

**LASSEN FIRE SAFE COUNCIL, INC.**  
**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**November 19, 2025, 5:30PM**

The Lassen Fire Safe Council, Inc. (LFSC) convened in regular session at 5:30 PM on November 19, 2025, at the Susan River Fire Hall, Johnstonville, California. LFSC members present were Vice Chairperson, Laurence Crabtree; Board Members; Chevi Amrein, Deb Bumpus and Danny Cluck; Managing Director Cade Mohler; Project Manager Kyle Herron and Wildfire Resiliency Coordinator Tonya Smith.

**Opening and Welcome** – Laurence Crabtree called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. Introductions of the board members and staff were announced.

Sign in – A sign in sheet was available for voluntary sign in.

**I. Managing Director Report given by Cade Mohler**

**Active Projects**

**A. Cade Mohler** provided the LFSC Projects Overview to the attendees. The spreadsheet documents the active projects, and the planned and proposed projects status updated November 19, 2025. Cade highlighted the Bootsole Project, wherein the project is successfully completed after 3 years of work. The project included treatments of 3,700 acres adjacent to Janesville Grade. The South Lassen Wildfire Recovery Project is the only active project. Reforestation activities will remain on going if the weather is conducive.

**II. New Planned/Awarded Projects/Closed Projects – Spreadsheet Attached.** Cade indicated there are currently six grant applications pending final reviews and approvals. The planned treatment areas encompass Westwood; Lassen County North on Hwy 36 and Shasta County.

**III. Agency Updates**

**NRCS- Not Present.**

**SIR – Scott Dixon** gave personnel updates including the introduction of **Maudesty Merino, Cultural Stewardship Specialist** representing Maidu, Paiute, Pit River & Washoe Tribes. Scott and Maudesty gave project updates in Lassen and Plumas County including a need for signage on tribal lands.

**BLM – Kyle Heller, James Hamilton and Kory Bowser** were present. Kory gave operational updates including expressing gratitude for the collaboration with CalFire for a successful year of firefighting in 2025. Kyle stated they are currently burning 123 acres North of Eagle Lake. Pile burning and fuels reduction work will continue through winter in Lassen County.

**CalFire – Adam Mattos, Deputy Chief Lassen/Modoc** gave agency updates including the completion of a regional training at Devils' Garden held today. Adam stated CalFire had a successful year responding to 195 fires in our region. The local CalFire units are the leader in the state for fuels reduction including 1,700 acres treated. **Glenn Schall**, was introduced as the Lassen County Firefighter of the Year 2025. Glenn gave project updates including pile burning near Hamilton Branch, West of Westwood, Willow Creek and Fleming Unit. The seasonal layoffs affecting 160 fire personnel are scheduled to begin December 8, 2025.

**SNC – Not Present**

**USFS – LNF Bobette Jones, Eagle Lake District Ranger** gave the active forest management projects in Lassen County including timber sales, pile burning, highway 36 maintenance of dead/dying and hazard trees, fuels work and biomass removal. Recreation remains open until the snow falls. The docks at Eagle Lake are scheduled to remain until December 1, 2025, as permitted by weather. Christmas tree permits are being sold at two local businesses (Margie's Book Nook and Blue Ox Café). There is an upcoming Eagle Lake Partnership Summit including a field trip scheduled for December 8 & 9, 2025 (weather permitting).

**OES Lassen County – Not Present**

**SPI – Not Present**

**Honey Lake Power – Not Present.**

**Lassen County – Not Present**

**Honey Lake Valley RCD – Catherine Wooster, Post Fire Recovery Coordinator** gave project updates. Current projects included the completion of a grant request to treat 300 acres on the tree farm on Hwy 395 and continued work around Doyle with private landowners.

**American Red Cross – Deb Bumpus** gave updates on planned disaster preparedness training. Red Cross is looking for partnerships to host local meetings. Preparedness kits and flyers will be distributed in February and March 2026.

**Firewise Communities –Tonya Smith, LFSC** stated 10 of the 12 Lassen County Firewise Communities have successfully been granted renewal certification and thanked the community leaders for their collaboration. Jacquie Cordova of Westwood Firewise stated their certification is good for another 3 years.

**Golden State Natural Resources – Laurence Crabtree, GSNR Consultant** gave project updates. Laurence stated the CEQA process is six months out for the Nubeiber Plant. GSNR has received a USFS grant to move 90k green tons of biomass for forest preservation/mitigation efforts.

**V. Other – None Noted**

**VI. Public Comment/Questions – None noted.**

**VII. Next meeting – January 21, 2026. No December meeting scheduled.**

**VII. Adjournment of Meeting – The meeting adjourned at 6:15 PM**

*Chevi R. Amrein*

I, Chevi Amrein, Secretary/Treasurer of the Board of Directors, Lassen Fire Safe Council, do hereby certify the foregoing to be a fully true, and correct copy of the minutes.