



El Dorado County Fire Protection District

🔥 Fire Chief's Monthly Report 🔥

📅 February 20, 2025

🏠 City of Placerville

◆ Hydrant Inspections Underway

Partnering with the City's Public Works Department, we are proactively inspecting all fire hydrants within city limits. This initiative responds to community concerns following recent Los Angeles-area wildfires, ensuring the city's water system is ready for emergencies.

◆ Annual Wildfire Preparedness Event

Planning is underway for the Annual Wildfire Preparedness Event hosted by the Placerville Fire Safe Council, scheduled for April. The event will focus on community education and preparedness.

◆ Wildfire Presentation Attendance

District staff attended the Wildfire Preparedness Presentation hosted by the Resource Conservation District (RCD), strengthening our regional fire readiness collaboration.

◆ Economic Advisory Committee Discussion

District representatives participated in the City of Placerville's Economic Advisory Committee meeting to provide input on real estate inspection requirements, specifically related to mobile home park compliance.

🤝 Joint Powers Authority (JPA)

◆ Contract Review & Workshop

The draft JPA contract was presented in a workshop on February 26, generating constructive feedback and clarifications. The Ad-Hoc Committee has engaged with County officials, and the draft is now under County Counsel review.

◆ JPA Leadership Update

Cristy Jorgensen continues her role as Executive Director of the JPA following her January appointment.

District Updates

◆ **Training Highlights**

February featured an intensive training schedule including:

- Fire Control 3
- Live fire drills
- Auto extrication exercises
- 8-month probationary firefighter evaluations

Crews are also conducting hands-on “hot drills” with the new Truck 28 at Station 49, focusing on ground ladder operations.

◆ **SCBA Update**

We are awaiting delivery of new SCBAs. Though the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) program has not been officially paused or canceled, concerns remain due to recent federal-level closures of the National Fire Academy and Learning Resource Center.

◆ **Deputy Chief Role Development**

A new Deputy Chief job description is in development. The draft will be reviewed by the Planning Group, Working Group, and presented to the Boards for approval.

◆ **Station 19 Update**

Crews remain temporarily relocated to Station 23 while repairs continue at Station 19.

◆ **Tourism Call Reimbursement**

The District has submitted a reimbursement request to El Dorado County for \$92,000 related to tourism incident responses.

◆ **Upcoming Captains' Meetings**

Captains' meetings for all shifts are scheduled throughout March to promote leadership alignment and operational consistency.

Thank you for your continued commitment to serving our community! 🙌🔥