



## Eastern Sierra Council of Governments (ESCOG) Joint Powers Authority Agenda

### STAFF REPORT

<b>To:</b>	ESCOG Joint Powers Authority
<b>From:</b>	Kristen Pfeiler, ESCOG staff
<b>Subject:</b>	Wildfire Coordinator Report
<b>Meeting date:</b>	April 30, 2025
<b>Attachments:</b>	A) INF Interagency Liaison Workplan

Sustainable Recreation and Ecosystem Management Program:

Eastern Sierra Pace and Scale Accelerator:

- Staff is working to build capacity to support the Eastern Sierra Pace and Scale Accelerator and strengthen relationships with federal and NGO partners leveraging Inyo National Forest (INF) Liaison Funding. This includes:
  - Meeting monthly with INF to identify project priorities and gaps/solutions to implementation.
  - Developing a workplan for the INF Interagency Liaison scope of work.
  - Attending ESSRP meetings and familiarizing with the SRTI.
- Staff met with multiple agencies and local organizations to provide wildfire mitigation education, implement CWPP priorities, plan the formation of the Eastern Sierra Wildfire Alliance, and seek collaborative efficiencies/solutions across the region.
- Staff applied for the 2025 CALFIRE County Coordinator grant (\$151,500 available from May 2025-June 2026).
- Staff attended the Biomass Utilization in the Central Sierra Public Workshop virtually on 3/24/25.
- Staff attended the CA Wildfire Taskforce Spring Regional Meeting virtually on 4/27/25.
- Staff attended the Wildfire Resiliency Action Finance Team meeting virtually on 4/17/25.

California Jobs First Initiative:

- Staff attended industry sector workgroup meetings for Recreation and Natural and Working Lands and is familiarizing with the associated Strategic Plan.