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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 April 21, 2026 at 1800 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.4.21.26.mp3>.

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

The following agency representatives were present: There was a large number of attendees for this meeting. No attendance log was created.

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

Jim Emery acknowledged the many people in the room that came to the meeting to discuss the Lone Pine Canyon Quarry project.

The FSC meeting was never intended to be a meeting about the Quarry Mining project. This is our normal monthly meeting. We became aware of the quarry issue about one week ago, when the public also became aware of it. Because of that, we asked the County to send representatives from their Land Use department to discuss the quarry. This is not the "public forum" for this quarry project.

### Public Comments:

CERT: CERT held a basic training class 2 weeks ago. 21 people attended. 3 of those attendees were from Wrightwood. The next CERT meeting will be held this coming Thursday. Narcan training will be held in May. A ham radio tech license class is to be held June 20-21.

A community collaborative painting event will be held on Friday of this week, in celebration of Earth Day. This will take place at Vivian Null park.

A resident suggested that everyone sign up for notifications on the San Bernardino County website. Apparently, notice of this quarry project was previously announced.

A resident voiced a complaint about a neighbor burning trash in an outside fire pit. The resident complained to SB County Fire about this. The resident claims that SBC Fire personnel told the offender that fire pits were allowed, but not for the burning of trash. The resident claimed that the SBC representative told the offender to put a grate over the fire pit and call it a BBQ. The SBC Battalion Chief present at the meeting agreed that this information was not correct. The BC assured the resident that he would make sure that fire personnel were made aware of the regulations, to ensure that no bad information is being spread by department personnel.

Jim Emery announced the fire hydrant program to the audience and asked for volunteers.

Judy Bryson of The Wrightwood Place thanked CAL FIRE for planting new tree seedlings. The IERCD will be delivering more seedlings soon. Another volunteer opportunity to plant trees will take place in May.

A resident reminded everyone to drive safely, with many children in the area.

**Approval of minutes:** The minutes of the 03/17/2026 meeting was accepted as written. Motion to approve made by John Aziz. Motion seconded by Tim Heinrich. Motion approved 6/0. Hank Hallmark abstained as he was not at the March meeting.

**Lone Pine Canyon Road Quarry:** Representatives from San Bernardino County Land Use Services were in attendance. They gave a presentation to the attendees of the meeting. They discussed that this mining application was filed in 2019 and was approved. The owner of the property was granted a vested mining right to mine the high purity limestone that exists on the property. 3 open pits are planned. A Geologist has reviewed their plan and found it to be complete. There is no concern for blasting causing any seismic activity. Environmental documents are now being prepared. A lengthy conversation took place between residents in attendance, and the County representatives. There were many complaints about the comment period being so short. In response to these complaints, the County representatives agreed to extend the public comment period to May 8, 2026. The next step will be a hearing on this issue, to be conducted at the end of June.

**Cooperative partner & agency updates:**

Anges National Forest: A new fire captain, Paul Montano, introduced himself. Prescribed burns are taking place on the west side of the Forest. The Forest is currently operating under “moderate” fire conditions.

A resident proposed that funding be found for the FSC to procure a woodchipper. Jim Emery responded that the WFSC is too small and underfunded to provide such a service. There would be a lot of liability involved with operating a chipper. Jim recommends that residents take advantage of our annual Green Waste Event, and the events often hosted by CAL FIRE at their Phelan station.

San Bernardino National Forest: No representative, no report.

CCC: No representative, no report.

CAL FIRE: CAL FIRE is transitioning to year-around staffing and getting away from having seasonal firefighters. The LA-100 program will be providing education to communities on fire safety and prevention. LA-100 CAL FIRE inspections will probably not begin until September. The new “Zone Zero” regulations are still in the public comment phase. CAL FIRE’s pest management person introduced himself. He answered some questions from the audience.

Caltrans: No representative, no report.

IERCD: No representative, no report.

LA County AG: Vacant parcels in the LA County side of Wrightwood, will be inspected around the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week, in May. Parcel clearing will commence around the 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> week of June.

LA County Fire: No representative, no report.

SB County Fire: Annual training is taking place now. Discussed upcoming fire season staffing levels. SBC Fire has already responded to various grass fires on the desert floor. There have been some firefighting policy changes that have come out because of the Palisades Fire. New mop-up standards are in place. These include thermal imagery to make sure all hot spots are out. John Aziz asked if the seismic simulator would be available for WDAD. SBC Fire will try to get it up here for that event.

SB County Code Enforcement: No representative, no report. John Aziz reported that inspections are supposed to begin June 1, 2026.

CR&R: Their drivers have been receiving training to handle fires on their trucks. Part of the training includes moving the truck to a safe area where the fire can be put out. These safe areas include the area of Highway 2

& Desert Front Road, The intersection of Highway 138 & Highway 2 and the area of Sheep Creek & Wright Mountain Road. Vehicles have had fire suppression systems installed.

**New/continued business:**

Wildfire & Disaster Awareness Day will be held on May 9, 2026 from 10:00am to 2:00pm in the Mountain Hardware parking lot.

Green Waste Event will be held May 29-31, 2026, from 9:00am to 3:00pm daily, at 1450 Highway 2 in Wrightwood.

Jim mentioned Fire hydrant adoption program, Contact Hank Hallmark to volunteer to adopt a hydrant.

CWPP: No new information.

**Treasurer's report:** There was no activity during this period.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 1950 hours local time. The next general WFSC meeting will be held on May 19, 2026.

Minutes submitted by:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Comperini". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'R' and 'C'.

Robert Comperini, Secretary  
Wrightwood Fire Safe Council