potential Roadway Survivability; Potential for greater than 8ft. Flame lengths.
6. Discussion of How to Incorporate Pioneer Fire; Meg showed current boundary as of 8/15/24 morning. People (Russ Truman) would like this as a layer to add**
7. **Did NOT get to:** Community Engagement; *Timeframe for Survey to send-out? When might this happen?*
8. Link to the fire StoryMap:
<https://emberalliance.maps.arcgis.com/apps/mapviewer/index.html?webmap=971ad28b6c4e4a3ba793662135200022>
9. Link to recorded meeting [here](#).
10. Link to meeting slides [here](#). (Refer to slides #10 and #11 for feedback)
11. [Attendance List](#) from Thursday's meeting

