




## Fire Chief's Report

 November 16, 2023

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### City of Placerville

- Staff continues to work with City officials on **potential land acquisition** for the **Public Safety Building (PSB)**. Required **state funding paperwork** has been completed and submitted.
  - A **check presentation with Senator Alvarado-Gil** is scheduled for **Sunday, December 3rd at 11:00 AM at Station 25**.
  - Staff is collaborating with the **City and a private developer** on several ongoing **development projects**.
  - Planning is underway for the **annual Fire Safety Event in March 2024**, hosted by the **City of Placerville and Placerville Fire Safe Council (FSC)**. **El Dorado County Fire** is proud to be one of the **sponsoring agencies**.
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### JPA (Joint Powers Authority)

- The **JPA Board** was presented with the **draft feasibility study**, prepared by **Fitch & Associates**, which outlines potential operational improvements and future planning.
  - The **JPA Director** has filled the **Administrative Assistant position**. Discussions are still ongoing regarding the addition of an **Operations Manager** role.
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### District Information

- The **annual Placerville Christmas Parade** is scheduled for **December 3rd**.
  - **ECF** will be represented by the **Honor Guard** and **multiple engines**.
  - **Senator Alvarado-Gil** and members of her staff will also ride aboard one of our engines during the parade.
- The District donated a "**Dinner at a Firehouse**" experience as an **auction item** for the **Soroptimist International Group**, benefiting victims of human trafficking.
  - **Station 28-C** will host the dinner event.
- **Cal Fire** generously donated a number of **chainsaws** to support our operations.
  - **12 saws** were distributed to **ECF**, and **3** to **Diamond Springs Fire**.
  - These will enhance both our **engine equipment** and **training center** capabilities.
  - Our thanks to **Cal Fire** for their continued partnership and support!

- **Staffing Update:**
  - **Two Firefighter/Paramedics** and **two PAOs** will begin on **November 27th**, bringing the District to **full staffing levels**.
- The **PAO Bridge Program** continues to progress successfully.
  - Line personnel are dedicating significant time and effort to training and supporting our PAO members transitioning to firefighter roles.
- The District is actively engaged with **Cameron Park CSD**, providing **guidance and information** as they assess future fire service needs for their community.
- Staff is currently **editing and reviewing draft Board Policies** received from **Diamond Springs Fire**, with the goal of aligning administrative practices.
- **Captains' Meetings** for all shifts are being scheduled for **December**, led by **Chief Gallagher and myself**, to maintain open communication and address operational matters.
- **Annual Station Bidding** was completed on **November 6th**. Personnel transitions will take place in **January 2024**.