What's Different in the 1/5/2015 versus the 2012 Alameda Community Wildfire Protection Plan?

Update in Executive Summary, Introduction, Scope and Purpose
• 2014-15 Update planning process: reviewed, updated and refined. (Exec Sum + Intro)
• Use of pre-fire work in 2014 fire suppression. (Intro)
• Plan’s role in coordinating efforts and providing progress update of activities throughout county. (Intro + Scope)

Updates in Section 1: Alameda County Information
• Section 1.1 County Overview: Change in fire protection agencies (no Emeryville Fire) (p1.7)
• Section 1.2 Update of planning process and participating stakeholders. Expanded list of stakeholders. Changes since 2012 in Sunol, Castro Valley, Oakland FSC, WPAD, PG&E funding. (pp1.9-1.10)

Updates in Section 2: Fire Hazard and Risk in the WUI
• Section 2.1:
  o 2013-2014 fire season that never ended and “exceptional drought” declaration. (p2.1)
  o Communities at risk – added statement about local and state identification of additional communities such as Sunol. (p2.4)
• Section 2.2.3: Current economic forces, coordinated fire agency systems (p2.7)
• Section 2.4: Strategies for reducing risk
  o Oil tank cars as potential source of ignitions (p2.9)
  o Information on wildfire characteristics of plant materials (p2.10)
  o Prohibit retail sale of French Broom (p2.10)
  o Integrate wildfire safety into mitigation plantings requirements, (p2.12)
  o Urban lumber from large diameter trees as a forest product / local economy (p2.12)

Section 3: Recommended Action Plan
• Section 3.1: Continued use of selection criteria. (p3.1)
• Section 3.2: Refine focus to issue coalitions. Topics: invasive plants, planning new developments, connectivity. (p3.2)
  o Priority Action : Revised to create an effective awareness campaign. (p3.2)
  o Priority Action: Regionally Specific Educational Materials for Homeowner. Plant specific information; PG&E program. Dead and dying trees. School age appropriate materials. (p3.3)
    ▪ New materials – Homeowner’s Guide, Quantifying Fuels, websites & campaigns
    ▪ Future activities – DFSC Fire Safe Homes 1-2-3
• Section 3.3: Evacuation planning – Add CAL FIRE and DFSC as lead. Develop pre-attack plans that can be use as templates for other areas. Little change since 2012. Physical access/obstructions. Community preparedness. (p3.5)
Section 4: Prioritizing fuel reduction treatments

- Section 4.2: Fuel Reduction Treatments – Geographically Based Projects
  - Progress since 2012, continued commitment and new projects. Public agencies, PG&E, Sunol. New issue code applicability on parcels with no structures (pp4.2-4.3)
- Section 4.4: Environmental Review and Permitting: FEMA NEPA review still on-going. (p4.4)
- Section 4.5: Fuel Reduction Treatments – Related Priorities
  - New funding sources through CAL FIRE. Effects of exceptional drought. (p4.9)
  - Priority Action: Monitoring Forest Health. Potential partners (p4.9)
  - Priority Action: Volunteer Projects on Public Lands. Additional implementation actions related to scaling projects and communicating volunteer opportunities, as well as potential partners and example projects. (p4.10)

Section 5: Treatment of Structural Ignitability

- Section 5.3 Retrofitting an Existing Structure for Survivability: no progress; Fire Safe Homes 1-2-3 funding. (p.5.5)
  - Priority Action: Education and Training on Structure Retrofit Confirmation of priority. (p5.5)
  - Priority Action: Access and Egress Improvements by Reducing Road Restrictions. Confirmation of priority. (p5.5)

Section 6: Sustaining the Plan

- Section 6.1 Updates of the Action Plan: Confirm roles; new stakeholder commitments (p6.1)

Signature Page + Support letter – update resolution and letters