Palomar Mountain Fire Safe Council Foundation
PMFSC Meeting Oct 24 Report for PMVFD Meeting Nov 7, 2026

Topic	Status
Financial status	FY25 **Monthly Financial report**: **Current Cash Balance** (10/23/26) Ending Total Cash: $37,602.34 Unrestricted $ 18,383.40 Restricted $19,218.94 Grant funding available: $19,218.94 -SDRFF $ $2932.21 -CCI $16,286.73
Insurance	PMFSC Board D&O insurance, accident insurance active
Fundraising/Donations	Late autumn/early winter community finding campaign planned
CAL Fire SD Cty Fire Protection District (SDCty Fire Authority)	- No representative/ No report
Fire Advisory Board	No report. Next meeting Nov 9
USFS	Hazardous fuels reduction contract (357 acres) is complete for the year. The contractor will return in early 2027 (weather dependent) to continue next year's contract acres (496 - 561 acres, depending on if optional unit is awarded). Out of all the contract work, 689 acres of this work is in the general area of Palomar Mountain. Currently working to complete RX prep work on our two top priority burn units on Palomar: Fry Creek Unit 8 (near Fry Creek Campground and the State Park boundary) and Palomar Fuelbreaks Aguanga Unit 2 (near Highpoint lookout), with the intent to get some burning done in one or both of these units before the holidays – depending on weather.
FSCSDC/RCD	- Next General FSCSDC bimonthly Meeting: Nov 5 @ Lakeside library - FIREWISE: Safer from Wildfire (2022): CA Dept Insurance regulation: requires insurance companies to recognize Firewise USA designated communities and provide discounts. FIREWISE team: Lead LG; MP, YV Team represents PMFSC, PMPO, PMFSC Zone differences: SD Cty vs. State/Firewise Zone 0: State/Firewsie & SDCty 0-5' Zone 1 State/Firewise 5-30' vs. SDCty 5-50' Zone 2: State /Firewise 30-100' vs. SDCty 50-100' No activity Printed survey: ~ 64 Birch Hill Walking Survey: To be completed Survey data to be analyzed. 3 yr Action Plan; pending survey analysis completion Capt Mike Cornette:Firewise advisor

PMVFD/PMCFA	CAL FIRE exercise shed moved 5 ft per due to obstructions; plan approval moving forward toward finalization
PMPO	Golden Pacific Powerline: J.Hammerly sumarized current status of broad ased regional opposition. *wesavcalifornia.org* (501c3) coalition well represented across entire affected region (Imperial Cty ,San Diego Cty,Temecula) including 20+ communities, towns, FFSCs, non-profits. Tribal participation anticipated soon. *wesaveca.org* ccoordinates all member group activities -Anticipate that Palomar will be SDG&E route as that that was their initial choice Primary issues for Palomar are extremely high wildfire risk, need for rapid aerial fire supression (water and fire retardant) and, given limited access/egress, evacuation risk due to route blockage -Multiple legal challenges already exist re land use, wildfire protection, water preservation & safety, environmental & wildlife protection all of which will be used to legally oppose the GPP route -Timeline: SDG&E will present choice of final route plan to CPUC in late November at which time a limited, 30 day public response period begins.Repsonse an be letters, etc. -To enable comment after the 30 day public response period, the PMPO, Temecula City & Fallbrook filing to be a “party to proceeding” which allows them to continue to question, crossexamine, challenge SDG&E at CCPUC/govt hearings throughout the review process. -$$$$$/Politics playing large roles in decision process. No Gov funded entity or personnel will take a position or speak about PPowerline (CAL ire, USFS, State Parks, etc) Both East Cty Congressional candidates actively oppose the GPP.

	PMFSC will send n opposition letter period during the 30 day public response period.
CERT	No report
CCPM	No report

Completed grants	1. SDG&E (2016) $2500 for community education projects/workshops 2. SDG&E (2017) $2500 for community education projects/workshops 3. SDG&E (2018) $2500 4. USFS/FSCSDC Palomar Fuel Reduction Grant (2017)Final report: Curbside chipping-65 homes; DSAP coast share prepwork-22 homes; dead trees removed-8. WUI workshop held 8/18. 5. NRP (Neighborhood Reinvestment Program) 2017-18: $10,000-All funds expended for Fire Gel home kits/2 diesel power washers. 6. SDG&E (2019) $2500 7. NRP (Neighborhood Reinvestment Program) 2018-19 $48,328 Dumpster weekends (8) 116 land/homeowners/40.2 tons. Chipping (9 days/half days): 42 landowners 8. SDG&E 2020: ($2500) Community education/fuel reduction. 9. NRP 2020: Neighborhood Reinvestment Program (NRP) 2020 $25,000) Grant backdated to July 1, 2020. Chipping 12 days; Dumpster 10 weekends; Barricade 1 Home Kit 10. SDRFF2021 ($2500) Dumpster, insurance, community education 11. CCI (2019-2022) $169,520 Emergency access/evacuation road improvement (BirchHill/Crestline) 12. SDRFF SAFE (2022) $12,000 Wildfire Safety community education, defensible space improvement 13. NRP (2022) $48,827 Defensible space fuel reduction, wildfire risk reduction, evacuation safety End: 09/30/23-Final Report submitted to SD Cty Supervisors 10/26/23. Activities: 12 chipping days @ $1500; 7 dumpster days @ $893; Fire Gel: $22,680; 14. Evacuation signage: $1877.82 14. SDRFF SAFE 2023 ($10,000) 6/1/23-4/15/24: Fuel reduction (dumpstersX3/chippingX4) General liability/D&O PMFSC Board insurance. 15. SDRFF SAFE 2024 ($12,000) 6/1/24-4/15/25 Fuel Reduction (Dumpsters, Chipping,) Board D&O/Liability insurance 16. SDRFF SAFE 2025 ($15,500) 6/1/25 – 4/15/26 6 Dumpsters, 4 on-site Chipping, $1500 Board D&O/Liability insurance
Current grants	**CCI Fire Prevention ($149,700) 2023-2027** **23 FP MVU 2088 5GG22153** "*Palomar Mountain Emergency Access and Emergency Evacuation Project*" Crestline/Birch Hill: Roadside brushclearing & critical infrastructure protection --Advance #4 Advance funding available- $16,286.73 -Remaining grant funding- $21,830.23 -Work in Progress Pedley Valley: completed Crestline/Birch Hill: ongoing dead tree removal -Mendenhall Valley Rd: Request permission -Quarterly report (July-Sept) Due Oct 31.

	SDRFF SAFE 2026 ($12,000) 6/1/256– 4/15/27 ($24,000 requested) Dumpster X2 @ $1100 Chipping X5 @ $1750 Insurance $1050 - Insurance: $1050 pd June -Dumpsters: #1 July 11 #2 Sept 12 -Chipping : #1 July11 #2 July #3 July 31 #4 August #5TBS **Additional Dumpsters:** May16 PMFSC June 5 PMPO#4 2025 August 8 PMFSC Sept 12 PMPO #1 2026 October 10 PMPO #2 2026 -Annual increase in Ramona Disposal dumpster fee **$1105 as of Oct 2026 (Previous $1066)** **Additional chipping:** -FSCSDC Community Chipping day TBS -PMPO will cover basic dumpster cost X4 in FY26 (July26-June27) -Annual increase in Ramona Disposal dumpster fee anticipated this fall. **Dead/dying tree removal** (RCD) 2024-2026: Birch Hill/Crestline DDT will be removed within 150' of structures (sheds, barns, etc in addition to all habitable structures. May extend out to 300'-) -Birch Hill/Crestline Progress: Plan to restart work next week. Will remove all currently mapped/marked trees and then valuate funding to continue mapping consented APNs,
Submitted Grants	None
Potential Grants	**NRP: Roadside CAL FIRE water storage** Site: **RC** land along Bailey Meadows Rd Labor: Volunteer for site preparation/installation Materials: Need cost estimate/budget for tanks, pipe and fittings for budget Permit: Not needed if complying with limited size/height restrictions SDCty: Contact- Candyce Yee Awaiting Budget for equipment/supplies needed for submission
Community Activities & Workshops	On-site chipping TBS
Administration	Board election: -Annual meeting Board election: RC and MP re-elected. No new members identified. Current officers reappointed: Pres YV, VPres RC, Secty CB, Treasurer GA
Next PMFSC Board Meeting: Nov 21 (Preceding PMPO) @ 9 AM in CCPM ZOOM/in-person	