

Palomar Mountain Fire Safe Council Foundation
Report for PMPO Annual Meeting May 27, 2017
and PMVFD Meeting June 3, 2017

Topic	Status
PMFSC Purpose	Promote wildfire protection and fire safety through fuel reduction programs and community education. Non-profit corporation founded in 2002. Members: All Palomar landowners, residents, community members. Several large USFS fuel reduction grants 2007-2010. Hiatus in activity 2011-2015. Activity resumed in 2016. Federal and State 501c3 reinstatement approval completed as of 01/17
	PMFSC meeting scheduled May 27,2017 cancelled due to PMPO Annual Meeting held May 27
Financial status	Bank balance (04/30/17): ~\$2500
Community educational activities	Website: www.mypalomarmountain.com/firesafecouncil (agenda/minutes/announcements) Postings on Community Bulletin board outside Post Office Workshops planned for this year: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1.Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) Coordinated by the FSCSDC through USFS grant 2.Chain saw USE, CARE & SAFETY 3. Use of fire gel (Barricade) improved product (no outdate) and new recommendations for more limited application
Grants: active	USFS Palomar Fuel Reduction Grant: to create 100' Defensible Space around homes provides \$80,000 (\$120,000 total allocated) for chipping, prep work, dead tree removal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - \$50,000 for individual chipping - \$18,000 for prep work with 50% cost share (=\$36,000) - \$12,000 dead tree removal (≤ 25 ft from structure) <p style="text-align: center;">End Date 12/31/17</p> Sponsored and administered by FSCSDC/RCD. Coordinating all requests/work. Britney Munoz: FSCSDC/RCD representative for PMFSC (Sheryl Landrum-administrator) PMFSC sent announcement including FSCSDC flier to names on PMPO mailing list and to all Palomar PO Boxes in Nov 2016. Apply on-line. Information on PMFSC website. Need fuel piled for chipping when request made No delay after request .Can apply more than once. FUNDS AVAILABLE CalFire/USFS Defensible space inspection scheduled end May/early June. USFS will help distribute announcement fliers during defensible space inspection. 2. SDG&E 2016 funding (\$2500) for community education projects. Funded
Grants: submitted/pending	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. SDG&E (2017 \$2500 for community education 2. San Diego County Neighborhood Reinvestment Program for fire gel to distribute to homeowners

Grants: submitted/not funded	- SRA Fuel Reduction Grant-2017 (\$200,000) for 1) improvement in Crestline/Birch Hill (Borland to Conifer) contingency evacuation route 2) fuel reduction on land outside the 100' defensible space. NOT FUNDED. Plan: Revise & resubmit next cycle.
Grants: potential	- USFS grants or fuel reduction OUTSIDE 100' defensible space require 50% share of cost with commitment in writing up front. To be submitted May 2018.
Projects: Evacuation Routes	-Alternative contingency (evacuation) routes for Crestline/Birch Hill: Exit to East grade 1. Private road (32 J) loop from Crestline Rd through Borland's to Conifer Road and East Grade (S7) is passable with 4-wheel drive/small trucks. Low clearance vehicles would have difficulty and large emergency/fire vehicles can't get through. Gate at Conifer/East Grade secured with a lock. Needs improvement for 2 wheel drive vehicles and access of larger fire/emergency vehicles. Owner consent being sought for road improvement and roadside brushclearing. Per PMPO meeting: May need <i>new survey and new easement</i> for any segment involving road realignment outside current easement. 2. Dirt track through Wall's property from Crestline to East grade is well graded, easily passable and well maintained by landowner. 3. Old road from Birch Hill to East grade through private and USFS land would need to be cleared, graded and the final portion through USFS land drops off abruptly (6 ft) to East Grade and would need modification. 4. Work with Cal Fire and County on County wide evacuation plan
USFS	Michelle Bletcher (Patrol 32): New USFS Palomar forester and liaison for PMFSC.
FSCSDC	PMFSC representatives attend bimonthly meeting
Fundraising	Thanks to all donors. Donations welcome!
Board/Meetings	Monthly meetings 4 th Saturday of the month PMFSC Board: 3 seats open for volunteers

Next PMFSC Board Meeting: 10:00 AM Saturday June 24, 2017 @ Station 79 PMVFD Board Room
All community members welcome