

**Palomar Mountain Fire Safe Council Foundation**  
 No PMFSC Board meeting May 24 2025 (Pancake Breakfast)  
**PMFSC Activity Report for PMVFD Meeting June 7, 2025**

Topic	Status
Financial status	<p>FY24</p> <p>Monthly Financial report: (04/30/2025)</p> <p>Total cash/assets <b>\$ 10,410.50</b></p> <p>Cash Checking <b>\$ 9876.32</b></p> <p>    Unrestricted <b>\$ 9876.32</b></p> <p>    Restricted <b>\$ 0</b></p> <p>        CCI/CAL FIRE <b>\$ 0</b></p> <p>        NRP <b>\$ 0</b></p> <p>        SDRFF <b>\$ 0</b></p> <p>Cash Savings</p> <p>    Unrestricted <b>\$ 516.66</b></p> <p>    Restricted <b>\$17.45</b></p> <p>Expenses</p> <p>    Total <b>\$9850.00</b></p> <p>        PMFSC <b>\$1450.00 (CEQA)</b></p> <p>            <b>\$ 9,400 (Stumpmasters)</b></p> <p>        Grant funded <b>\$ 0 (CCI to reimburse for CEQA &amp; Stumpmasters )</b></p> <p>Revenue</p> <p>    Total: <b>\$3,140.78</b></p> <p>    Grant funding: <b>\$ 0</b></p> <p>        Indirect/reimbursement <b>\$ 0</b></p> <p>    Paypal <b>\$ 1512.78</b></p> <p>    Donations <b>\$ 1,628.00</b></p> <p>    Other <b>\$</b></p> <p>Liabilities <b>\$</b></p> <p>Reimbursement/ Fees/payments:</p> <p><b>Current Cash Balance (05/23/25)</b></p> <p>    Total cash <b>\$ 27,016.62</b></p> <p>    Unrestricted <b>\$ 11,499.10</b></p> <p>    Restricted <b>\$ 15,517.52</b></p> <p>Other:</p> <p>-CCI advance requested to reimburse ~\$7000 of CCI work already done in Birch Hill and begin work west of Sta 79</p> <p>-Insurance renewal paid (06/25)</p>

Insurance	<p>-General SDFSC Mtg (03/13/25) Zone 0 <b>IBHS Insurers Institute Business &amp; Home Safety</b> (individual HO/HOA focus) vs. <b>Firewise</b> (community focus) discussed. Firewise (NFA) best applies to us.</p> <p>-Firewise not necessary for CCI, SDRFF &amp; NRP grants or required to qualify for CA FAIR fire insurance</p> <p>-Palomar needs to join Firewise to reduce fire insurance premiums.</p> <p><i>Safer from Wildfire (2022):</i> CA Dept Insurance regulation: requires insurance companies to recognize <b>Firewise USA</b> designated communities and provide discounts.  <b>CA FAIR Firewise discounts:</b>  Firewise community 10%  Structural protection /home hardening:10%  Defensible space protection 5%  Combined max 14.5%  -Jim Desmond <b>Insurance Town Hall</b> Webinar (06/05/25) available on line (Sharon Smith/Outreach analyst CA Dept Insurance)  Link sent to PMPO, PMVFD, Bonnie Phelps/PMNews</p>
Fundraising/Donations	Nothing new
CAL Fire SD Cty Fire Protection District (SDCty Fire Authority)	
Fire Advisory Board	
USFS	<p>Dana Barre Fuels Management Report: (4/25/25)</p> <p>-<b>Birch Hill:</b> Completed the Birch Hill <b>prescribed burn (56 acres)</b> unit for the year.</p> <p>-<b>Penny Pines:</b> We still have 15 acres of timber piles within the --Penny Pines: plantation that will be <b>burned next year</b> (with snow). The green timber was thinned last fall, and the wood was not cured enough to burn this season – hence the rollover RX work for next year.</p> <p>-<b>Observatory:</b> Completed prescribed fire work in Observatory Unit 1 (8 acres).</p> <p>-<b>Jeff Valley:</b>Completed prescribed fire work in Jeff Valley <b>unit 18a (52 acres)</b> &amp; part of the <b>Unit 13 machine piles</b> (5 acres – burned what was cured). <u>We have a much more prescribed fire work to do in Jeff Valley next season.</u> <b>Currently building a new burn plan to allow surface fire (versus just pile burning) which should open more opportunities and may help us increase our prescribed fire pace and scale as it relates to this project.</b></p> <p>-<b>Fry Creek:</b> Have a cut/pile contract (prebid) meeting with prospective contractors at the end of this month; with planned contract start after Labor Day. It will be for 182 acres cut/pile and dead tree felling in Fry Creek.</p> <p>-<b>Jeff Valley:</b> Have a <b>35-acre targeted (spray only cut shrub stumps and regrowth) herbicide spray</b> contract planned to start the first week in June (estimated) for <b>Jeff Valley</b> units 3/8 (two most-western units above and west of Conifer Rd.)</p> <p>-<b>Aguanga:</b> Have plans to <b>broadcast burn on Aguanga Unit 2</b> (up to 100 acres - near High Point lookout) in mid-May – activity and accomplishments are weather dependent, of course.</p>
FSCSDC/RCD	<p>-<b>WUI workshop</b> June 14 @ Station 79: Goal is to attract new owners/residents who haven't attended before. Scheduled for AM only, afternoon field trip which everyone felt was most useful no longer included. Will contact Rex Hambley re short field trip at end of AM session.</p> <p>-CWPP being updated. Will add water storage</p> <p>-PMFSC has requested a community chipping day. TBS</p>
PMVFD/PMCFA	deferred
PMPO	Funded 2/4 dumpsters (April/May 2025)
CERT	deferred
CCPM	deferred

Completed grants	<p>1.SDG&amp;E (2016) \$2500 for community education projects/workshops</p> <p>2.SDG&amp;E (2017) \$2500 for community education projects/workshops</p> <p>3.SDG&amp;E (2018) \$2500</p> <p>4. USFS/FSCSDC Palomar Fuel Reduction Grant (2017)Final report: Curbside chipping-65 homes; DSAP coast share prepwork-22 homes; dead trees removed-8. WUI workshop held 8/18.</p> <p>5.NRP (Neighborhood Reinvestment Program) 2017-18: \$10,000-All funds expended for Fire Gel home kits/2 diesel power washers.</p> <p>6. SDG&amp;E (2019) \$2500</p> <p>7. NRP (Neighborhood Reinvestment Program) 2018-19 \$48,328 Dumpster weekends (8) 116 land/homeowners/40.2 tons. Chipping (9 days/half days): 42 landowners</p> <p>8.SDG&amp;E 2020: (\$2500) Community education/fuel reduction.</p> <p>9. NRP 2020: Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (NRP) 2020 \$25,000) Grant backdated to July 1, 2020. Chipping 12 days; Dumpster 10 weekends; Barricade 1 Home Kit</p> <p>10. SDRFF2021 (\$2500) Dumpster, insurance, community education</p> <p>11. CCI (2019-2022) \$169,520 Emergency access/evacuation road improvement (BirchHill/Crestline)</p> <p>12. SDRFF SAFE (2022) \$12,000 Wildfire Safety community education, defensible space improvement</p> <p>13. NRP (2022) \$48,827 Defensible space fuel reduction, wildfire risk reduction, evacuation safety End: 09/30/23-Final Report submitted to SD Cty Supervisors 10/26/23. Activities: 12 chipping days @ \$1500; 7 dumpster days @ \$893; Fire Gel: \$22,680; 14. Evacuation signage: \$1877.82</p> <p>14. SDRFF SAFE 2023 (\$10,000) 6/1/23-4/15/24: Fuel reduction (dumpster/chipping), General liability/D&amp;O PMFSC Board insurance. 3 dumpsters, 4 chipping days, liability insurance</p> <p>15. SDRFF SAFE 2024 (\$12,000) 6/1/24-4/15/25 6 Dumpsters, 2 on-site Chipping, \$1200B oard D&amp;O/Liability insurance</p>
Current grants	<p><b>CCI CAL FIRE: 5GG22153: (\$149,700) 12/27/2023 - 03/15/2029</b></p> <p><i>“Palomar Mountain Emergency Access and Emergency Evacuation Project”</i></p> <p>Roadside brushclearing/tree removal for emergency access/evacuation &amp; critical infrastructure protection</p> <p><u>-CEQA:</u> Exemption approved for roads west of Station 79</p> <p><u>-Landowner consent:</u> Most land owned by one owner (Ray Carpenter) who is supportive. Have consent from local residents, landowners.</p> <p><u>-Work done:</u> Only in Birch-Hil thus far as first CCI grant CEQA (valid for several years) and owner consent (3 yrs) continue to apply.</p> <p><b>-PMFSC due reimbursement for recent, additional work in Birch Hill area funded by PMFSC after all first advance funding used for previous work .</b></p> <p><b>PMFSC funding 2 workdays @ \$2350 to be reimbursed by 2<sup>nd</sup> grant advance</b></p> <p><b>Funding advance #2: Will apply ASAP. 4-6 week delay in receiving funds.</b></p> <p><b>SDRFF SAFE 2025 (\$15,000) 6/1/25-4/15/26</b> Funded by SDG&amp;E</p> <p>On-site Chipping (X 4 @ \$1750 )</p> <p>Dumpsters (X 7 @ \$1000)</p> <p>Insurance(\$1800).</p> <p><b>RCD Dead/dying tree removal 2024-2026 Crestline/Birch Hill:</b> Defensible space improvement (\$250,000)</p> <p>DDT will be removed within 150' of sheds, barns, etc in addition to all habitable structures. May be able to extend out to 300'in some circumstances.</p> <p><b>-Funding.</b> RCD awaiting funding release from USFS.</p> <p><b>-Sign-ups</b> are continuing. If people have a neighboring parcel with no structure, it is still worthwhile to sign up.</p> <p><b>-Map</b> shows who has signed up and what parcels we have surveyed.</p> <p><b>-Tree removal:</b> Plan is still to start removing trees around the end of May.</p> <p><b>Volunteer hours:</b> Valued at @ \$39/hr in 2025</p>
2024 Submitted Grants	None
2025 Potential Grants	<p><b>2025 NRP</b> Chipping, dumpster</p> <p><b>2025: CCI</b> water storage \$150,000</p> <p><b>2025: PMPO</b> TOT grant: 30 J Rock removal</p>
Community Activities & Workshops	<b>WUI June 14</b>
<b>Next PMFSC Board Meeting:</b> June 28, 2025 @ 9AM at PMCC In person & ZOOM	