

## Appendix A: CWPP Meetings

**July 8, 2013** - A preliminary meeting of the core plan developers was held to introduce Fire Adapted Communities, the CWPP process and to discuss the future direction. The meeting took place in the offices of the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). Attending were the County Emergency Management Director and County Fire Coordinator, the County Planner, Florida Forest Service (FFS) Forest Area Supervisor (FAS) for Bradford County and the FFS Suwannee Forestry Center Wildfire Mitigation Specialist.

After the FAS gave a recap of major wildfires which have impacted Bradford County, the EM Director, recounted the CWPP and Firewise programs as they were developed in the Lakewood Firewise Community and the Lake Region. Wildfire Mitigation Specialist then presented an overview of the CWPP process and related that the CWPP, as an extension of the County Local Mitigation Strategy, is intended to provide a more focused view of Wildfire Hazard Mitigation within the county as a whole. The presentations and subsequent discussions resulted in strong support of CWPP development. This was a successful meeting. The core committee will move forward with CWPP development. A CWPP draft template was left with the County Planner.

**Attendees:** Doc Bloodworth (FFS), Brian Johns (BCEM), William Warren (FAS) and Michael Heeder (BCEM).

**July 29, 2013** - Fire Council Meeting – FFS Wildfire Mitigation Specialist gave a presentation of the common goals of Fire Adapted Communities, CWPPs and the community outreach elements of Firewise Communities USA and the IAFC Ready Set Go programs. Once again, local experiences with both the Lake Region CWPP and the Lakewood Firewise Community were discussed. Pointed out also was that, through a county-wide CWPP, many cross-cutting objectives can be achieved for all of Bradford County's wildfire hazard mitigation programs. From this point, continued communications was urged between the FFS and the County EOC staff.

**Attendees:** Doc Bloodworth (FFS), Brian Johns (BCEM), Benjamin Bennett (BCEM), Chip Ware (Bradford County Fire Marshall), Tom Rowe (City of Starke Fire Rescue Chief), Michael Heeder (BCEM) and all Bradford County Volunteer Fire Chiefs.

**NOTE:** In the interim, the County Planner, EOC staff and the FFS Wildfire Mitigation Specialist began the process of mining specific Bradford County information and data from existing community profile documents, the FFS Fire Management Information System and the Local Mitigation Strategy. With these results and continual telephone and e mail exchanges, the County Planner, EOC staff and the FFS Wildfire Mitigation Specialist were able to proceed and give enough substance to the draft template to make it identifiable with Bradford County. (This type communications has continued throughout the entire process and has, at each review point, given the working-group a progressive and understandable document to review.)

**October 8 and October 28, 2013** – Following numerous telephone and e mail communications, the EOC Director and County Fire Coordinator, EOC staff and the FFS Wildfire Mitigation Specialist had several sit-down meetings. It was agreed that much of the work ahead is expected to entail numerous details and the digesting of data provided by the new Southern Wildfire Risk Assessment Portal web site and a Risk Summary Report for Bradford County. Many new maps will need to be viewed, understood, analyzed and tailored for inclusion into either the body of the CWPP or as Appendices if needed.