



**Date:** February 6, 2025  
**To:** LOCSD Board of Directors  
**From:** Richard Hubbard, Director  
**Subject:** **Agenda Item 5J – 02/06/2025 Board Meeting**  
Report of the Fire Safe Council meeting on January 15, 2025

The following is a summary of the highlights of the Fire Safe Council Meeting on January 15th:

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John Owens

**Battalion Chief**

Paul Provence

There were four presentations:

- Chief Garret provided updates on Cal Fire's activities both locally and statewide given the extended fire season.
- Stacy Gorsgaden, a local insurance agent, provided information on the state of the insurance industry in California as it relates to homeowner's fire insurance and the practice of cancelling policies in certain areas.
- The Cal Poly Wildland/Urban Interface (WUI) Fire Institute provided a presentation on the WUI's collaboration facility and the faculty and student involvement. The presenters talked about the research and monitoring project being undertaken and the student's "learn by doing" programs.
- An update was provided on the "Fireshed Project"; this project breaks the county into fire areas that are considered in common geographic areas that will be analyzed for hazard assessments and risk mitigation preparedness.

The meeting concluded with a roundtable of Focus Groups and other stakeholders' reports.

The Los Osos Focus Group report was provided by Jose Torres, the current chair of the group.

The meeting started at 9:00 and ended at about 11:30.

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