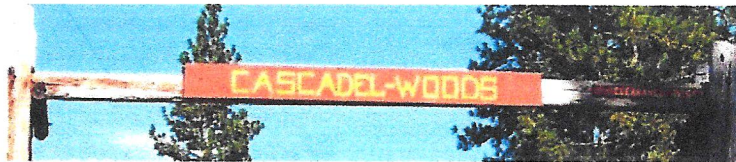


THE WOODS

A NEWSLETTER FROM THE CASCADEL WOODS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION VOLUME 13 DECEMBER 2016



CSA-21

Member Survey Nearly Unanimous

In an unprecedented response, with well over a majority of Members responding and only one Member in apposition, the CWPOA membership responded with a clear message for the CWPOA Board of Directors to pursue the dissolution of the CSA-21 District, which would transfer title of the Clubhouse and recreational open spaces back to the CWPOA, insuring control of our shared land by the property owners for the future.

The CWPOA Board followed up this response with a letter to Supervisor Tom Wheeler and Chairman Rick Farinelli requesting to meet with County staff to discuss the dissolution of CSA-21 as originally proposed by county staff on Nov 1. This letter outlined our responsibility to represent our members in this matter and emphasized our hope that the county would work with the CWPOA to facilitate what should be an amicable and simple process to resolve the County's frustrations in attempting to manage the CSA-21.

CWPOA Holiday Potluck

The CWPOA Holiday Potluck was held Saturday, December 3 at the Clubhouse with a great turnout of almost 40 residents and amazing food. Folks had a chance to catch up and enjoy a delicious meal surrounded by the fabulous winter wonderland theme created for the evening festivities by community volunteers Lisa Wood, Toby Delaney and Carol Eggink. Thanks to Warren Cox for providing Holiday favorites with his guitar.

Grants

2016 CAL FIRE State Responsibility Area Fire Prevention Fund and Tree Mortality Grant Program

Residents considered high priority will be notified after the first of the year to update their liability/release forms to access property as needed and to provide more information related to the specific implementation of the grant.

The CWPOA recently learned that our grant application, in partnership with the Foundation for

Resource Conservation Inc., was awarded **\$129,391** for hazard tree removal in Cascadel Woods.

The list of recipients can be found on the following link: <http://sierranewsonline.com/over-15-million-in-cal-fire-grants-aimed-at-tree-mortality/>

These funds are intended to help reduce the public safety threat of trees at risk of falling on roads, homes, and other infrastructure within the community of Cascadel Woods.

2016 State Fire Assistance Program (SFA) California Fire Safe Council Grant

This grant, previously awarded, is now being funded and will be used to remove dead trees, logs and hazardous fuels on private property within the Cascadel Woods subdivision.

The start date for this 2-year grant was October 1, 2016. The CWPOA has been recording volunteer time, asset usage and expenses as of this date for "in-kind" fund matching requirement supported by the CWPOA, Cascadel Woods Firewise Committee and Cascadel Fire Brigade.

Additionally; any work performed by you, on your own property to reduce fire hazards, may also be counted as "in-kind" match for this grant. Any weed eating, clearing of brush, mowing or removal of "fuels" counts to offset the matching requirements of the grant. Please take the time to fill out the enclosed form so we may include your work as part of our matching contributions. Return the completed form to Stan or Brian. Contact info below.

Two CWPOA Board Members, Stan Eggink and Aimee Cox recently attended the 2016 Grant Award Workshop in Sacramento, CA to learn about the requirements, expectations, and procedures of this grant.

Please contact Stan Eggink, President, CWPOA at (559) 877-6290 or Brian Curtis, Project Manager at (559) 877-4379 for more information.

Debris Chipping in The Woods

The Cascadel Woods Firewise Committee and Cascadel Fire Brigade are sponsoring this on-going project to clear debris from the roadsides and private property at your request. This project is not to remove debris created by the PG&E crews. Chipping and removal of smaller dead trees/brush will continue on the road easements as possible so not to interfere with the work being done by the PG&E crews.

The use of this chipper and the time spent by volunteers help to remove hazardous fuels from the community and contribute to the community's in-kind cost share requirements of our new SFA grant.

Contact Info: Please contact Warren Cox at warrenc32559@gmail.com or at (559) 760-9082 if you are interested in having piles chipped or would like to assist in volunteering to make our community more fire safe.

Events and Meetings

- **Water Company Board of Directors**
Friday, December 9 at 4 p.m. at the Clubhouse
- **Firewise Committee/Fire Brigade**
Saturday, December 17 at 10 a.m. at the Clubhouse

NEXT MONTH

- **Cascadel Woods Property Owners Association Board of Directors** Saturday, January 14 at 10 a.m. at the Clubhouse

Tree Removal Crews

PG&E Subcontractors are currently felling trees and removing debris on private property. This effort is expected to continue for several months.

Road Maintenance

Members of the Cascadel Fire Brigade, CWPOA Board and a resident all assisted in the removal of a tree blocking traffic flow on Cascadel Drive during the Mono Winds on Friday Dec 2 at 7:30 am. A big thank you to all who came out to help.

The CWPOA is planning to hold off on any major work due to the extensive tree removal activity and heavy truck and equipment use of our roads. The CWPOA will repair what is necessary and continue to clear road edges from brush and debris.

Water Company News

The Winter recommended outdoor watering effective Nov 1, 2016 is as follows:

Odd addresses: Saturday

Even addresses: Sunday

No watering allowed between 10am and 6pm

Maximum monthly usage without penalty is 2500 cubic feet. Usage over 2500 cubic feet per month billed at \$0.05 per cubic foot. Additionally, monthly usage over 3000 cubic feet will incur a fine of \$50.00 for each 500 cubic foot increment or portion thereof.

For more information, if you spot a leak or need assistance, please contact the CWPOA or Water Company at (559) 877-2635 or cascadelwoods@netptc.net

Exciting Things Are taking Place

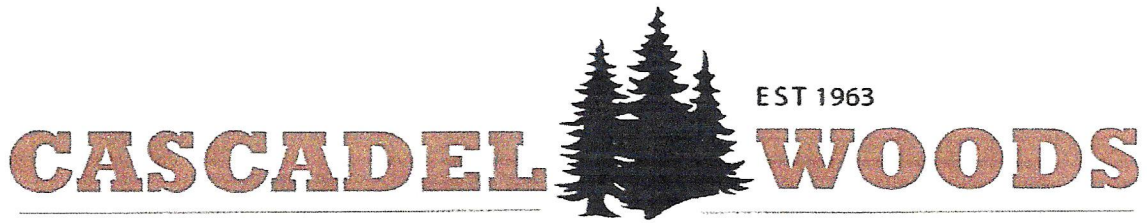
The CWPOA board has launched an initiative to better position the association to reach out to funders, regulators, and government officials. Association members Michael and Toby Delaney are providing pro bono consultation and technical services to strengthen our approach. Michael is a communications strategist. He and Toby own Delaney Matrix, a marketing consultancy based in Fresno.

The new CWPOA Logo at the top of this page was designed by Delaney Matrix.



Your Newsletter

We hope you enjoyed The Woods Newsletter. Please send your submissions for the next newsletter to Aimee Cox, CWPOA Secretary, by December 28, 2016 at aimeeleigh1209@gmail.com.



PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Volunteer Time Sheet for In-Kind Contribution

Organization Name (e.g. Cascadel Woods Fire Brigade) Please Print	
Individual's name Please Print	
Grant #:	16-SFA-55299
Project Name:	Cascadel Woods Fuels Reduction Project - 2016 State Fire Assistance Program (SFA) California Fire Safe Council Grant

Mailing Address:	
Phone:	
Signature:	

Date(s)	Description of Activity (e.g. chipping, pile burning)	Location (e.g. where the work was performed)	Hours Donated	Rate (\$23.42 for Volunteer) or Other	Items Donated (e.g. fuel)

To be completed by CWPOA Office:

Quarter:	
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If you have any questions please contact the CWPOA at (559) 877-2635.

Please return completed form to: Cascadel Woods Property Owners Association, P.O. Box 734, North Fork, CA 9364 or Fax: (559) 877-4024 or email your scanned completed form to:

cascadelwoods@netptc.net

Thank you from the CWPOA Board of Directors.