



MEETING SUMMARY

Steering Committee / Planning Partner Meeting #2

January 28, 2025

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Attendance

Steering Committee Member

Rae Bell Arbogast

Tom Archer

Danielle Bradfield

Vickie Clark

Magdalene DeBerg

Paul Douville

Billy Epps

Kathy Fischer

Mike Fisher

Victoria Fisher

Steve Folsom

Joe Griffin

Scott Hall

Lee Kiolbasa

Rick Maddalena (Chair)

Jeff McCollum (alt.)

Sue McIlravy

Brandon Pangman

Tina Slowan-Pomeroy

Sean Snider

Bruce Troedson

Janet Drummond (alt.)

LeTina Vanetti (Vice Chair)

Representing

Alleghany County Water District

Pliocene Ridge Community Services District

Sierraville Public Utility District

Sierra County Fire Safe Council

Family Resource Center (FRC)/Food Bank

Inc. Senior Citizens of Sierra County/Meals on Wheels/Food Bank

Downieville Public Utility District

Sierra County Public Works

Downieville Day Spa

Sierra County Sherriff's Office

Eastern Plumas Health Care Board

Downieville Fire Protection District

USFS Leadership Tahoe Forest

Sierra City Fire Protection District

Liberty Utilities

Sierra County Fire Protection District #1

City of Loyalton

Sierra County Building/Planning

Sierra County

Sierra-Plumas Joint Unified School District

Sierra County Waterworks Calpine District No. 1

Sierra County OES

Black & Veatch

Rob Flaner, Project Manager

Megan Brotherton, Lead Planner

Carol Baumann, Risk Assessment Lead

Erin Schanen, Planner

Additional Attendees

Bryan Davey, Sierra County Public Works

Katie Russell, Public Health Emergency Preparedness

Sharon Johnson, Sierra County Environmental Health



Agenda Item and Summary

1. Welcome and Introductions	Motion to approve the October meeting summary: LeTina Vanetti Second: Sue McIlravy No objections
2. Confirm Vision Statement for the Plan	Committee recommended including the italicized words in the suggested vision statement: "Reduce the vulnerability to <i>and protect against</i> natural hazards in order to protect the health, safety, welfare, and economy of the Sierra County community." Motion to adopt vision statement as revised: Sue McIlravy Second: LeTina Vanetti No objections
3. Confirm Mitigation Goals	Committee recommended removing the term "climate change" from Goal #2 suggested by the CPT and revise as follows: "Minimize or reduce current and future changing conditions that may cause damage from natural hazards to property, including critical facilities and the environment." All other goals are acceptable. Megan to follow up with Cal OES to verify that the term "climate change" can be eliminated from the goals. Cal OES response on January 28, 2025: It is not incorrect to exclude the term "climate change" from the goals, but the term "future changing conditions" needs to be defined in the text of the plan. Motion to accept goals as revised: Bruce Troedson Second: Brandon Pangman No objections
4. Risk Assessment Overview	Committee recommended changing the dividing line between Eastern and Western Sierra County to include Independence Lake with Eastern Sierra County. Bryan Pangman noted that the current FEMA flood mapping does not include the Sierra Valley, so the 100-yr flood map should be revised. Note: the map shown during the meeting should have been labeled as the California Flood Awareness Maps which is not adopted or enforced.



	<p>The EQ fault line and epicenter maps from the General Plan Safety Element will be included in the HMP.</p> <p>CAL FIRE is updating the State Responsibility Area mapping and will be available later this month. The updated maps will be used in the HMP.</p> <p>Add a narrative in the plan that describes the difference between mapped fire severity in mapped Federal and privately owned land.</p> <p>Watch Duty app shows historic fire perimeters. Integrate the CWPP with the HMP. County to share POCs for the CWPP update.</p>
<p>5. Planning Partner Annex Overview of Phase 1</p>	<p>Annex templates and instructions will be shared with the Planning Partners and all will have until the end of February to complete Phase 1.</p> <p>Black & Veatch will set up a technical assistance call on February 12 to help Planning Partners who want to call in.</p> <p>Fire District response boundaries will be shared with Black & Veatch, but good GIS data is not available for actual district boundaries. Consider adding a mitigation action item to clearly identify district boundaries in a GIS platform.</p>
<p>6. Next Steps</p>	<p>Public Outreach Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continue to promote the County hazard mitigation web page and public hazard awareness survey.• 148 responses have been received from the survey with 69 people who have signed up to receive hazard awareness emails.• The survey can be left open for the duration of the planning process. <p>Phase 1 Annex templates will be released soon. Phase 2 will be released in March.</p> <p>Continue to participate in public outreach efforts for the plan.</p> <p>Meeting adjourned 11:27 a.m.</p>