



## El Dorado County Fire Protection District

### Fire Chief's Monthly Report

 January 16, 2025

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#### City of Placerville

##### Station 25 Open House

On **January 11**, the District hosted a well-attended **Open House at Station 25**. Community members had the opportunity to meet their local firefighters and view the **newly placed fire engine**.

##### Wildfire Preparedness Planning

Initial planning is underway for the **Annual Wildfire Preparedness Event**, in collaboration with the **Placerville Fire Safe Council**. The event is scheduled for **April 2025**.

##### Special Event Coordination

District staff are continuing to work with **City personnel** to refine the **Main Street closure** and **special event permitting** processes.

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#### Joint Powers Authority (JPA)

##### Contract Negotiations

Negotiations with **El Dorado County** continue, with **bi-monthly meetings** underway. Key elements of the proposed agreement were presented during a **recent JPA Workshop**, and direction has been given to the **Ad Hoc committee** for further development.

##### Executive Leadership

**Cristy Jorgensen** officially began her role as **Executive Director of the JPA** on **January 6, 2025**. We welcome her leadership and expertise.

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#### District Updates

##### Wildfire Response Deployment

Due to ongoing wildfires in the **Los Angeles area**, **DSP and ECF Districts** have deployed combined resources to the incident, including **Engine 328, Engine 372, and Chief Daniels**.

### **Engineer Examination Process**

This week marks the implementation of the **Engineer promotional exam process**. With the recent **retirement of Engineer Pennington**, one vacancy is currently open.

### **New Hires – January 27 Start**

We are pleased to welcome two new team members:

- 1 **Public Affairs Officer**
- 1 **Firefighter/Paramedic**



### **Deputy Chief Role Development**

Work is in progress to define a **new Deputy Chief job description**, which will be reviewed by the **Planning Group, Working Group**, and ultimately brought before the **District Boards**.

### **Station Update**

Crews from **Station 19** remain **temporarily relocated to Station 23** during ongoing repair work at Station 19.

### **Upcoming Open Houses**

-  **Station 49** will host an **Open House this Saturday** to showcase the new **Engine 49**
-  **Station 28** will host a similar event the **following weekend**

### **Marshall Hospital Ambulance Cover Groundbreaking**

District staff participated in the **groundbreaking ceremony** for the **new ambulance cover** at **Marshall Hospital**. This new structure will provide much-needed **weather protection** for EMS crews and patients.

## **Regional Leadership**

### **Fire Chiefs' Association**

I will be **continuing as Chair** of the **El Dorado County Fire Chiefs' Association** for **2025**. I look forward to supporting collaborative efforts countywide.