

**MEMORANDUM**  
OFFICE OF THE  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
COUNTY OF PLACER

TO: Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Mike Boyle, Assistant County Executive Officer

DATE: February 26, 2008

SUBJECT: COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS – Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council –  
Approve the appointment of Manny Gonzales to Seat 3 representing Placer  
Sierra Fire Safe Council.

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**ACTION REQUESTED**

Approve the appointment of Manny Gonzales to Seat 3 representing Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council.

**BACKGROUND**

The purpose of the *Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council* is to evaluate the high fire threat to the Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council planning area including the City of Colfax and the unincorporated area surrounding it up to Secret Town, and the Placer Hills Fire District, covering the communities of Meadow Vista, Weimar, Applegate, Clipper Gap, and Eden Valley. Assuring the necessary firefighting resources and personnel are available to respond to wild land fires that threaten lives and property. To develop a Community Fire Safe Plan, reduce fuel levels; effectively communicate with area residents motivating them to take action to protect their homes and property prior to a *wildfire*. Restoring and rehabilitating landscapes and communities that are affected by wild land fire. Reducing the amount of hazardous fuels in the United States forests and rangelands. Assisting communities that have been or may be threatened, by wild land fire. The committee is comprised of seven members. The committee meets the third Thursday of each month at 6:00pm in the Colfax City Council Chambers in Colfax.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

None

**PLACER SIERRA FIRE SAFE COUNCIL**

**COMMITTEE INFORMATION**

**PURPOSE:** To evaluate the high fire threat to the PSFSC planning area including the City of Colfax and the unincorporated area surrounding it up to Secret Town, and the Placer Hills Fire District, covering the communities of Meadow Vista, Weimar, Applegate, Clipper Gap, and Eden Valley. Assuring the necessary firefighting resources and personnel are available to respond to wild land fires that threaten lives and property. To develop a Community Fire Safe Plan, reduce fuel levels, effectively communicate with area residents motivating them to take action to protect their homes and property prior to a wildfire. Restoring and rehabilitating landscapes and communities that are affected by wild land fire. Reducing the amount of hazardous fuels (dry brush and trees that have accumulated and increase the likelihood of unusually large fires) in the US's forests and rangelands. Providing assistance to communities that have been or may be threatened, by wild land fire. Committing to the Wild land Fire Leadership Council, an interagency team created to set and maintain high standards for wild land fire management on public lands.

**CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** No

**COMPOSITION:** Seven (7) core members. Members must reside in or own a business within the PSFSC planning area. Six (6) members to be appointed by the Board of Supervisors: one (1) appointment from the greater Colfax area outside the City of Colfax from the northern boundaries of Placer Hills Fire Protection District to Secret Town/ Alpine Meadows Subdivision, one (1) appointment from the Meadow Vista community (as defined by the Meadow Vista Municipal Advisory Council), two (2) appointments from the Placer Hills Fire Protection District area outside the community of Meadow Vista (Weimar, Applegate, Clipper Gap, or Eden Valley), two (2) appointments from the area above Secret Town to Emigrant Gap, including the communities of Alta and Dutch Flat. One (1) member to be appointed by the City of Colfax. Three (3) will be appointed for a two (2) year term (ending January 31, 2008), three (3) will be appointed for a three (3) year term (ending January 31, 2009). Future appointments will be for two (2) years.

**MEETINGS:** Meetings to be set at a later time after appointments are complete.

**COMPENSATION:** Members to serve without compensation.

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**CONTACT PERSON**

**CURRENT MEMBERS**

**SEAT # 1**  
John Fee  
REPRESENTS: Greater Colfax Area  
STATUS: Active  
TERM LENGTH: 2-year  
APPOINTED BY: BOS  
EXPIRES: 1/31/2010

**SEAT # 2**  
Tyrone Gorre  
REPRESENTS: Meadow Vista  
STATUS: Active  
TERM LENGTH: 1-year  
APPOINTED BY: BOS  
EXPIRES: 1/31/2009

**SEAT # 3**  
Vacant Seat  
REPRESENTS: Placer Hills Fire  
STATUS: Vacant  
TERM LENGTH: 2-years  
APPOINTED BY: BOS  
EXPIRES: 1/31/2010

**SEAT # 4**  
Vacant Seat  
REPRESENTS: Placer Hills Fire Protection District  
STATUS: Vacant  
TERM LENGTH: 1-year  
APPOINTED BY: BOS  
EXPIRES: 1/31/2009

**SEAT # 5**  
Karen Calvert  
REPRESENTS: Secret Town - Emigrant Gap  
STATUS: Active  
TERM LENGTH: 2-years  
APPOINTED BY: BOS  
EXPIRES: 1/31/2010

**SEAT # 6**  
Lisa Russell  
REPRESENTS: Secret Tn - Emi Gap  
STATUS: Active  
TERM LENGTH: 1 year  
APPOINTED BY: BOS  
EXPIRES: 1/31/2009

**SEAT # 7**  
Suzanne Roberts  
REPRESENTS: City of Colfax  
STATUS: Active  
TERM LENGTH:  
APPOINTED BY: City of Colfax

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PLACER COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP ON  
ADVISORY BOARD OR COMMISSION

THE FOLLOWING IS PUBLIC INFORMATION

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP ON: Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council  
(NAME OF BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE)

IF THIS BOARD/COMMISSION/COMMITTEE CALLS FOR A SPECIFIC TYPE MEMBER, PLEASE INDICATE THE  
POSITION FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING: Council Member

NAME: "Placer Sierra Fire Safe Council" - Manuel Gonzales

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT IN WHICH YOU RESIDE: District 5

TIMES YOU ARE AVAILABLE FOR MEETINGS: DAYS: Any TIMES: Any

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE/PROFESSION (A RESUME MAY BE ATTACHED): Current Equipment Manager  
for Royal Electric Company, Owner Operator business of Land Clearing for 2.5 years,  
Hewlett Packard Support Engineer for 18+ years.

ORGANIZATION/COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE: Experience with CFIP programs of Land Clearing  
Masterclass Process, Sub'd with Brush Busters Inc, Did Private Homeowner  
Clearing of Brush and land, Licensed Brush Clearing Contractor.

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE: Continuing Education of Management courses. CrossCom  
Educators once a month for Management Applications, U.S. Graduate with  
College Courses

APPLICATIONS WILL BE RETAINED FOR TWO YEARS

APPLICATION MUST BE FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
175 FULWEILER AVENUE, ROOM 101, AUBURN, CALIFORNIA 95603

DATE: 2-4-08 SIGNATURE: Manuel L. Gonzales

