

**Sierra Nevada Forest and Community Initiative
Regional Coordinating Council Agenda
November 30, 2010, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.
Angelo's Hall
11209 State Street
Columbia, CA 95310**

I. Discussion Relative to the Coordinating Council's Purpose and Function: member role's, responsibilities, structure, and operation/protocols.

- a. Collaborative Consensus Based Process -- What process do we follow?
 - Stewardship Council
 - Amador Calaveras Consensus Group
- b. Meeting Frequency – Quarterly meetings with conference calls as needed.
- c. Work Groups may be established to address specific issues, such as:
 - Forest Management Issues
 - Funding
 - Economic Development, Business Incubation

II. SNFCI Activities to Date

- a. An update on SNFCI endorsements to date
- b. Presentation by the SNC staff on the most creative elements and most implementation-oriented activities within local collaboratives
- c. Potential for partnerships to provide technical support
 - Forestry, Wildlife, Fire Professionals
 - Academia
 - Economic Development (Related to wood/biomass)

III. Consider adoption of guiding documents to help define our desired outcomes

- a. USFS Leadership Intent – Memorandum of Intent
- b. Forest Guild Biomass Policy
- c. GTR-220 - An Ecosystem Management Strategy for Sierran Mixed-Conifer Forests
- d. 2010 Strategic CA Fire Plan for California Goals

IV. Key policy issues to consider (see issue papers for each item below)

- a. Reauthorization of the Stewardship Contracting Authority
- b. Reauthorization of the Secure Rural Schools Funding
- c. Funding for the Collaborative Forest Landscape Restoration Program
- d. Potential Funding for Wood Processing and Renewable Energy Related Business Incubation
- e. Federal Policy Regarding Renewable Biomass Energy
- f. Air Quality Issues Related to the Use of Fire
- g. NEPA Issues

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V. Public Comment

VI. Next Steps

- a. Meeting Schedule for 2011
- b. Review of Actions Agreed Upon at This Meeting
- c. Other