

Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP)
MEETING MINUTES

2/5/2007 at

North Routt Fire Protection District (NRFPD) Station II

Present:

John Twitchell	CSFS
Bob Reilley	NRFPD + Captains Cove Subdivision
Bill Speaker	Red Creek
Karen Kosakowski	Ranches at Steamboat Lake
Deb Alpe	CSU Coop Extension
Selina Heintz	Home Ranch
Charlie Comme	Vista Verde Ranch
Lynn Barclay	BLM Mitigation/Ed
Chuck Vale	RCOEM
Jamie Kingsbury	Forest Service
Dave Hessel	Willow Creek Pass
Marge Eardly	Hahns Peak
Dave Moss	Seedhouse/North Routt FPD

Agenda: Introductions

Review Risk Assessments

Fuel Hazard Recommendations

Structural Ignitability

Emergency Preparedness Recommendations

Next meeting date

Reviewed:

In reviewing our last meeting on risk assessments, the group felt that there needed to be an emphasis on individual responsibility in reference to fuel hazards and emergency preparedness.

Under the pine/fir/spruce fuel hazard, it was felt we should add “exasperated by mpb and sbb mortality”.

Wherever Steamboat Lake Subdivision is used we should also include “Willow Creek Subdivision”, as both names are commonly used.

Also, add powerline on Big Creek Ridge and phone lines as critical infrastructure.

Fuel Hazard Recommendations (Rate as high, medium or low risk to community)

USFS Fuel Treatment Current Progress:

- Seedhouse (In progress)
- Larson 2 (2008), High
- Big Creek Ridge, Medium
- Prospector, High
 - Consider strategic fuel breaks for HOA, High
 - Recommend fuel reduction on State Parks and particularly DOW land, High
 - Review for treatment on all state lands within the WUI, Medium
 - USFS land adjacent to Willow Creek subdivision, High
 - Utilize existing roads for fuel breaks, thin adjacent
 - State, federal and private lands adjacent to Pearl Lake, High
 - Treat fuels near homes, firewise, High

Structural Ignitability

- Create defensible space and reduce fire hazards on private property
- Evaluate defensibility of private property
- Post standardized address signs
- Research cost and feasibility of dry hydrant placement
- Encourage market and slash disposal for private landowners
- Maximize opportunities for fuel treatment in power line clearing
- Evaluate existing WUI codes for rural communities
- Promote firewise education through HOA's, fire districts and community meetings

Emergency Preparedness Recommendations

- www.readycolorado.gov Develop a North Routt, individual and subdivision evacuation – reverse 911 (41% effective)
- Explore community notification methods; identify people with mobility/health issues.
- Animal evacuation
- Annual review of CWPP in late spring
- Executive summary and website

Next meeting will be April 2nd, 2007 at 7pm at the station II in North Routt.

Meeting adjourned.