

## 2024 Current Fiscal Year Report: Lassen County Resource Advisory Committee

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**1. Department or Agency**

Department of Agriculture

**2. Fiscal Year**

2024

**3. Committee or Subcommittee**

Lassen County Resource Advisory  
Committee

**3b. GSA**

**Committee No.**

70495

**4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?** **5. Current Charter** **6. Expected Renewal Date** **7. Expected Term Date**

No 12/19/2023 12/19/2025

**8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?**

No

**8b. Specific Termination Authority**

**8c. Actual Term Date**

**9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year**

Continue

**10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?**

Not Applicable

**10b. Legislation Pending?**

Not Applicable

**11. Establishment Authority** Statutory (Congress Created)

**12. Specific Establishment Authority**

SRS and Community  
Self-Determination Act as  
reauthorized in PL 110-343,  
PL 112-141 and as amended  
Agricultural Improvement Act  
of 2018 PL. 115-334

**13. Effective Date** **14. Committee Type** **14c. Presidential?**

10/03/2008 Continuing No

**15. Description of Committee** Other Committee

**16a. Total Number of Reports**

No Reports for  
this Fiscal Year

**17a. Open** **17b. Closed** **17c. Partially Closed** **Other Activities** **17d. Total**

**Meetings and Dates**

No Meetings

	<b>Current FY</b>	<b>Next FY</b>
<b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>18d. Total</b>	\$0.00	\$0.00
<b>19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)</b>	0.00	0.00

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The purpose of a Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act resource advisory committee is to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service consistent with Division C, Title VI of Public Law 110-343. The Act describes the duties of the committees as follows: to review projects proposed by counties and other interested parties; to recommend projects and funding; to provide early and continuous coordination with Forest Service

officials; to provide frequent opportunities for citizens, organizations, tribes, land management agencies and other interested parties to participate openly and meaningfully, beginning in the early stages of project development; to monitor projects approved under the Act; to advise the designated federal official on the progress of monitoring; and to make recommendations for any appropriate changes or adjustments to projects being monitored.

**20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?**

The committee is comprised of 15 members, five in each of three categories prescribed in the Act. Within each category, the Act identifies specific interests members are to represent. Committees are formed in geographic areas to ensure each national forest located within a participating county or counties has access to a resource advisory committee. The Act requires members to be residents of the state or states within which the committee has jurisdiction.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

The committee generally will meet 2-4 times per year or as needed to perform its duties.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

The RAC is necessary to improve collaborative relationships among the people that use and care for the National Forests and to provide advice and recommendations to the Forest Service concerning projects and funding consistent with Title II of the Act.

**20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or**

## partially closed committee meetings?

All meetings are open to the public.

## 21. Remarks

This committee did not meet in FY23 and has been inactive since FY21.

## Designated Federal Officer

Debra Bumpus Forest Supervisor

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Buckman, Bill	05/10/2021	05/10/2025	Fall River RCD	Representative Member
Dalby, Catilin	05/10/2021	05/10/2025	Fire Safe Council	Representative Member
Davie, Bruce	05/10/2021	05/10/2025	Personal	Representative Member
Dirden, Catherine	05/10/2021	05/10/2025	Affected Public at Large	Representative Member
Fulder, Peggy	05/10/2021	05/10/2025	Lake Almanor Watershed Group	Representative Member
Gunderson, Patricia	05/10/2021	05/10/2025	Lassen County Office of Education	Representative Member
Hilburn, Ryan	11/14/2016	05/10/2024	WM Beaty and Associates	Representative Member
Jambois, Wayne	05/10/2021	05/10/2025	Retired	Representative Member
Keesey, Tim	05/10/2021	11/10/2025	Personal	Representative Member
Milligan, Sylvia	05/10/2021	05/10/2025	Retired	Representative Member
Norton, Elizabeth	05/10/2021	05/10/2025	non-profit	Representative Member
Plopper, Charles	05/10/2021	05/10/2025	Retired	Representative Member
Puterbaugh, Patricia	05/10/2021	05/10/2025	Enviromental Group	Representative Member
Ross, Bruce	05/10/2021	05/10/2025	Office of Assemblyman Brian Dahle	Representative Member
Tippen, Laurie	05/10/2021	05/10/2025	Consulting	Representative Member

**Number of Committee Members Listed: 15**

## Narrative Description

By recommending projects that maintain and improve the health of

national forest ecosystems and improve cooperative relationships among the people who use and care for the national forests, the Secure Rural Schools resource advisory committees support the Forest Service mission to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the Nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. The committees specifically support Forest Service strategic goals to 1. Restore, sustain, and enhance the national forests; and 2. Provide and sustain benefits to the American people.

**What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?**

Checked if  
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Outcome Comments**

A new RAC Coordinator and DFO have been assigned to re-establish RAC activity in FY24.

**What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>

Over \$10,000,000  
Cost Savings Other

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### **Cost Savings Comments**

Not Applicable

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?**

54

### **Number of Recommendations Comments**

Forty-four recommendations have been fully implemented and 10 recommendations have been partially implemented. This committee did not meet in FY23. No changes to recommendations implemented.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

81%

### **% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

Forty-four recommendations have been fully implemented. This committee did not meet in FY23. No changes to recommendations implemented.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

19%

### **% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

Ten recommendations have been partially implemented. This committee did not meet in FY23. No changes to recommendations implemented.

**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

### **Agency Feedback Comments**

Ten recommendations have been partially implemented and 44 recommendations have been fully implemented. The Forest Service (FS) Designated Federal Official has recently been reassigned and will regularly report to the committee on whether recommended

projects proposals are or are not approved by the FS. The DFO will also report on actions taken to implement approved projects. This may take the form of verbal reports and presentations at committee meetings, committee field trips and monitoring activities.

**What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?**

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Action Comments**

A new RAC Coordinator and DFO have been assigned to re-establish RAC activity in FY24.

**Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?**

No

**Grant Review Comments**

**How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?**

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Access Comments**