



# Fire Chiefs Report

November 18, 2021 📅

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## JPA Updates ⚖️

- The Board of Supervisors reviewed three items brought by the CAO's office:
    - Request for an RFP to review and assess EMS system in the County – East & West Slope 🚑
    - Request an RFP for ambulance services on the West Slope 🚑
    - Request to negotiate a two-year extension with the West Slope JPA to allow time to complete RFP process ⏳
  - Good dialogue occurred, and the Board approved the requests with additional language about a “possible” RFP for West Slope ambulance services. ✔️
  - JPA is beginning a strategic planning process; first meeting scheduled for December 2nd (location TBD). 📅
  - Reviewing JPA/District loaned labor costs related to strike teams and open positions. 📁
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## American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) 💰

- County received ~\$118 million in requests; over \$10 million from fire agencies.
  - Discussions suggest fire agencies may receive \$500,000 total, with potential for additional funding later.
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## Hiring Update 🚒 🚒

- New firefighter joining Monday from Placer Hills Fire, assigned to Station 17 B. 🚒
  - Chief Dutch and panels completed firefighter interviews week of Nov 8; Chief interviews scheduled for Nov 29. One job offer already made to firefighter-paramedic.
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## City of Placerville 🏘️

- Continuing work with City staff; attending meetings and City Council. 🤝

- Met with City staff, development firm, and State personnel about potential apartment complex development in Placerville. 🏢
- Dewberry Consulting progressing on Public Safety Building. Joint City Council/Board meeting scheduled Dec 14 at 1500 for needs assessment update. 🏛️
- Joint messaging campaign underway regarding needs and deficiencies of Station 25 and police station for public awareness. 🗣️

## District Information 🚒

- Completed second round of Engineer testing; 9 candidates passed. Thanks to Chief McVay and team. Total now 14 Engineers.
- True engineer positions bid on Nov 16. Badge pinning and promotions scheduled Dec 9 at Board of Supervisors chambers, 4 pm. 🇺🇸
- Website live and updating; Captain Poganski adding email signup for citizen info distribution. 🌐
- CEDAPP hosted Stars in Action event Nov 11 in Camino, recognizing first responders on Caldor Fire. Chief Lohan, Engines 17 & 19, and myself attended. Thanks to Director Harper and CEDAPP. 🌟 🔥
- Working with Red Hawk Casino on hotel and entertainment center development; appreciate partnership and input opportunities. 🏨 🏰
- Reviewing apparatus replacement plan with Chief Lohan; may accelerate due to fleet/personnel needs. Awaiting Pierce info to draft plan for finance/board. ⚙️
- Ongoing FEMA/OES reimbursement process for Caldor Fire, primarily for overtime costs. 📁 🔥
- Station 28 update: Contractor scheduled for caulking work on Nov 23 to address settling issues. 🏠 🛠️
- Station 17 RFP for construction manager nearly ready, pending final City staff and legal review. 🏗️
- Initial ISO review meeting held; comparing preliminary data to last review. ✔️
- Evaluating transition from Firehouse RMS to Image Trend; ARPA funding requested but likely unavailable, will reassess mid-year. 💻 🔄
- Participated on Deputy Chief interview panel for City of Modesto on Nov 10. 🗣️
- Experiencing scheduling difficulties for Board meeting locations; working with County and City to confirm. May discuss changing Board meeting days, update expected in January. 🏛️ 🔄