

**LASSEN FIRE SAFE COUNCIL, INC.**  
**GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 18, 2026, 5:30PM**

The Lassen Fire Safe Council, Inc. (LFSC) convened in regular session at 5:35 PM on March 18, 2026, at the Susan River Fire Hall, Johnstonville, California. LFSC members present were Vice Chair, 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 5:35 PM. Introductions of the board members and staff were announced. Attendees also made verbal introductions.

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

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

**Active Projects**

**Cade Mohler** provided the LFSC Projects Overview and current mapping to the attendees. The spreadsheet documents the active projects, and the planned and proposed projects status updated March 18, 2026. Cade highlighted the Lassen Countywide Defensible Space Program. This grant was funded by California Climate Investments. Sign-ups can be accomplished online at [Lassenfiresafecouncil.org](http://Lassenfiresafecouncil.org).

**II. New Planned/Awarded Projects/Closed Projects – Spreadsheet Attached.** Cade stated they are actively working on three additional grant applications, including: Cow Creek Forest and Watershed Restoration; Eastside Communities, Lone Spring Project-Phase 1 and Acer Crosss Boundary Forest Health Project.

**III. Agency Updates**

**NRCS- Not Present.**

**SIR –Not Present.**

**US Wildland Fire Service (Formerly BLM)-Jason Bunker** gave staffing and agency updates.

**CalFire – Adam Mattos & Joshua Kern** were present to give agency updates. Operations are in full swing, including a mass hiring symposium completed today at the Devil’s Garden Training Center. 130 fire personnel were hired to serve in Lassen County. There is a scheduled and advertised 3-acre burn in the Paiute area in South Susanville, Lassen County, tomorrow March 19 ,2026.

**SNC – Not Present**

**USFS – LNF Bobette Jones, Eagle Lake District Ranger** gave the active forest management projects in Lassen County including Fire, Timber & Planning updates. Bobette highlighted the Eagle Lake Partnership with Lassen County as collaborative effort towards completion of the Fredonyer Trail Project. The Gallatin Boat Ramp at Eagle Lake will open to the public next Friday, March 27, 2026.

**OES Lassen County – Not Present**

**SPI – Steve DeBonis,** Almanor District gave project updates including progress on a 500-acre fuel break establishment near Hwy 44 in Lassen County. SPI has active fuels reduction and timber harvesting South of Hamilton Branch in Plumas County.

**Honey Lake Power – Not Present.**

**Lassen County – Not Present**

**Honey Lake Valley RCD – Not Present.**

**American Red Cross – Deb Bumpus** stated her team is helping to coordinate home fire safety training in the local elementary schools. Hands Off CPR/First Aid Training is scheduled for April 2026. Specific dates will be forthcoming.

**Firewise Communities –Tonya Smith, LFSC** The Lassen County Regional Coordinator meeting was held virtually on February 28, 2026. The meeting emphasized reporting and timelines to maintain Firewise certifications. May 2, 2026, is Community Wildfire Preparedness Day. LFSC wants to help advertise and possibly attend your events. Please contact Tonya or engage with our social media platforms to let us know about the schedule of events. LFSC has resources including hand-out materials to offer participants. **Jacquie Cordova** of Westwood Firewise stated there is a sponsored “Green Waste Clean Up Event” for the entire Westwood community on May 2, 2026. The green waste bins will be located at Cedar and Second Street.

**Golden State Natural Resources – Laurence Crabtree, GSNR Consultant** gave status updates of the Nubieber Power Plant, Environmental project on the Modoc and Region IV/EI Dorado National Forest plan to move biomass soon.

**V. Other – Guest Speaker Joshua Kern, Lassen Modoc Unit Chief** gave an introduction and presentation for the attendees. Welcome Josh.

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

**VII. Next meeting – April 15, 2026.**

**VII. Adjournment of Meeting – The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM**

**C.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.