

## Heavy Lifter's Meeting

July 27, 2021

Thanks to those in attendance: Phil Mayor, Roy Wilkinson, Bruce Short, Tim Pargee, Chris Hinds and Steve Campbell.

The meeting concentrated on three areas:

1. J-9 to J-8 Easement. We will mow the escape road ASAP using Chris and Tim's equipment. Steve will notify all affected residents beforehand. After mowing, the road work needed can be accurately assessed in conjunction with the Road Committee. A formal request will be prepared for the CMR Board, and we will apply for grants/help from Jim Spratlen and James Dietrich with Montezuma County. It is anticipated that there will be a need for tractors and back hoes, possibly a tube, and gravel and or road base. We will explore large rocks from Louis Horton to place around the entry and exit gates. Finally, we will place reflectors where needed. We will work with the CMR Road Committee whenever possible.
2. We discussed ongoing mitigation and slash removal. Bruce informed us of pressure from insurance companies to not insure companies to conduct "controlled" burns. Individual property owners can still burn when the fire ban is lifted. We need to stress safe burning practices as found on the CMR website. We discussed the various situations for chipping slash rather than burning. It was decided to encourage owners to gather their slash close to their road and then the Mitigation Committee crew will schedule a time when we can bring either CMR's chipper or the industrial strength chipper we rented in May to their property. The Committee will coordinate these efforts so we can help as many CMR residents as possible on a weekend. The cost for renting the industrial chipper is \$509, plus fuel, and this cost will be divided among the residents utilizing the chipper(s).  
  
An in-depth education piece needs to be prepared first. Bruce and Steve will do this. It was also noted that WAP has no money to contribute to this chipping.
3. Finally, we discussed the trees along the Hill on Road 35. The Mitigation Committee will work closely with the Road Committee to cut down and move the trees to a spot along K-1 and/or J-8 where trees will be limbed, and the large logs kept for the Native Americans to use.

Safety and minimizing disruption to traffic on Road 35 will be paramount. Another education piece and announcement will be prepared before this work is done. Tim Pargee and Chris Hinds will oversee this operation, again stressing safety for those doing the work and all CMR residents.

### Priorities will be

1. Trees on Road 35
2. Mow J.9 – J.8 easement
3. Proposal for J.9 – J.8 easement
4. Set up chipping program on property owners' property