



Town of Green Mountain Falls

Regular Fire Mitigation Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

November 29, 2021, at 6:30 p.m; **ZOOM MEETING ONLY**

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REGULAR MEETING:

TIME*		ITEM	DESIRED OUTCOME
6:30	1.	CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	
6:30	2.	ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, OR CORRECTION TO THE AGENDA	FMC Action Desired
6:30	3.	PERSONS PRESENT NOT ON THE AGENDA: 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER	Information Only
6:30	4.	CONSENT AGENDA a. Minutes from 10/25/2021	FMC Action Desired
6:35	5.	OLD BUSINESS a. Volunteer fuels mitigation program update – Byron Spinney from Hope Restored b. Risk Assessment Maps c. CUSP Grant Update – Fuels Mitigation d. Update – Citizen notification of matching funds	FMC Action Desired
7:05	6.	NEW BUSINESS a. Set 2022 goals and initiatives (11/2/21 Board Presentation)	FMC Action Desired
7:35	7.	REPORTS a. Notification and Evacuation b. Fuels Mitigation c. Grants d. Education	Information Only
8:00	8.	CORRESPONDENCE a. b.	Information Only
8:00	9.	ADJOURN	Information Only

*Please note: Times are approximate.

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MEETING MINUTES

Fire Mitigation Advisory Committee October 25, 2021 6:30 p.m. Zoom ONLY Meeting

Committee Members Present: David Douglas, Dan Battin, Rich Bowman

Committee Members Absent: Fred Thrash

GMF Staff: Nate Scott (Town Planner, FMAC Secretary)

FMAC Volunteer: Carolyn Bowers

Agenda Item	Motion/Discussion	M/S	DD	FT	DB	RB	
1. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	Meeting called to order at 6:40 pm						
2. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, & CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA	Chair Douglas suggests adding 2022 Budget Discussion as item 6a. Moved to approve, motion passed unanimously.	RB/DB	A		A	A	
3. PUBLIC COMMENT	No public comment.						
4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES- September 27, 2021	Moved to approve, motion passed unanimously.	RB/DB	A		A	A	
5. OLD BUSINESS							
a. New Town Website pages for FMAC	N. Scott gave overview of the newly created pages for FMAC on Town website. Committee clarified process by which Carolyn Bowers' articles should be published: send via BCC to committee, each member can then submit feedback to Carolyn directly for accuracy, etc. After feedback, Carolyn will send article to Town staff for review and posting. No formal committee action taken.						

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b. CUSP Grant – Fuels Mitigation	<p>Adrian Knight from CUSP not on meeting. Chair Douglas update via Adrian: crews doing this work are very limited, all CUSP work likely delayed into 2022. Chair Douglas will ask to roll over funds from 2021 into 2022.</p> <p>No formal committee action taken.</p>						
c. Update – FMAC volunteer work	<p>Chair Douglas summarized Town Manager Sprang's reply to question about volunteer work (specifically chainsaw use). Volunteers can't use Town equipment or work on Town property without the sawyer skill set.</p> <p>Chair Douglas came up with idea to create a volunteer group who could work on private property. Create a Town-specific group or work with one that already exists, like Tree Tigers or other. Member Battin will look into the situation and gather info for next meeting.</p> <p>Potentially, County could write a prescription for ROW areas and Town staff sawyer could work on these when time permits. There is a general prescription for ROW width that could be targeted. IGA would be needed for County agency to do work with Town.</p> <p>No formal committee action taken.</p>						
d. Update – Citizen notification of matching funds	<p>Carolyn Bowers waiting on verification from CUSP about grant funding process for private landowners. She will rework the article with the basic info and send it to the Town for review and publishing.</p> <p>No formal committee action taken.</p>						







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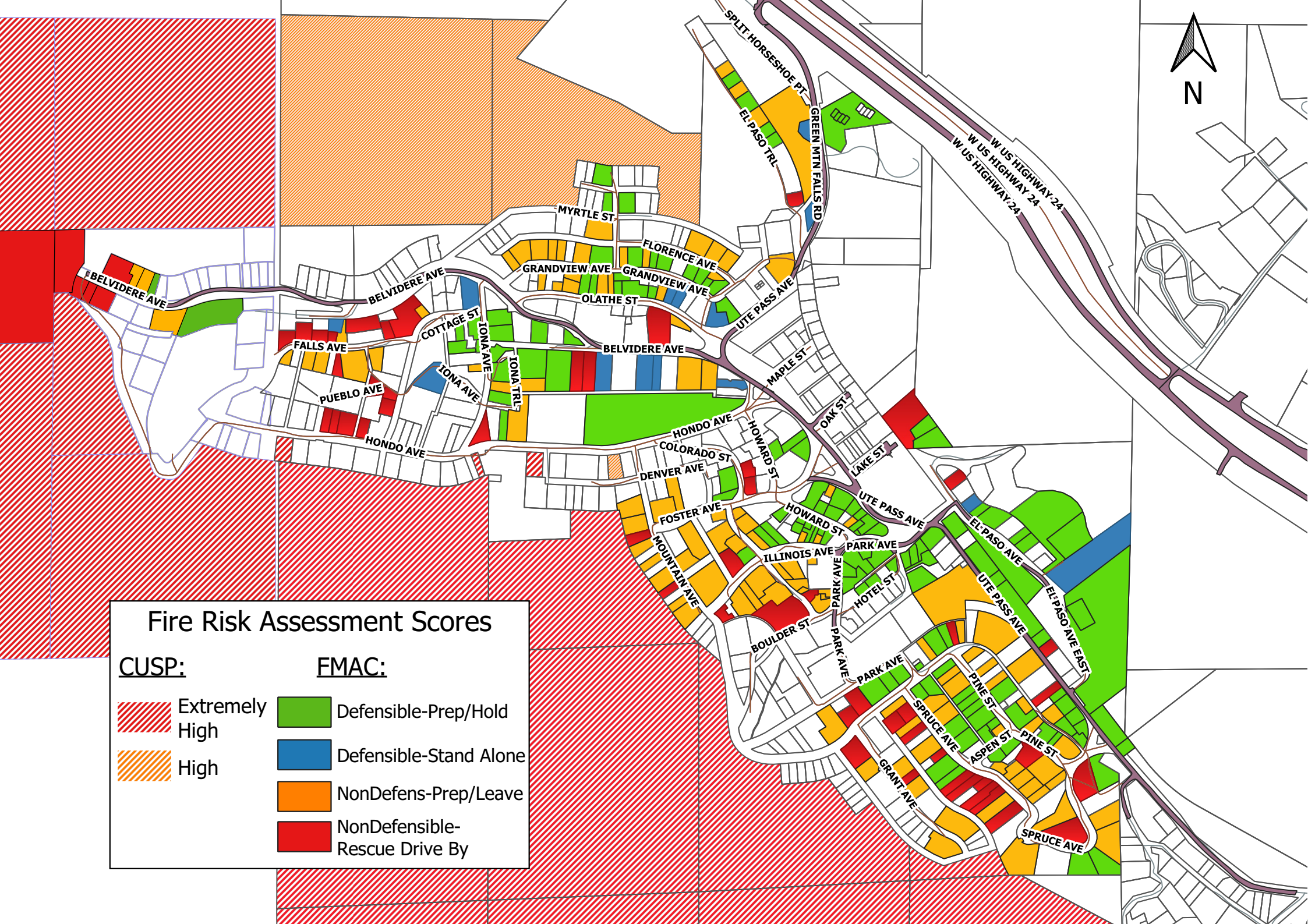
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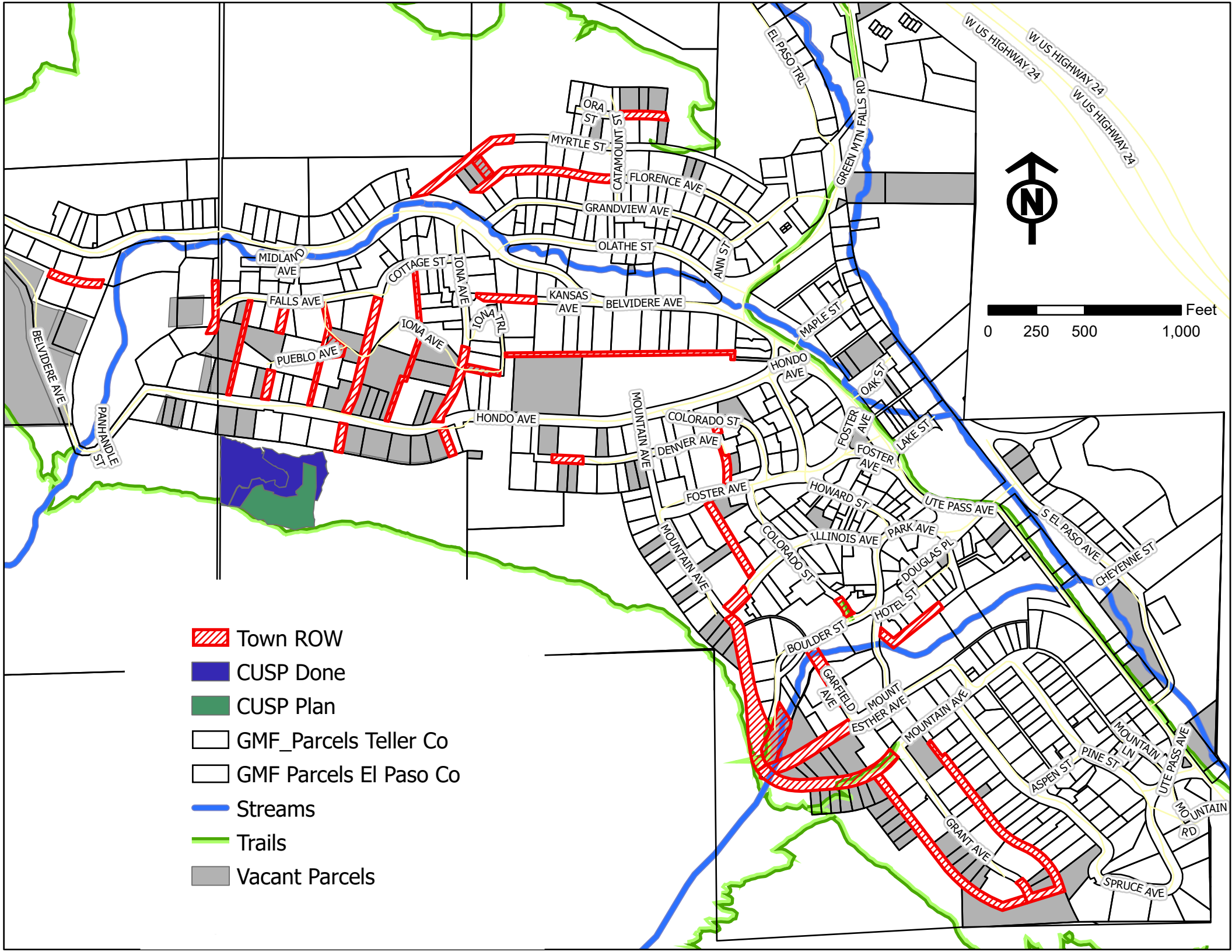
6. NEW BUSINESS							
a. 2022 Budget Discussion	Chair Douglas recommends asking for the following in the 2022 Town of GMF budget: \$40K for mitigation grant matching, \$40K for emergency sirens, \$5K for printed materials. Moved to approve, motion passed unanimously.	RB/DB	A		A	A	
7. REPORTS							
a. Notification and Evacuation	No report.						
b. Fuels Mitigation	No report.						
c. Grants	No report.						
d. Education	No report.						
8. CORRESPONDENCE							
a. Pikes Peak Regional Wildfire Mitigation Coordination Working Group	N. Scott asked if there is a plan for the FMAC to be involved in this? It seems to be very focused on land contiguous to military installations. Members agreed that it is not necessary – Member Battin will likely be involved and can pass on pertinent info to the FMAC as necessary.						
b. Town Emergency Operations Plan, 2016	Motion to advise the Town that the Emergency Operations Plan is out of date and needs to be addressed.	DB/RB	A		A	A	
	Chair Douglas reminded group of the vacancy on the FMAC – a 5 th member is needed.						
9. ADJOURN	Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM.						



Fire Risk Assessment Scores

<u>CUSP:</u>	<u>FMAC:</u>
 Extremely High	 Defensible-Prep/Hold
 High	 Defensible-Stand Alone
	 NonDefens-Prep/Leave
	 NonDefensible-Rescue Drive By







Green Mountain Falls, CO

Board of Trustees Meeting

November 2, 2021

**Fire Mitigation Advisory Committee
Report**

FMAC 2021 Accomplishments

- Completed the Notification and Evacuation Plan including maps with evacuation routes and written instructions to guide residents through the evacuation process. Recommended 2 emergency sirens for activation for any Emergency Notification of residents.
- Created and implemented a resident wildfire education program to provide resource information, funding assistance information, and hands on work shop training at Wallace Reserve. Program remains in development for further expansion.
- Initiated a risk assessment tool for guiding prioritization of future fuels mitigation projects and ROW clearing to improve access and egress routes.
- Coordinated with CUSP to determine high risk areas for utilization of grant funding for fuels mitigation.

CUSP Project Update

- 2020 Grant for fuels mitigation on town owned property was implemented and completed in 2021. Project completed 5 acres of fuels mitigation and fire break on western end of Thomas Trail on GMF land.
- Received notification of and funding for 53 acres of fuels mitigation work on town owned land, private property, and Wallace Reserve. This grant is a 3 year grant to be executed according to CUSP's ability to secure manpower to perform work. Initial target areas are Iona/Scott Avenue ROW and continuation of Thomas Trail fuels mitigation and fire break from west to east.
- Received notification of Federal grant award pending funding for 40 acres of GMF land. Will develop plans for use of funds when grant is funded.

Capital Request for 2022

Project	Amount	Explanation
CUSP Grants	\$40,000	Cost sharing required under grant application terms. Fuels mitigation and fire breaks
Notification System	\$40,000	Purchase and install 2 Sentry sirens as recommended to BOT
Printing	\$5,000	Provide printed materials to fulfill the Comprehensive Plan action to provide education resources to residents and visitors

2022 FMAC Objectives

- Establish a volunteer team of residents to provide private property owners access to assistance in fuels mitigation and diseased/dead tree removal.
- Continue to develop and implement public education regarding wildfire and steps to take to reduce fuels sources on private property.
- Identify supplement water storage needs and sites for storage to augment water supplies for fire suppression.
- Determine necessary road signage related to fire hazard and fire escape routes.
- Evaluate break away gates at end of Hondo and Belvidere relative to evacuation planning.
- Continue to identify priorities for fuels mitigation and coordinate with organizations such as CUSP to perform required work.