Taos Community Resilience Coalition Organizational Framework (Councils)

Coalition Overview

The **Taos Community Resilience Coalition** is a collaborative platform dedicated to the long-term health, vitality, and resilience of our community and bioregion. Like a living **mycelial network**, the Coalition connects people, organizations, and institutions to **share knowledge**, **coordinate action**, **and foster cultural and ecological harmony**.

At its core, the Coalition serves as a **central hub of reliable information**—tracking and sharing the "vitals" of our community across key areas like water, food sovereignty, affordable and sustainable housing, waste management, fire preparedness, clean energy, economic vitality, equity, community well-being and bioregional ecosystem health.

By making this information accessible and actionable, the Coalition empowers an **informed and engaged citizenry** to participate meaningfully in the visioning, planning, and co-creation of our shared future. It strengthens communication and collaboration between public agencies, local government, nonprofits, schools, businesses, and residents—laying the foundation for a more connected, resilient, and regenerative Taos.

Coalition Council Structure & Monthly Communications Plan

Monthly Coalition Council Meeting

The Coalition Council convenes once per month, bringing together one representative from each key sector to provide updates on the "community vitals" for their area of focus. These sectors may include (but are not limited to):

Water, Food Sovereignty, Housing, Energy, Waste, Economic Vitality, Governance, Ecosystem Health, Community Health & Wellness, Education, and Cultural Harmony.

- Each representative will share insights, updates, trends, and challenges from their sector.
- Meetings will be open to the public, live-streamed, and recorded for transparency and accessibility.
- These gatherings will support cross-sector collaboration and alignment around a shared long-term vision.

Sector Council Meetings

Each sector will hold its own **monthly council meeting**, composed of **3 to 12 respected**, **nominated council members** representing a diversity of perspectives, experience, and expertise.

- These Sector Councils will focus on monitoring key indicators, co-developing strategies, and recommending actions for the Coalition Council to review.
- Meetings will be **public**, **inclusive**, **and transparent**, with room for community participation and observation.
- Each council will develop its own rhythm and tools to support informed, regenerative decision-making.

Monthly Community Update

A **concise**, **visually engaging summary** of key updates, decisions, and insights from the monthly council meetings will be compiled and sent out via email to all community members and stakeholders.

- This update will include:
 - Sector highlights & data
 - Community announcements
 - Upcoming events
 - Opportunities for public participation
- The goal is to create a **shared awareness and sense of civic momentum** rooted in collaboration, care, and transparency.

See this link for more information and **visual presentations** of the **coalition**:

LINK

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