

# MEETING NOTES

## WILDFIRE SUBCOMMITTEE - CHELAN COUNTY CWPP UPDATE

### SUBCOMMITTEE MEMBERS

- **Chair:** Ryan Williams, Cascadia Conservation District
- **Vice-Chair:** Bob Keller, Chumstick Wildfire Stewardship Coalition
- Brandon Asher, Fire District 7 - Lake Chelan
- Brian Brett, Fire District 1 - Wenatchee
- Alma Chacon, Café
- Andy Day, RC3
- Mike Kaputa, Chelan County NRD
- Ben Eddings, USFS
- Jana Fischback, Sustainable NCW
- Rachel Hansen, Chelan PUD
- Jake Hardt, DNR Community Resilience Coordinator
- Adam Jones, Fire District 8 - Entiat
- Kris King, Fire District 9 - Little Wenatchee
- Lexy Lieurance, Chelan Douglas Health District

- Lauren Loebak, WDOT
- Whitney Machado, BLM Community Coordinator
- Mike Smith, Fire District 3 - Leavenworth
- Stan Smoke, Chelan County Emergency Management

APRIL 4, 2024

2:30 PM

### CONSULTANT TEAM

- Kenzie Hartt - TEA
- Dr. Meg Matonis - TEA
- Christina Wollman - Perteet

### AGENDA

1. Attendance
  - a. Ryan Williams
  - b. Bob Keller
  - c. Brandon Asher
  - d. Brian Brett
  - e. Andy Day
  - f. Ben Eddings
  - g. Jana Fischback
  - h. Rachel Hansen
  - i. Jake Hardt
  - j. Whitney Machado
  - k. Kenzie Hartt
  - l. Meg Matonis
  - m. Mary MacDonald
  - n. Rachel Hanson
  - o. Patrick Haggardy
  - p. Yesenia Perez
  - q.
  - r.
  - s.
  - t.
  - u. (Add additional in-person attendees)
2. Previous Meeting Minutes
  - a. Kenzie share updated attendance list
  - b. All approved (#) votes to approve, approved with no amendments.
3. Old Business
  - a. Goals
    - i. Some edits on 5(i) taken by Kenzie; Approved
4. Meeting Publicity

- a. HMP steering committee meetings are open to the public. WSC Meetings on those same days are open to the public. Should these “off cycle” meetings in the first week of the month be open to the public too, or just the third week of the month?
  - i. There is no requirement to be open to public for the “off cycle” meetings; may not apply to everybody; would have to give enough notice
  - ii. These are more working meetings where discussions can be had
  - iii. Can people just join the Zoom meetings to watch but not participate; these links are not published on the county website
  - iv. Want to see how public comments come in for the open meetings and see whether it makes sense to open “off cycle” meetings
  - v. Can decide at the next meeting
- 5. Identifying Additional Partners
  - a. 3 other FPDs not on WSC
  - b. Emergency Management (should be on WSC)
  - c. Cities (should be on WSC)
  - d. County Commissioners
  - e. Fire Marshal
  - f. WAFAC
  - g. Annie Schmidt, NWCG?
  - h. Red Cross
  - i. Indigenous Roots and Reparations Foundation
  - j. Chelan Douglas Land Trust
  - k. National Park Service.
  - l. Washington State Parks?
  - m. Holden Village Fire Brigade
  - n. Mandy recommends making a RACI chart for this project
  - o. Large Landowners
  - p. Will chat w/Patrick about additional subgroups
- 6. Accomplishments since 2019
  - a. From the CWPP
  - b. Other related accomplishments
    - i. Zone A - Stehekin
      - 1. Fire Mgmt Officer
      - 2. Cascadia
      - 3. County Natural Resource
      - 4. Stehekin FPM
      - 5. Forest Service-Ben Eddings
      - 6. Chelan Head Ranger - Paul Willard
    - ii. Zone B - Holden
      - 1. Fire Marshal, Jeff
      - 2. Forest Service
      - 3. Church group leader
      - 4. Rio Tinto, Mining Co.
    - iii. Zone C - Chelan & Manson
      - 1. Chief Baker, Manson to make sure they have everyone
      - 2. Forest Service
      - 3. City of Chelan, volunteer
      - 4. RC3

- iv. Zone D - Cashmere
  - 1. City of Cashmere
  - 2. Fire District 6, Andy Lee
- v. Zone E - Wenachee
  - 1. Wenachee Fire Dept., Hilary heard
  - 2. DNR
  - 3. Forest Service
  - 4. CDLT
  - 5. BLM
- vi. Zone F -
  - 1. Forest Service
  - 2. Fire District (Fire Chief out of district 8)
  - 3. DNR
- vii. Zone G - Lake Wenachee
  - 1. WA State Parks
  - 2. Lake W. Fire & Rescue
  - 3. DNR
  - 4. Cascadia Conservation District
  - 5. Chelan County Natural Resources
  - 6. Erin & Kay?
- viii. Zone H - Leavenworth
  - 1. Fire District 3
  - 2. Chumstick
  - 3. City of Leavenworth
  - 4. RC3
  - 5. Cascadia CD
  - 6. US Forest Service
  - 7. DNR, County & State
- ix. Zone X - Federal/State Lands
  - 1. US Forest Service
  - 2. National Park Service
  - 3. BPA - Transmission Lines
  - 4. DNR, State & Federal
  - 5. WA Fish & Wildlife
  - 6. BSNF - Railroad
- x. Think about how to organize groups
  - 1. Reach out to everybody and ask to compile lists
  - 2. 6-8 week timeframe
  - 3. Would like format on how to gather information
  - 4. Start with the tables of action items and add additional column
  - 5. Actionable items (CWDP Grant)
- 7. Group agreed to extend meetings a half hour to ensure group can fulfill agenda (meetings are now 1.5 hrs, from 2:30-4 PM)
- 8. CWPP Update Needs
  - a. Most helpful sections of the 2019 CWPP
    - i. Education pieces. Perhaps create a short version for the public to make it more accessible, or a storymap or such.
    - ii. Mitigation Action List

- b. Concerns or issues with the 2019 CWPP
  - i. Page numbers don't match up/link to sections
- c. Identify sections in need of updating
  - i. Potential fuel containment lines (DNR)
- d. New ideas
  - i. Insurance availability & cost; standards insurance industry coming up with
    - 1. Insurance industry doesn't refer to CWPPs as a way to address coverage
    - 2. Use the insurance crisis to highlight what people understand and what they can do
  - ii. Potential placement of remote water tanks; cisterns
  - iii. Population density issues separate from risk, but should be combined