



Wrightwood Fire Safe Council

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Meeting Minutes

Call to order: The general meeting for the Wrightwood Fire Safe Council (WFSC) was called to order by Jim Emery on March 18, 2025 at 1807 hours local time. This meeting was held at the Wrightwood Community Building. Audio of this meeting is available here: <https://www.wrightwoodfsc.com/zoom/WFSC.3.18.25.mp3>

Roll call: The following WFSC Board of Directors were present: John Aziz, Robert Comperini, Jim Emery, Hank Hallmark. Absent was: Tom Foley, David Larkin, Ben Smith, Tim Heinrich.

The following agency representatives were present: See attached attendance log.

Flag salute: The flag salute was led by Jim Emery.

Public Comments: Stretch Suba of CERT reported that a CPR / AED class was recently held. 9 people attended.

Approval of minutes: There was no quorum, the minutes will be approved at the next meeting.

Bridge Fire Updates: Jorge Perez of the ANF reported that a contract is being let to get rid of debris in the Blue Ridge area.

Cooperative partner & agency updates:

SB County Code Enforcement (Danielle McMahon): Danielle introduced herself as the new Code Enforcement Supervisor. She left flyers. Property inspections in 2025 will begin in June, after the Green Waste event. In 2024, 3481 properties were inspected. Of those, 574 received first notices of violation, 86 properties received 86 second notices, and the county had to clean 22 properties.

Angeles National Forest (Jorge Perez): Fire danger rating changed to "high". Fires in designated areas are once again allowed. A contract is being worked to provide fuel reduction along the north side of Big Pines Highway.

San Bernardino National Forest: No representative, no report.

CCC: No representative, no report.

CAL FIRE (Von Mason): A project to remove fire damaged trees in the Mountain High area is planned. Work will be done by the CCC, CAL FIRE Pilot Rock and Fenner crews The Phelan station is re-opening after a remodeling project. Construction of a new training facility at that location is also complete.

Caltrans: No representative, no report.

IERCD: See attached emails from Kayla Thompson and Julie Clark.

LA County AG: No representative, no report.

LA County Fire: No representative, no report.

SB County Fire (Jarrod Dowden): Jarrod is a wildland fuels specialist, and will be working with the Fire Hazard Abatement Group to make sure they are aware of the latest guidelines for upcoming inspections.

Statistics: This past period, SB County Fire responded to 70 calls. Those calls included 1 structure fire, 2 investigations, 2 hazmat, 57 medical aid, 5 public service and 3 traffic collision calls. Snowcat training took place recently.

New/continued business:

Fire hydrant mapping/adopting: Hank Hallmark is working on updating the hydrant map and adoptions. This information will be on display at WDAD, for people to sign up to “adopt” a hydrant.

WDAD: Jim Emery reminds everyone that our local Wildfire & Disaster Awareness Day (WDAD) will be held on May 10, 2025 in the parking lot of Mountain Hardware.

Tri-Community Green Waste Event will be held on May 30, 31, June 1, 2025. Hours of operation will be 9:00am to 3:00pm,

CWPP Update: No updates.

Treasurer's report: No report.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1845 hours local time. The next general WFSC meeting will be held on April 15, 2025.

Minutes submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Comperini". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Robert" and last name "Comperini" clearly distinguishable.

Robert Comperini, Secretary
Wrightwood Fire Safe Council

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- A GSOB Bioblitz will be scheduled in every county from the international border north to Ventura likely in June. Events will be free, include field training about how to recognize and report signs of GSOB, along with the activities to get the public into oak-studded neighborhoods, woodlands and forests to search for and report possible infestations. Kayla - Inland Empire Resource Conservation District or I will announce the event for San Bernardino County and I for Los Angeles County, once dates are confirmed.

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