



El Dorado County Fire Protection District

Fire Chief's Monthly Report

 February 22, 2024

City of Placerville

Public Safety Building (PSB) Planning

The District continues collaboration with City staff on the potential **land acquisition** for the PSB. A **City Council workshop** was held on **January 30** to discuss facility needs and potential **funding sources**. While no formal action was taken, the Council directed staff to return with **additional funding information**.

Annual Fire Safety Event – March 2024

Planning is underway for the **Annual Fire Safety Event** in partnership with the **City and the Placerville Fire Safe Council**. ECF is a proud sponsor and has permitted the FSC to **display a banner** at **Station 25** to promote the event.

Joint Powers Authority (JPA)

Contract Negotiations Underway

The District has initiated **contract negotiations** with **El Dorado County** regarding the JPA agreement, which is set to expire on **June 30, 2025**.

EMS Supervisor & Medic Unit Updates

No additional progress has been made regarding the proposed **EMS Supervisor position** or the **additional medic unit**. The **JPA Board** is awaiting **clarity on funding** prior to making a decision.

District News & Updates

Storm Response & Cal OES Funding

Recent local storm systems qualified for **Pre-Position funding** from **Cal OES**, allowing for the **upstaffing of additional engine companies and Chief Officers**.

Thanks to the joint efforts of ECF and DSP personnel, the District was able to provide enhanced

coverage during these storms. Unfortunately, **three homes** sustained **significant tree damage** due to high winds and downed power lines.

Sierra Pacific Industries (SPI) Tree Clearing

SPI has conducted **extensive vegetation clearing** along **Carson Road**, near **Station 21**, and generously removed several trees from the **Station 21 property at no cost** to the District.

Annual Live Fire Drills Completed

All personnel have successfully completed the **annual live fire drills**. Special thanks to **Chief McVay, Chief Adams, Captain Lemos**, and all proctors for organizing the training. ECF, DSP, and CAL FIRE crews all participated.

Cameron Park Fire Services

Staff continues to work with **AP Triton** on the **Cameron Park Fire Services study**, providing additional data and clarifications as requested.

Fire Prevention Bureau Relocation

The **Fire Prevention Bureau** has begun moving operations to **Station 49** as of the week of **February 20**.

- **Chief Stirling and Captain Shepard** have transitioned first.
- **Gina Alvarado** will relocate in **mid to late March**, allowing additional time to **notify the public**.
- RTS is installing a **workstation for the Fire Chief** at Station 49 to streamline daily workflow and support the Prevention Bureau's relocation.

HRT Quarterly Training – March 19

The District's **High-Risk Response Teams (HRTs)** will participate in **quarterly joint training** with **CHP** in the **Blue Lakes** area on **March 19**.

Annual Auto Extrication Training

Led by **Captain Rose**, the District will hold its **Annual Auto Extrication Training** on **March 4, 6, and 8** at **Extreme Towing Yard**, 6590 Commerce Way, **Diamond Springs**.

Monitoring Medic 28 Operations

Staff is actively reviewing **call volume and response data** for **Medic 28** following recent changes in **medic unit deployments**.