

**EPPOC Draft Minutes**  
**Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 9:30-11:50am**

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- This month we dedicated the entirety of the EPPOC meeting to a discussion of the recent storm. Normally at EPPOC we have a speaker who presents for ten or twenty minutes and answers questions. Then we have monthly reports from the entities and folks listed on the next page. They did not provide reports this month so we could allot the entire meeting to the storm. Our meeting is scheduled from 9:30 to 11:30 am but we normally finish before 11:30. For this month we wanted to make sure that everyone was able to speak and ask questions, so the meeting finished at 11:50 am. We are glad EPPOC could provide this forum about this important topic. In April we shall return to our normal format. Our speaker will be from the local Red Cross organization. Please send me an email if you are interested in attending in the future.

This month we had presentations by Sheriff Rachelle Whiting; Chief Mike Johnson; Supervisor Martin Huberty; and Public Works Director Micah Martin, Road Superintendent Scott Anderson, and Services Specialist Monica Remus.

- Sheriff's presentation with questions: 0:01:00 to 0:47:24
- The Supervisor then made comments starting at 0:47:30 about his plans going forward and then introduced Public Works who spoke and answered questions to 1:42:03.
- The Fire Chief then presented and answered questions from 1:42:24 to 1:53:14
- The remainder of the meeting from 1:53:30 to 2:21:39 included follow-up observations, comments, questions, and answers.

Sincerely,  
Steve Lauterbach, EPPOC Secretary

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- Monthly Reports: (no reports this month as mentioned above)
  - EPPOC Treasurer's Report – Laura Baughman --
  - EPPOC Chairperson's Report – Eric Davis –.
  - District 3 Board of Supervisors – Martin Huberty –
  - Calaveras County Public Works – Monica Remus
  - Ebbetts Pass Fire District – Chief Mike Johnson –
  - CHP–Resident Deputy Joshua Wilkenson, Commander Tim McCollister
  - Sheriff's Department – Sheriff Whiting –
  - CalFire – Dennis Lange
  - Calaveras Office of Emergency Services –
  - CCWD –Kelly Gerkenmeyer, Jeffrey Robertson
  - Calaveras Public Health – Evita Olson
  - CalWaste – Jillian Goss
  - California Big Trees State Park – Heather Reith –
  - Calaveras Big Trees Association (CBTA) – Paul Prescott, Debbie McGee –
  - Great Arnold Business Association – Karen Strand
  - Arnold Rim Trail Association (ARTA)– Steve Lauterbach

EPPOC Zoom Meeting (this Zoom login does not change from month to month)

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We meet on the first Wednesday of each month except January and July from 9:30-11:30am. The Hwy 4 citizenry are welcomed and encouraged to attend.