

Colusa County Fire Safe Council Regular Meeting

February 5th, 2026

Minutes

Members present: Vice Chair Allen Gobel, Jeff Gilbert, Shannon Carrancho

Attendees: Shelby Hebert (CCRCD), Kurt Vaughn (CCRCD), Mike Weber (PG&E), Justin Galvan (CAL FIRE), Tanya Meyer (Yolo RCD), Ciara Fisher (Colusa County Planning), Gerald Peters (Air Pollution Control District)

I. Welcome and Introductions

II. Review & Approval of Meeting Agenda & Previous Minutes

Tabled due to lack of quorum.

III. Fire Evacuation Guide Review & Discussion

Hebert introduced a draft [Fire Evacuation Guide](#) and asked for feedback on content and organization. Peters suggested keeping it brief (“2-3 pages”) and then linking to more information. Other members agreed to keep it short (“less is better”) and consider splitting out the “Before the Fire” material into another document potentially with QR codes linking the two. Consensus on the 5 steps format perhaps in a brochure format.

Hebert then walked through the [document](#) page by page. Peters suggested to make some form available for in Spanish. Gobel suggested adding language for livestock (open gates, look for RAVE alerts). Meyer suggested highlighting Ag pass and moving it forward in the index/order. Peters suggested adding specific but general evacuation routes (map with maybe specifics zoom ins for Century Ranch/Stonyford). Goebel and Galvan suggested adding links to videos and materials in an online version. Include Watch Duty?

Other suggestions included: mail brochures to Western County residents, leave copies at fire stations, libraries, hardware stores, and other public spaces. Hebert invited attendees to share the Guide with peers and other groups and to any other feedback.

IV. Partner, Agency, & Funding Updates

CAL FIRE LNU: Transitioned out of peak on 12/15 and focusing on fuel reduction activities locally in Rumsey Canyon, McCloskey, Murphy Ranch in Yolo County but also in other parts of the Unit. One engine is staffed at the Wilbur Station. Projecting to resume peak staffing in July.

Air Pollution Control District: Haven't been able to have a lot of burn days because of fog/inversion. Expecting it to clear up in the near future so there should be more burn days coming up. District will continue to waive fees for prescribed fire permits due to annual grant being renewed yearly. Many folks don't know the District waives their fees with this grant.

PG&E: No updates

Yolo RCD: Working with CAL FIRE (Brooks Station) pile burn workshop February 28th in Rumsey. Will share details. CCFSC and friends are invited.

Colusa RCD: Coalitions and Collaborations grant announcement should come through in February. RCD is in conversations with MNF for a Forest Health project. Interested in exploring partnership and treatment options in Wilbur.

Century Ranch HOA: Struggle with communicating with all owners/residents (1000 lots, some absentee or seasonal). Might not have enough interest in hosting a burn workshop at this time.

V. Open Discussion and Comments

VI. Next Steps and Adjournment