



El Dorado County Fire Protection District

🔥 Fire Chief's Report 🔥

📅 September 21, 2023

🏠 City of Placerville

- District staff and consultants held two meetings with City officials on the **Community Facilities District (CFD)** proposal:
 - On **August 24**, District staff and consultants met with City staff to review the CFD process.
 - Additional follow-up included a meeting with the **City Manager, Mayor, and Vice-Mayor**.
 - Consultants are scheduled to present the CFD concept to the **City Council on September 26**.
 - The **Placerville Fire Safe Council (FSC)** has successfully completed the process to designate **all Placerville FSC areas as FireWise**. This is a major achievement and may assist residents with ongoing **insurance challenges**.
 - Collaboration continues with City staff regarding **potential land acquisition** for the **Public Safety Building (PSB)**.
 - A **check presentation with Senator Alvarado-Gil** is still being scheduled for a future date.
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🤝 JPA (Joint Powers Authority)

- A **job offer was extended to Bill Sugiyama** for the **Executive Director** position. He has completed all pre-employment requirements and is currently transitioning with outgoing Director **Cristy Jorgenson**.
 - District staff is finalizing the **RFP for Medic 89**:
 - Proposals are due by **September 29**.
 - Presentations to the selection panel will take place on **October 5**.
 - The **ECF presentation team** includes **Director Edmiston, Chief Dutch, and Paramedics Gates and Johnston**.
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🚒 District Information

- The **Station 17 Open House** on **August 26** was a great success, with strong community attendance and enthusiastic public feedback.
 - Many attendees expressed appreciation for the improved station facilities.
 - **Captain Poganski** led outreach via **social media**, which received positive engagement and responses.

- District members participated in the **Make-A-Wish “Wish Reveal”** on **September 9** in Sacramento.
 - Preparations are underway for the **October 3rd event** honoring **Magnum**, the wish recipient.
 - The day will include:
 - A kickoff at **Station 28**,
 - A visit to the **Bell Tower** in Placerville to meet with the **Mayor and City staff**,
 - A simulated fire and rescue at **Station 23 training grounds**, and
 - Lunch for Magnum and his family at **Station 28**.
- The **Split Battalion model** is now operational.
 - Initial feedback from Duty Chiefs and crews has been **very positive**, with improved communication and more consistent interaction between chiefs and assigned personnel.
- Equipment updates:
 - **Thermal Imaging Cameras (TICs)** funded by donation have been received and distributed.
 - All **first-out engines** now have an engineer-assigned TIC.
 - **Exercise bicycles** have been assembled and distributed to **all staffed stations**.
- A **joint promotional ceremony** with **Diamond Springs Fire** was held on **September 13**:
 - **Chief Steve Adams (ECF)** is now assigned to **B48 A-Shift**.
 - **Chief Jack Daniels (DSFPD)** is assigned to **B48 C-Shift**.
- The District is accepting **letters of interest** from current **PAOs** wishing to transition to the **Firefighter/Paramedic** role.
 - Three PAOs will be selected for internal training as part of the **bridge program**.
- The **State-required audit** for **CSDA COVID funds** has been **completed**, with all documentation submitted.
- On **September 18**, **Chief Gallagher, Chief Daniels, Engines 28 and 49**, and I attended the **Sleepy Hollow HOA meeting**:
 - **Rescue Fire Department** also presented information regarding their services and annexation process.
- A meeting is scheduled with **LAFCO on September 28** to review and discuss the **draft feasibility study** and next steps.