



Fire Chiefs Report

June 18, 2020

JPA Update

- Interim Executive Director Chief Corado remains in place, supported by staff from Diamond Springs (DSP) and El Dorado Hills (EDH).
- HR committee is developing an updated flyer for the permanent Executive Director position; staffing model assessment is underway.
- Fiscal year 19/20 closed approximately \$100K in the red; preliminary 20/21 budget approved with a projected \$123K surplus.
- Capital replacement plan developed; outreach ongoing with County for potential capital funding.
- Sent letter to Dr. Duncan at State EMSA regarding proposed Chapter 13 regulation changes.

Fire Authority

- Refocusing efforts toward the ambulance system with incremental steps.
- Met with County CAO, Deputy CAO, Supervisors Parlin and Veerkamp to discuss scope, provider rights, and other key questions.
- Triton Consulting drafting a white paper for a comprehensive review and plan.
- Goal: transition ambulance system away from the County and current JPA into a new West Slope Medical/Fire Authority overseeing all ambulance components.
- Fire service issues, including recent Grand Jury report findings, will be addressed later; current focus is on ambulance system.

Operations & Staffing

- Second set of turnout gear ordered; working on procedures and policies for annual cleaning and inspection by third party.
- Engine 319 delivered; currently outfitting with equipment and radios.
- Squad 74 / Coloma staffing progressing well; crews busy on weekends as activity increases.
- Chief Dutch and Captain White reporting increased fire and medical call volume.

COVID-19 Response

- Developing cautious transition plan while remaining in unified command with Diamond Springs Fire.
- Focus areas include chief officer coverage and training.
- Fire Prevention progressing on a shared services agreement; recent meeting reviewed policies, procedures, org chart, and eventual fee schedule pending Board approval.
- Ongoing discussions to expand shared services for improved efficiency and effectiveness; priority is establishing a core shared services partnership agreement to enable further collaboration.

Systems & Reviews

- RMS system review in progress; Captain Lindberg collaborating with EDH and DSP to integrate first responder fee and improve operational efficiency.

LAFCO Update

- AT&T / Bloxom annexation reviewed and deemed complete; proposal scheduled for LAFCO review on July 22, 2020.
- Agreement reached between ECF and El Dorado County on Project No. 2020-01 (island annexations). Final application and service plan due by December 3, 2020. Additional fees include \$3,500 to State Board of Equalization and \$50 to County Recorder.

City of Placerville

- Drone flights conducted for Lumsden Park fuel mitigation efforts.
- Exploring potential stimulus funding for joint facility at the City level.
- Issued joint press release enforcing burn ban under City Ordinance 3-3-2.

Payroll Position

- Gina Tassinari's retirement pending October 3, 2020.
- Formal job offer extended to Laura Land; hiring process underway.
- Part-time training scheduled 2-3 days per week from July 13 to August 17.
- Full-time training and shadowing planned August 13 through October 3.
- Gina Alvarado on maternity leave July 2 through mid-October.

Strike Team Deployment

- Deployment details related to Walker Fire (details to follow).