

Mono Basin FSC Meeting Summary (2/5/21):

Compiled by Robbie Di Paolo

1. We reviewed the new Mono Basin FSC webpage hosted by Sierra Wildlife Alliance:

- <https://www.eswildfirealliance.org/mono-basin-fsc>
- Content we talked about adding:
 - Inciweb
 - Code Red
 - Smoke info (GBUAPCD)
 - Earthquake info
 - Extreme fire prohibition info (e.g. Inyo special fire restrictions)
 - Mono County fire restrictions (e.g. Lundy Canyon)
 - Humboldt-Toiyabe conditions/restrictions
- Robbie will be working with Holly and Chance to improve page organization, add additional content, and discuss a workflow for updating the page with up-to-date info.

2. Annamaria provided an update about fuels mitigation near Mono City:

- Field trip to assess fuel concerns at the fire break south of Mono City will occur once the snow melts – stay tuned for an invitation to attend.
- Annamaria will be running some fire models for areas adjacent to Mono City with regards to wildfire concerns related to dispersed camping and other activities.
- Annamaria advocating for the Inyo to:
 - Assess riparian fuel reduction considerations for Mill Creek disperse camp sites and areas immediately below Mono City.
 - Develop/implement a strategy for addressing the dispersed camping concerns along Mill Creek immediately upstream of HWY 395.
- Mono Basin FSC interested in assisting with:
 - Advocating for measures that would improve wildfire resiliency
 - Coordinating volunteers that might be willing to monitor and call-in illegal dispersed camping / campfire activities
 - Applying for grants that could aid the USFS with a wildfire resiliency program

3. MOU between Mono Basin FSC and the Lee Vining and/or Mono City Fire Departments (LVFD & MCFD):

- MOU to be signed between the Mono Basin FSC and the LVFD.
- MOU with the MCFD pending.
- Mono Basin FSC will from now on try to have a representative attend the Lee Vining and Mono City Fire Commissioner's meetings to promote communication and continuity.

Attendees:

- Margaret Eissler
- Gary Nelson
- Nathan Taylor
- Holly Alpert
- John Warneke
- Lisa Cutting
- Annamaria Cheverria
- Glenda Bayle
- Tom Strazdins