

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS

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Notice of Joint Meeting and Agenda TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT SIERRA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

9:00 a.m.

Tuesday, October 20, 2015

**Washoe County Administrative Complex, Commission Chambers
1001 E. Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada**

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Support documentation for the items on the agenda, provided to the Board of Fire Commissioners is available to members of the public at the District's Admin Office (1001 E. 9th Street, Bldg. D, 2nd Floor, Reno, Nevada) Sandy Francis, Administrative Assistant I, phone (775) 328-6124 and on the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District's website at www.washoecounty.us/tmfpd ; and <https://notice.nv.gov>.

All items numbered or lettered below are hereby designated **for possible action** as if the words "for possible action" were written next to each item (NRS 241.020). An item listed with asterisk (*) next to it is an item for which no action will be taken.

- 9:00am *1. Salute to the Flag
- *2. Call to order/roll call
- *3. Public Comment - Comment heard under this item will be limited to three minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the Board of Fire Commissioners agenda. The District will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to three minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the Board of Fire Commissioners as a whole.
4. Consent Items:
- A. Approval of minutes from the September Meetings
 - B. Discussion and possible approval of an amendment updating rate schedules in Automatic Aid Agreement between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the City of Reno Fire Department
5. Presentation by the National Weather Service on fire weather outlook.
- *6. Fire Chief Report:
- A. Report and discussion related to fire district operations
 - B. Career Statistics' and Report for August and September 2015
 - C. Volunteer Statistics' and Report for August and September 2015
7. Accept a Special Fund Grant [not to exceed \$16,000] from Washoe County in support of purchasing a Chest Compression System to be utilized at Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Station 17, located at 500 Rockwell Blvd., Sparks, NV and to direct finance to make appropriate budget changes.
8. Approve a Lease Agreement between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company for the warehouse facility located at 1315 Greg Street, Suite 105, Sparks, NV for a term of thirty-seven (37) months, subject to a Funding Out Clause, for a total lease amount of \$179,712.

The following agenda item #9 will be heard by the Washoe County Board of Commissioners who will convene solely as the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Sierra Fire Protection District.

9. Discussion and possible approval of a notice to cancel all contracts with the volunteer 501(c)(3) organizations to include Cold Springs, Galena, Peavine, Verdi, and South Valley and authorize the Fire Chief to implement the cancellation of contracts.

The following agenda item #10 will be heard by the Washoe County Board of Commissioners who will convene solely as the Board of Fire Commissioners for the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District

10. Discussion and possible approval of a notice to cancel all contracts with the volunteer 501(c)(3) organizations to include Cold Springs, Lemmon Valley, Palomino Valley, Silver Lake and South Valley and authorize the Fire Chief to implement the cancellation of contracts.
- *11. Commissioners'/Fire Chief's announcements, requests for information, topics for future agendas, and statements relating to items not on the Agenda. (No discussion among Commissioners will take place on this item).
- *12. Public Comment. Comment heard under this item will be limited to three minutes per person and may pertain to matters both on and off the Board of Fire Commissioners agenda. The District will also hear public comment during individual action items, with comment limited to three minutes per person. Comments are to be made to the Board of Fire Commissioners as a whole.
13. Adjournment.

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (TMFPD)
SIERRA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (SFPD)**

TUESDAY

9:00 a.m.

SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

PRESENT:

Marsha Berkbigler, Chair
Kitty Jung, Vice Chair
Vaughn Hartung, Commissioner
Jeanne Herman, Commissioner
Bob Lucey, Commissioner

Nancy Parent, County Clerk
Paul Lipparelli, Legal Counsel
Charles Moore, Fire Chief

The Board convened at 9:00 a.m. in regular session in the Commission Chambers of the Washoe County Administration Complex, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our Country, the Clerk called the roll and the Board conducted the following business:

Chair Berkbigler introduced Principal Tammy Hart from Spanish Springs High School. She stated it was Principal for a Day and Commissioner Hartung was paired with Ms. Hart for the day.

15-0138F AGENDA ITEM 3 Public Comment.

Ian Satterfield spoke about Fire Ops 101, an event that offered the opportunity to experience a day in the life of a firefighter. He stated the event provided a controlled and safe environment to encounter and command an incident, just as a battalion chief would. He encouraged the Board to participate in the event.

CONSENT ITEMS 4A through 4C

15-0139F 4A Approval of minutes from the Board of Fire Commissioners meeting on Aug 18, 2015.

15-0140F 4B Recommendation to approve for Unclassified Management and Non-Represented Confidential and Administrative employees a 3.0% Cost of Living Adjustment in base wage effective July 1, 2015. The Fiscal 2015/2016 impact is estimated at approximately \$19,064.

15-0141F 4C Approval of a Community Wildfire Protection Plan developed by the West Washoe Wildfire Preparedness Group.

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On the call for public comment, Norman Azevedo spoke in favor of Agenda Item 4C. He said he owned 540 acres within the Community Wildfire Protection Plan area, between Washoe City and Carson City, of which approximately 480 acres was forest. He indicated he already removed 20,000 tons of dead trees from his property. He stated he was in support of the plan, with the understanding that he would not be mandated to create additional defensible space.

On motion by Commissioner Hartung, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that Consent Agenda Items 4A through 4C be approved. Any and all Resolutions or Interlocal Agreements pertinent to Consent Agenda Items 4A through 4C are attached hereto and made a part hereof.

15-0142F **AGENDA ITEM 5** Presentation by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10053: A) EMT of the Year, Captain Chris Black; B) Firefighter of the Year, Captain Wayne Cirone.

Charles Moore, Fire Chief, introduced Senior Vice Commander Danny Waldrop and Commander Denise Estes, who recognized Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) of the year, Captain Black and Firefighter of the Year, Captain Cirone.

There was no public comment or action taken on this item.

15-0143F **AGENDA ITEM 6** Fire Chief Report: A) Report and discussion related to fire district operations; B) Commissioner Hartung Allocation of Discretionary funds for the EMS Program; C) Update on Volunteer Program Reform.

Chief Moore stated he was pleased to report the wildfire incidents had been light this season, considering all the fires in Washington, Oregon, Idaho and particularly in California. He was thankful for the efforts of his staff with fire prevention and response times and he was proud of the citizens for keeping accidental fires to a minimum. Regarding automatic aid, he stated there would be a concurrent meeting on September 21st, to review the agreement. He confirmed the TMFPD completed every necessary task to ensure a smooth transition. He stated the City of Reno was still working on the maps for the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) program, but they should be finalized and updated soon. He noted only minor adjustments were needed to complete the City of Sparks maps and no adjustments were needed for North Lake Tahoe. He indicated that determination of the closest unit would be based on the fastest response time, not geographical proximity.

Commissioner Hartung questioned whether the overlap map would look similar to the maps that were submitted to the City of Reno. Chief Moore indicated they would be similar. He also stated that automatic aid only included responses to structure and brush fires; not emergency medical services (EMS). When asked whether there was an EMS agreement with the City of Sparks, Chief Moore stated there was a full automatic aid agreement, which included EMS calls. He noted there was also an agreement, which

included EMS, with North Lake Tahoe and a mutual aid relationship with Carson City as well. Commissioner Hartung stated he hoped that in the near future there would be an agreement with the City of Reno to include EMS calls. Chief Moore noted Storey County Fire Station 5, in the Tahoe Regional Industrial Center, was staffed and he understood they would be going to a four-staff crew soon. He stated he spoke with Storey County Fire Chief Gary Hames regarding automatic aid and Storey County would be prepared to respond in the I-80 corridor in the near future. Commissioner Hartung asked what the response time to Wadsworth would be when Storey County was able to respond. Chief Moore thought it would be an approximately 15 minutes from USA Parkway. He also noted that Storey County assisted with a number of fires along the east Truckee River corridor during the summer.

Chair Berkgigler confirmed with Chief Moore that the TMFPD had working automatic aid plans with the surrounding cities except for the City of Reno. He stated the City of Reno was involved in the CAD programming, but was not prepared for the transition currently. Chair Berkgigler understood the automatic aid law would go into effect on October 1st and she questioned whether Chief Moore was confident with that date. Chief Moore stated he was 90 percent confident with the date, but he wanted the entire CAD program to be finalized so dispatch could perform some tests. He said until the last portion was received from the City of Reno, the tests could not be done. He stated the program had the ability to work in test mode to ensure the system would function as it was designed to. Chair Berkgigler asked whether the Automatic Vehicle Locator (AVL) program was currently functional in the fire trucks. Chief Moore stated in order for the CAD to work with the AVL, there would be some additional software licenses and CAD programming needed. He noted the equipment for each fire truck was not expensive, but the technical challenge would be building the software to enable a dispatcher to track the location of every truck based on the proximity of an incident. He stated using the CAD with the AVL was considered the gold standard for automatic aid.

Chief Moore presented a photo of the chest compression machine that Commissioner Hartung wanted to purchase with discretionary funds. He indicated the machine would alleviate manual chest compressions and continue constant compressions in a cardiac arrest situation. He stated doing chest compressions was very strenuous and the machine would allow the EMS staff to perform other life saving measures on a patient. He said if the machine proved effective, they would consider the purchase of additional machines.

Chair Berkgigler was curious if the compression machine was adjustable for adults as well as children. Chief Moore stated that the machine was adjustable, but he was uncertain if it was adjustable to suit the needs of a child. Commissioner Hartung said he hoped the Board would approve spending the discretionary funds. He added a possible donor was considering the purchase of an additional compression machine that could be designated for the North Valleys.

Chief Moore spoke regarding the reform of the volunteer program. He stated the individual stations would transition from autonomous departments to one that

**BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
SIERRA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

TUESDAY

11:00 a.m.

SEPTEMBER 22, 2015

PRESENT:

Marsha Berkbigler, Chair
Kitty Jung, Vice Chair
Vaughn Hartung, Commissioner
Jeanne Herman, Commissioner
Bob Lucey, Commissioner

Nancy Parent, County Clerk
Paul Lipparelli, Legal Counsel
Charles Moore, Fire Chief

The Board convened at 3:13 p.m. in regular session in the Commission Chambers of the Washoe County Administration Complex, 1001 East Ninth Street, Reno, Nevada. Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our Country, the Clerk called the roll and the Board conducted the following business:

15-0158F AGENDA ITEM 3 Public Comment.

On the call for public comment, Brian Rasmussen spoke in opposition to medical marijuana because marijuana was considered an illegal drug. He stated his opposition to the possibility of recreational marijuana being legal in the future as well. He thought medical marijuana should be treated as any other medication and dispensed through a regulated pharmacy as all other medications were.

15-0159F AGENDA ITEM 4 Presentation by the National Weather Service on fire weather outlook.

Truckee Meadows Fire Chief Charles Moore asked if this presentation could be postponed until the meeting of October 20th. Chair Berkbigler agreed with the postponement.

There was no public comment or action taken on this item.

15-0160F AGENDA ITEM 5 Discussion and possible approval of a side letter agreement between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and International Association of Firefighters Local 3895 to allow donations of annual or compensatory leave from employees to Captain Bill Winchester

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in excess of the 672 hour maximum negotiated in the collective bargaining agreement.

Chief Moore stated that Captain Bill Winchester requested to wait until October 31st to make a determination as to whether he would take medical disability or take the employment offered to him by the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District (TMFPD). He said it was important to Captain Winchester to maintain his sick leave status until he was able to make the decision. He noted Captain Winchester would need approximately 307 hours of donated sick leave to get him through that time period. The side letter agreement was drafted by legal counsel for the TMFPD and was presented to the attorney for the International Association of Firefighters Local 3895, who was in agreement. Chief Moore stated the commitment was to allow Captain Winchester to accumulate additional hours to get him to the October 31st date.

Paul Lipparelli stated that communication was received from the attorney representing the employee with some minor changes to the draft agreement, but he was unsure which agreement was included in the packet presented. He wanted to ensure the correct document was approved.

There was no public comment on this item.

On motion by Commissioner Jung, seconded by Commissioner Hartung, which motion duly carried, it was ordered that the side letter agreement, with the minor changes as described by Paul Lipparelli, be approved.

15-0161F **AGENDA ITEM 6** Commissioners'/Fire Chief's announcements, requests for information, topics for future agendas, and statements relating to items not on the Agenda. (No discussion among Commissioners will take place on this item).

Chief Moore announced a minor structure fire that occurred earlier in Hidden Valley was the result of an owner who attempted to kill black widow spiders by way of a blowtorch. He noted that with only a quarter of an inch more rain between now and the end of fire season, the Truckee Meadows should be out of risk of further wildfire danger, according to the weather service.

Commissioner Hartung asked if the compression unit request would be on the next Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District (TMFPD) agenda. Chief Moore replied that as long as it was on the agenda for the Board of County Commissioners' next meeting, it should be on the agenda for the October 20th TMFPD meeting for final approval.

There was no public comment or action taken on this item.

15-0162F AGENDA ITEM 7 Public Comment.

Cathy Brandhorst spoke about matters of concern to herself.

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3:25 p.m. There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Commissioner Hartung, seconded by Commissioner Jung, which motion duly carried, the meeting was adjourned.

MARSHA BERKBIGLER, Chair
Truckee Meadows Fire
Protection District and Sierra
Fire Protection District

ATTEST:

NANCY PARENT, Washoe County Clerk
and Ex-Officio Clerk, Truckee Meadows
Fire Protection District and Sierra Fire
Protection District

Minutes Prepared By:
Doni Gassaway, Deputy County Clerk



TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT SIERRA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date: October 20, 2015

CM/ACM _____
Finance _____
Legal _____
Risk Mgt. _____
HR _____

DATE: October 8, 2015

TO: Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Board of Fire Commissioners
Sierra Fire Protection District Board of Fire Commissioners

FROM: Charles A. Moore, Fire Chief
Phone: (775) 328-6123 Email: cmoore@tmfpd.us

SUBJECT: Discussion and possible approval of an amendment updating rate schedules in Automatic Aid Agreement between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the City of Reno Fire Department. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

This staff report is for possible approval of an amendment updating rate schedules in the Automatic Aid Agreement between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the City of Reno Fire Department.

Strategic Objective supported by this item: *Safe, secure and healthy communities*

PREVIOUS ACTION

On May 26, 2015 during a concurrent meeting of the City of Reno, Washoe County Board of Commissioners and the TMFPD/SFPD Board of Fire Commissioners, the Fire Commissioners discussed and requested further information regarding processes to develop an automatic aid agreement including major components of automatic aid, cost, geographic areas and a timeline for implementation.

On June 15, 2015 during a concurrent meeting of the City of Reno and Washoe County Board of Commissioners and the TMFPD/SFPD Board of Fire Commissioners, the Fire Commissioners directed staff to begin work to develop components of an Automatic Aid Agreement.

On September 21, 2015 the Board/s approved a Cooperative and Automatic Agreement between TMFPD/SFPD and City of Reno that included a rate schedule in the exhibits (Annual Operating Plan)

BACKGROUND

On September 21, 2015 the Board of Fire Commissioners approved the Automatic Aid Agreement. After further review of the rate schedule, and after additional discussions with City of Reno and City of Sparks, staff desires to make the District's rate schedule consistent with the other agencies.

The changes are minor and reflect removing the cost of PERS from the base hourly rates. Neither, Reno or Sparks have these costs in the base hourly rates. In an effort to make the schedules consistent,

staff requests this amendment. There is no change in the overtime or callback rates from the original schedule as presented.

FISCAL IMPACT

Staff does not anticipate a fiscal impact from this change as the base rates are now consistently reported between the agencies and the overtime and callback rates remain unchanged from the original schedule as presented.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of an amendment updating rate schedules embedded in an Automatic Aid Agreement between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the City of Reno Fire Department.

POSSIBLE MOTION

A possible motion to staff could be:

"I move to approve an amendment updating rate schedules to an Automatic Aid Agreement between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the City of Reno Fire Department."

2015 BILLING RATES
TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
EQUIPMENT AND PERSONNEL RATE SCHEDULE/S

APPARATUS RATES

Equipment responding to an incident on an equipment resource order ("E" number) will be billed for hours worked as indicated on the Crew Time Report/Shift Ticket and will include travel time. Equipment is not included in portal to portal pay provisions; however usage will be reimbursed at the rate indicated in the rate schedule.

• Structure Engine - Type I	\$187.33/hr
• Brush Engine - Type III	\$151.43/hr
• Water Tender	\$117.23/hr
• Patrol Truck -- Type VI	\$93.86/hr
• Rescue	\$75.00/hr
• Heavy Rescue	\$175.00/hr
• Air Truck	\$142.00/hr
• Fuel Truck	\$75.00/hr
• Water Rescue Unit w/Boats	\$75.00/hr
• Hazmat Unit	\$212.50/hr
• Heavy Mechanic Truck	\$118.00/hr

SUPPORT VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT RATES

Medical Equipment: Reimbursement will be made for expendable medical supplies such as drugs, IV fluids, cardio electrodes, etc. A pre-incident and post-incident inventory, approved by the Incident Commander, will be required for reimbursement request submitted with the billing package. If a pre and post-incident inventory cannot be obtained, an invoice of supplies consumed signed by the Incident Commander will suffice.

- ALS, Durable Medical Equip. Kit \$250.00/day

County or Fire District Owned Vehicles:

• Command Vehicle	\$96.00/day plus 57.5 cents per mile
• SUV/Pickup (½ ton and below)	\$86.00/day plus 57.5 cents per mile
• Pickup (¾ ton and above)	\$96.00/day plus 57.5 cents per mile
• Polaris UTV	\$150.00/day (must be ordered via resource order)
• Privately Owned Vehicle	57.5 cents per mile
• Masticator	\$65.00/hr
• Ambulance	\$112.33/hr

PERSONNEL RATES

Backfill (for 56 hour personnel only) personnel and their invoices amounts will be shown on the same invoice as incident personnel. Backfill dates will be noted. All personnel are charged consistent with the District's current labor agreements and/or resolutions as approved by the Board.

40 Hour Rate	Regular	OT	CB OT
Chief	71.65 95.84		
Deputy Fire Chief	66.02 96.79	99.04	138.57
Battalion Chief	58.20 85.84	87.30	122.15
Fire Marshal	54.90 74.46	82.36	105.09
Fire Prevention Specialist	37.69 52.50	56.53	72.14
40 Hour Rate	Regular	OT	CB OT
Logistics Captain	44.70 66.96	67.05	93.82
Fire Mechanic	33.82 44.05	50.74	64.74
Training Captain	46.01 68.78	69.00	96.55

56 Hour Rate	Regular	OT	CB OT
Battalion Chief	41.57 61.32	62.36	87.26
Training Captain	29.88 44.95	44.81	62.70
Captain	29.88 44.95	44.81	62.70
Operator	26.62 40.39	39.92	55.86
Paramedic	25.11 38.28	37.66	52.70
Firefighter	22.60 34.77	33.90	47.44

BILLING ADDRESS

Truckee Meadows/Sierra Fire Protection District
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Tim Leighton, Deputy Fire Chief
(775) 328-6125 Mobile (775) 315-6649

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(775) 326-6000 Fax (775) 326-6003

DUNS NUMBER

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TAX ID NUMBER

EIN # 38-3856902

STATION LOCATIONS

Career Stations

Station #13 – 10575 Silver Lake Rd., Stead,
Station #14 – 12300 Old Virginia Rd., Reno
Station #15 – 110 Quartz Ln., Sun Valley
Station #16 – 1240 E. Lake Blvd., Washoe Valley
Station #17 – 500 Rockwell Blvd. Spanish Spring
Station #18 – 3680 Diamond Peak Dr., Cold Springs
Station #30 – 3905 Old Hwy 395, Washoe Valley
Station #35 – 10201 W. 4th St., Mogul
Station #36 – 13500 Thomas Creek Rd., Reno
Station #37 – 3255 W. Hidden Valley Dr., Reno
Station #39 – 4000 Joy Lake Rd., Reno

Volunteer Stations

VFD #220 – 3405 White Lake Pkwy., Cold Springs
VFD #221 – 11525 Red Rock Rd., Silver Lake
VFD #223 – 130 Nectar St., Lemmon Valley
VFD #225 – 400 Stampmill Dr., Wadsworth
VFD #227 – 3010 Lakeshore Blvd., Washoe Valley
VFD #229 – 6015 Ironwood Rd., Palomino Valley
VFD #237 – 23006 US 395 A, Pleasant Valley
VFD #301 – 345 Bellevue Rd., Washoe Valley
VFD #321 – 250 South Ave., Cold Springs
VFD #351 – 165 Bridge St., Verdi
VFD #381 – 16255 Mt. Rose Hwy., Reno



MEMORANDUM

October 12, 2015

To: Board of Fire Commissioners
Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District

Fm: Charles A. Moore, Fire Chief

Re: Fire Chief's Report and Statistics for August and September 2015

Attached are statistical summaries for career and volunteer operations and training for the month of August and September 2015.

Other updates are as follows:

1. Holiday Tree Recycling Partnership with Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful.

According to the National Fire Protection Association Between 2009-2013, U.S. fire departments responded to an average of 210 home fires that started with Christmas trees per year. These fires caused an average of 7 deaths, 19 injuries, and \$17.5 million in direct property damage annually. I met with representatives of Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful and Goat Grazers concerning KTMB's holiday tree recycling program for the upcoming holiday season. (Please see the attachment.) The District intends to provide in-kind support to the project that will include drop off locations, at TM fire stations, hauling trees to Goat Grazers and to Washoe County regional parks for chipping. The program is aimed at increasing fire safety and preventing tree dumping. You may recall from last year that Goat Grazers, a local company owned by a TMFPD Fire Captain was a big hit for holiday tree recycling and brought a great deal of attention to the issue.

2. Wildfire Season Burned Acreage Summary.

Below is a summary of the State of Nevada experience for burned acreage for this year's season. I do not anticipate an opening burning season prior to November 1 unless some snow is received and grass becomes matted down. Although the District received good precipitation, factors remain that could cause fires to become uncontrolled.

		Human Caused Fires	Human Caused Acres	Lightning Fires	Lightning Acres	Total Fires	Total Acres
Bureau of Indian Affairs	BIA	3	2	8	671	11	673
Bureau of Land Management	BLM	101	2,713	238	14,804	339	17,517
NV Counties	C&L	21	152	13	4	34	156
US Forest Service	USFS	23	257	64	18,808	87	19,065
US Fish & Wildlife	FWS	3	0	1	0	4	0
National Park Service	NPS	8	7	7	1	15	0
Nevada Division of Forestry	NDF	29	1,461	23	4,102	52	5,563
Tribal		0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL		188	4,592	354	38,390	542	42,982

3. TM took delivery of a new type I structural engine in the month of September. The engine has been put in service at Station 17 Spanish Springs.



What will you do with your unsold trees?

Though the hope is to sell out, you must have a plan in place for any unsold trees.

No Dumping

Trees and other green waste does not biodegrade (break down) in our dry climate, so dumped trees become kindling for wild fires. **Dumping anything – even trees, sod and other organic matter – is illegal. Businesses caught illegally dumping can be fined or lose their licenses.** If you see illegal dumping, please report it: 775.329.DUMP.

Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful coordinates a volunteer-run Christmas Tree Recycling program for residents, but we **cannot handle unsold trees from a lot.** If you would like to know more about our program or how to put a plan in place for your unsold trees, we would love to speak with you before Dec. 20: staff@ktmb.org or 775.851.5185.

Lockwood Landfill

Trees are not accepted in residential trash cans unless cut into small sections. Trees and other green waste can be taken to the Lockwood Landfill, 2401 Canyon Way, Sparks, 775.342.0401. Cost is by weight and varies.

Composting

If your plan is to take unsold trees to the landfill, a sometimes cheaper and more environmentally-friendly way is composting. We have two regional facilities.

RT Donovan Company, Inc., in Sparks

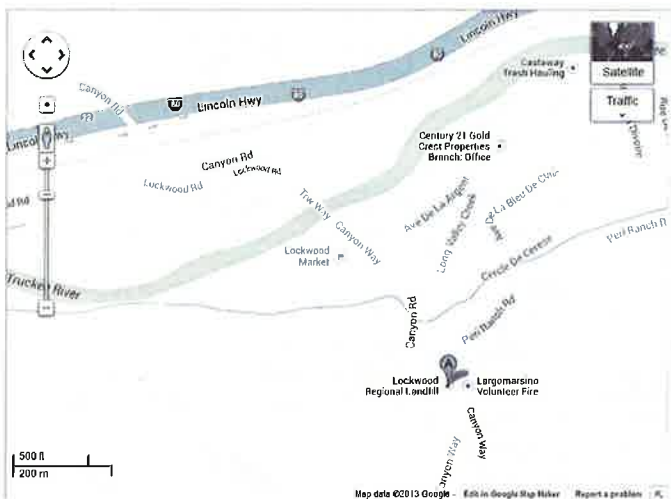
775.425.3015 | \$5 per tree



Full Circle Compost in Minden

775.267.5305 | \$8 per yard

You must call first for location: There are two drop-off locations for Full Circle, one in Carson (larger loads) and one in Minden.



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ALUMINUM CANS

Earth First Recycling 626-2286
Schnitzer Steel 331-2267
Western Metals Recycling 358-8880

ANTIFREEZE

Reno Drain Oil Service 342-0351
Kragen Auto Parts 853-8770

APPLIANCES

NV Recycling 775-888-9888
Schnitzer Steel 331-2267
Western Metals Recycling 358-8880

BATTERIES — CAR

Howard's Chevron Inc. 786-2159
Kragen Auto Parts 853-8770

BATTERIES — HOUSEHOLD

Batteries Plus (Batteries Plus Bulbs)
Whole Foods 852-8023

BATTERIES — RECHARGEABLE

Batteries Plus (Batteries Plus Bulbs)
Lowe's/Radio Shack locations

BIKES

Kiwanis Bike Program 337-1717
Reno Bike Project 323-4488

BOOKS - LARGE QUANTITIES

Big Brothers Big Sisters 826-2122
High Desert Recycling 358-3000

BUBBLE WRAP & PEANUTS

Mail Boxes Etc. 746-3988
Postal Annex Plus 626-6868

CARDBOARD — CORRUGATED

Earth First Recycling 626-2286
Waste Management 329-8822

CELLPHONES

Best Buy, Target & CVS locations
New2U Computers 329-1126
NV Recycling 775-888-9888
Whole Foods 852-8023

CDs, DVDs, VHS, CASES

Best Buy locations
New2U Computers 329-1126
NV Recycling 775-888-9888

CLOTHING

Big Brothers Big Sisters 826-2122

Goodwill Industries 828-7681
W.A.R.C. 324-1992

COMPOST/YARD WASTE

Full Circle Compost 775-267-5305
RT Donovan Company, Inc 425-3015

COMPUTERS

Computer Corps 883-2323
New2U Computers 329-1126
NV Recycling 775-888-9888

CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS

Rubbish Runners 376-6162
Waste Management 342-0401

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS

WASTE

Double Barrel Environmental
Services 284-3690
H2O Environmental 351-2237

INK CARTRIDGES

Best Buy locations
Computer Corps 883-2323
Encompass 972-8200
New2U Computers 329-1126

LIGHT BULBS

Batteries Plus (Batteries Plus Bulbs)
Lowe's locations (compact fluores-
cent only)

OIL

Howard's Chevron Inc. 786-2159
Kragen Auto Parts 853-8770
Reno Drain Oil Service 342-0351

PAINT

Double Barrel Environmental
Services 284-3690
H2O Environmental 351-2237

PAPER

Earth First Recycling 626-2286
Waste Management 329-8822

PESTICIDES

Double Barrel Environmental
Services 284-3690
H2O Environmental 351-2237
NV Dept of Agriculture 353-3601

PHONE BOOKS

Opt out: yellowpagesoptout.com
Waste Management 329-8822

PLASTIC

Earth First Recycling 626-2286
NV Recycling 775-888-9888
Whole Foods 852-8023

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS

Washoe County Sheriff 328-3001
Reno Police Department 334-2175
Sparks Police Department 353-2231

SCRAP METAL

Earth First Recycling 626-2286

Schnitzer Steel 331-2267
Western Metals Recycling 358-8880

TELEVISIONS

Best Buy locations
(size restrictions apply)
Waste Management 329-8822
(Sony, LG, Zenith & Goldstar
accepted free)

TIRES

Firestone Tires 829-2880
Howard's Chevron Inc. 786-2159
Tires Plus 525-9381

VEHICLES

Pick N Pull 359-4040
NN Auto Wrecking Group 329-8671
Western Metals Recycling 358-8880

WASTE WOOD

The Pallet Depot 971-1983

For more, please visit

ktmb.org/recycle

CURBSIDE RECYCLING

If you live in a single residence home
in Washoe County, call Waste Manage-
ment at 329-8822 or visit truckeemead-
owsrecycling.com to find out about
curbside recycling in your area.

If you live in an apartment complex in
Washoe County, you can take recy-
clables — glass, cans, plastic bottles,
newspaper, phone books — to Waste
Management Recycle America stations:
• 1100 E. Commercial Row, Reno, and
• 1455 E. Greg St, Sparks.
These locations also take office paper
and cardboard.

OTHER RESOURCES

Nevada Recycling: 800-597-5865
Reno Freecycle: groups.yahoo.com/
group/RenoFreecycle

PLEASE NOTE

Recycling and disposal businesses may
charge for services because they incur
a cost for proper disposal or recycling.

Information is subject to change.
Please call businesses to confirm
items for disposal, hours and charges.



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September 3, 2015

Chief Charles Moore
Truckee Meadows Fire District
1001 East Ninth Street
Building D, Second Floor
Reno, NV 89520

Chief Moore,

I am sending this letter of commendation to recognize your Personnel, whom I had the pleasure of leading as part of XTB 4227 C, including Jeff Knox, Scott Fenley, Brad Steelman and Kolt Clore. This Strike Team was a test of endurance and patience. During the fourteen-day assignment the Strike Team was relocated and assigned to four different fires including the Humboldt Complex, the Jerusalem Fire, the Mad River Complex and the South Complex. The Engines worked together as a cohesive group and overcame constantly changing conditions in camp and on their Fire Line assignments. They required minimal guidance and completed all tasks they were assigned. They maintained a positive attitude and put in a hard days work, day after day. I would be honored to serve with your personnel in the future.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brad Zlendick".

Brad Zlendick
Battalion Chief, Training
Lake Valley Fire District
530-577-3737

INCIDENT PERSONNEL PERFORMANCE RATING		INSTRUCTIONS: The immediate job supervisor will prepare this form for each subordinate. It will be delivered to the planning section before the rater leaves the fire. Rating will be reviewed with employee who will sign at the bottom.																		
THIS RATING IS TO BE USED ONLY FOR DETERMINING AN INDIVIDUAL'S PERFORMANCE																				
1. Name Jeff Knox									2. Fire Name and Number Humboldt Complex CA HUU 005606 others listed below											
3. Home Unit (address) Truckee Meadows FPD									4. Location of Fire (address) Eel River Camp, Redway, CA											
5. Fire Position ENGB					6. Date of Assignment From: 8/9/15 To: 8/24/15					7. Acres Burned				8. Fuel Type(s)						
9. Evaluation																				
<p>Enter X under appropriate rating number and under proper heading for each category listed. Definition for each rating number follows:</p> <p>0 - Deficient. Does not meet minimum requirements of the individual element. DEFICIENCIES MUST BE IDENTIFIED IN REMARKS.</p> <p>1 - Needs to improve. Meets some or most of the requirements of the individual element. IDENTIFY IMPROVEMENT NEEDED IN REMARKS.</p> <p>2 - Satisfactory. Employee meets all requirements of the individual element.</p> <p>3 - Superior. Employee consistently exceeds the performance requirements.</p>																				
Rating Factors					Hot Line				Mop-Up				Camp				Other (specify)			
					0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3
Knowledge of the job												X				X				
Ability to obtain performance												X				X				
Attitude												X				X				
Decisions under stress												X				X				
Initiative												X				X				
Consideration for personnel welfare												X				X				
Obtain necessary equipment and supplies												X				X				
Physical ability for the job												X				X				
Safety												X				X				
Other (specify) Interpersonal skills												X				X				
10. Remarks Captain Knox is a very strong and experienced Captain who provided a positive attitude and great work ethic. His crew was certainly a go to crew. Thank you Mad River Complex CA SRF 001433 Jerusalem Fire CA LNU 007410 South Complex CA SHF 002108																				
11. Employee (signature) This rating has been discussed with me																12. Date				
13. Rated By (signature)					14. Home Unit (address) LAV					15. Position of Fire STEN					16. Date 8/30/15					

Thank you to all
the fire fighters who
responded to my home
on the night of 8/23.

Thank you for saving the
things you were able to
save from the fire. You
all are amazing people
who put your lives on the
line to save others and
I want to make sure you
know how much you mean
to my family and myself.

Thanks, Para, Garrick
& LJ

Truckee Meadows Fire
Protection District
Station 17
500 Rockwell Blvd
Spanish Springs, NV
89441



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Spanish Springs HS
Cougars Battalion



Dear Fire Department,

Thank you for letting the Cougar Battalion use your dryers for drying the towels for our fall car wash. We greatly appreciate your continued support of our battalion.

Sincerely,
The Cougar Cadets

Cadet Lieutenant Colonel
Battalion Commander, *V. Simpson*



TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT MONTHLY REPORT

August 2015

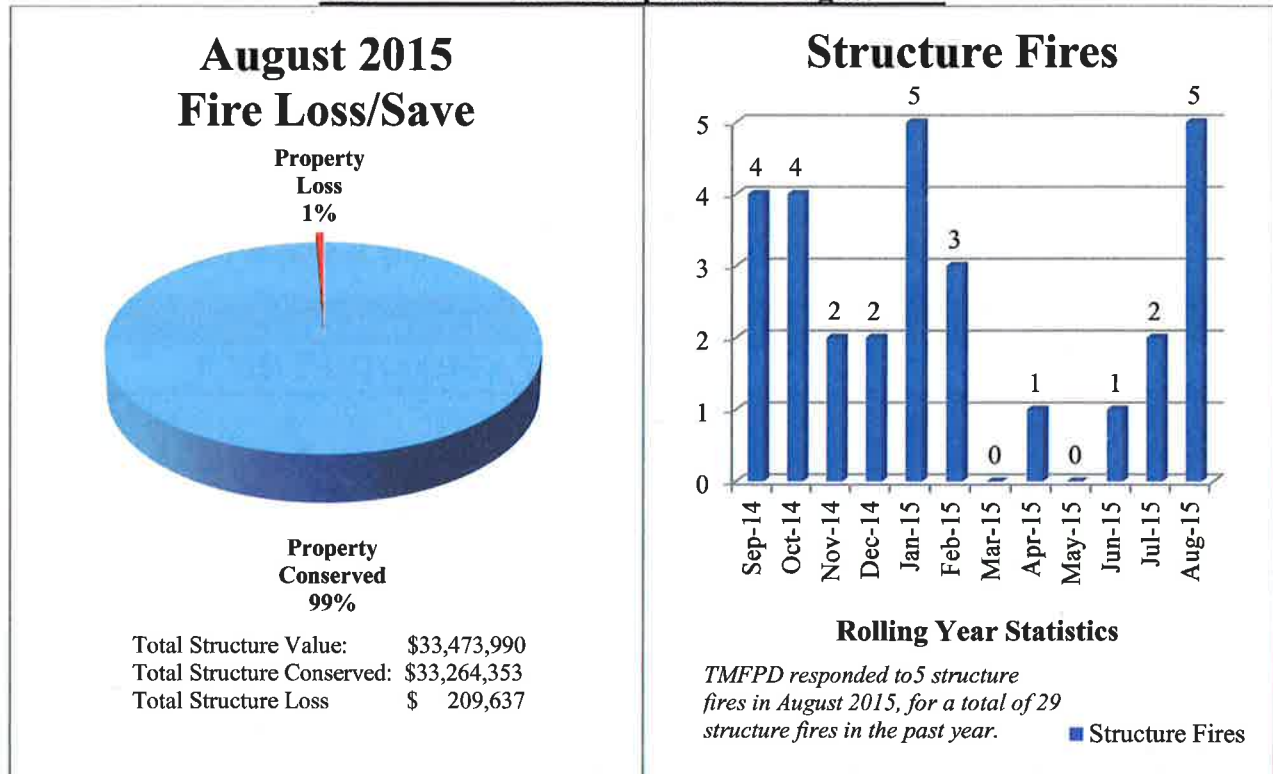
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Wildland Fire	4	1	1		4		1		5				16
Vehicle/Trash/Other Fire	1		3		1	1		1			2		9
Emergency Medical Services	58	27	139	27	110	41	7	19	23	13	6	2	472
Motor Vehicle Accident	5	7	16	3	11	2		4	4	2	3	2	59
Rescue													0
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Good Intent Call	9	8	29	2	17	1	7	2	4	15	3	9	106
Activated Fire Alarm	1	2	3		5	2		5	5				23
Severe Weather Related			1								10		11
Other						1							1
AUGUST 2015 TOTAL	93	48	225	34	164	48	16	34	40	37	12	26	777
AUGUST 2014 TOTAL	93	68	201	35	168	70	6	40	38	46	18	46	829

In the month of August, 2015 the TMFPD responded to 777 incidents, for a cumulative total of 8,381 incidents in the past twelve months.

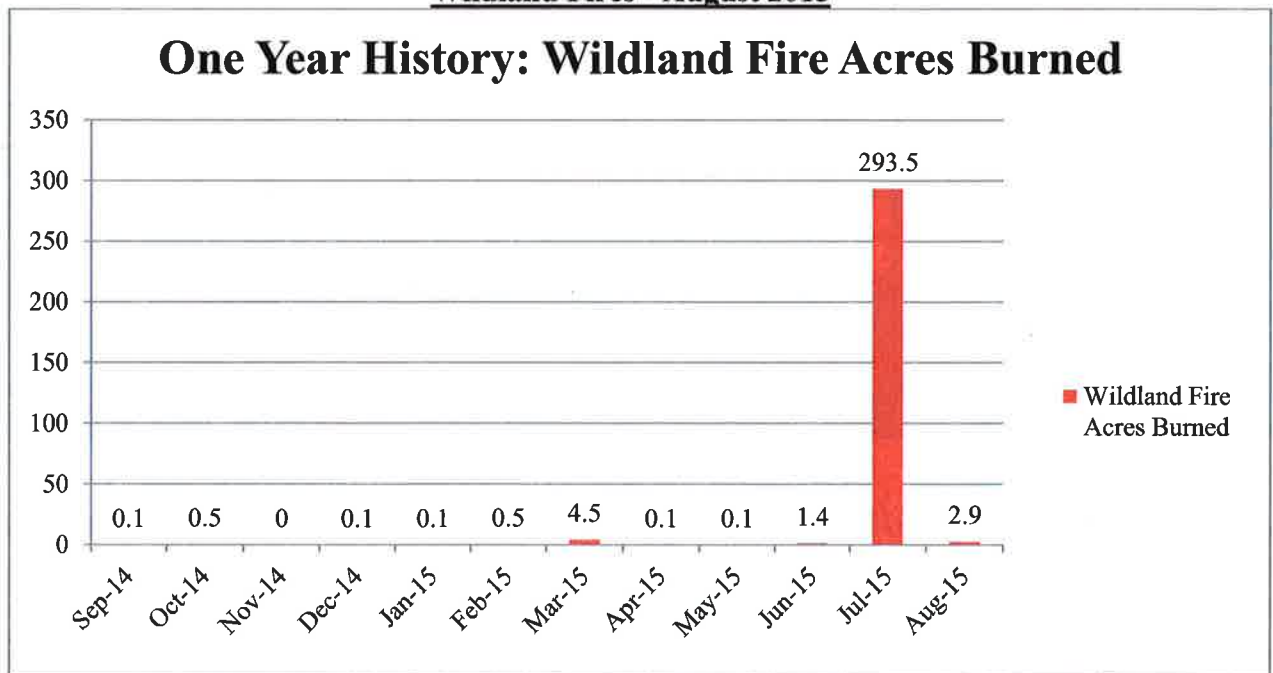
AGENDA ITEM #6B

Fire Loss to Value Comparison – August 2015



**Includes incidents only in Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District. Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid calls are excluded from this graph.*

Wildland Fires - August 2015



In the month of August 2015, 2.9 acres were burned. As of August 31, 2015, 303.8 acres burned in the past twelve months.

Mutual Aid Given and Received - August 2015

Mutual Aid Given & Received by Department		
DEPARTMENT	AID GIVEN	AID RECEIVED
Bureau of Land Management	1	1
California Department of Forestry	1	0
Carson City FD	5	0
Eastfork FD	0	0
Nevada Division of Forestry	1	0
North Lake Tahoe FPD	0	0
North Lyon County FPD	0	1
Pyramid Lake Fire	3	2
Reno FD	3	3
Reno/Sparks Indian Colony	3	0
Sierra County, CA	0	0
Sparks FD	0	7
Storey County FPD	0	3
Truckee Fire, CA	0	0
US Forest Service	8	0
TOTAL	25	17

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Station 35 – Mogul	5	Herman
Station 36 – Arrowcreek	2	Lucey
Station 37 – Hidden Valley	2	Lucey
Station 39 – Galena Forest	2	Lucey

Stations are predominantly within the Commissioner's District as listed above.

Incidents:

In August, TMFPD provided resources on the following fires outside our jurisdiction:

HUUCLA Fire
WHISKEY SPRINGS/Palomino Fire
REDDING Fire
DODGE Fire/RAVENDALE (10,500 acres)
RIVER Complex
JERUSALEM Fire
EAGLE 2 Fire
TEE PEE SPRINGS, Idaho
MAD RIVER Complex
WALKER Incident
SOUTH Complex



TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT MONTHLY REPORT

Electrical Storm – TMFPD Northern Battalion; Red Rock, Palomino Valley, Spanish Springs, Sun Valley, Rattlesnake Mountain, Lemmon Valley and Antelope Valley Commissioner Districts 3, 4, and 5
Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid received from Sparks Fire and Reno Fire

On August 1st the North Valleys experienced a significant and prolonged lightning event, so significant that the National Weather Service reported over 5,000 lightning strikes in the region. In a 90-minute period, TMFPD crews responded to over 30 reports for wildland fires, two structure fires (which were later downgraded), and a number of medical emergencies. Several TMFPD units were responding simultaneously from one incident to another, while ensuring that all areas remained covered. Sparks Fire and Reno Fire were utilized to assist TMFPD units with the structure fire responses. All of the wildland fires were either extinguished by rain, or held to less than one-half acre by responding crews.

5 TM Engines, 5 TM Brush Trucks, 1 TM Training Captain, 2 TM Battalion Chiefs, 1 TM Deputy Chief, as well as Sparks, Reno and Volunteer units responded to this series of incidents.

Structure Fire – Station 36 (Arrowcreek); Cherrywood Dr.
Commissioner District 2
2 in/2 out Required
Mutual Aid Received from Sparks Fire Prevention

On August 10th at 01:25 hours, crews were dispatched to a report of a structure fire. On arrival of first units the garage was fully involved and had already collapsed. Fire was suppressed and damage to the living area was limited to smoke and water damage, however damage to the attic and roof resulted in the home being declared uninhabitable. Crews took care to place salvage covers over furniture, close closet doors and move valuables to save much of the family's belongings.

4 TM Engines, 1 Training Captain, 1 TM Battalion Chief and 1 Sparks Fire Prevention responded to this incident.

Wildland Fire – Station 30 (West Washoe Valley); I-580 and Bellevue Rd.
Commissioner District 2
Automatic Aid was provided to Nevada Division of Forestry

On August 12th at 18:00 hours, crews responded to a wildland fire east of the 580 freeway, 1 mile south of the Bellevue exit. Upon arrival crews found a grass fire burning in moderate to heavy grass and willows with a moderate rate of spread being pushed by west winds at 15 to 20

mph. Units anchored off of the freeway and conducted a mobile attack in order to stop the spread of the fire at just over one acre. After the fire was contained it was determined that the fire was in NDF jurisdiction, and the scene was turned over to them.

3 TM Brush Trucks, 2 TM Water Tenders, 1 TM Battalion Chief, 2 South Valley Volunteer Units and 2 NDF units responded to this incident.

Motor Vehicle Accident with Extrication – Station 37 (Hidden Valley); I-80 past Derby Dam

Commissioner District 5

Automatic Aid Received from Storey County Fire

On August 13th at 08:22 hours, TMFPD Engine 37 and Storey County Fire Engine 75 were dispatched to a report of a vehicle accident with a partially ejected occupant. Storey County arrived first on scene, advising they had one occupant trapped under the vehicle and were beginning extrication procedures. NHP Troopers and Union Pacific Railroad workers assisted with lifting the vehicle off of the victim. The freeway was closed down for over 30 minutes while Careflight was on the ground attending to the patient, who unfortunately did not survive the accident.

1 Storey County Engine, 2 TM Engines, 1 TM Heavy Rescue, 1 TM Training Captain, and 1 TM Battalion Chief responded to this incident. TM crews had no patient contact.

Structure Fire – Station 15 (Sun Valley); East 6th Ave.

Commissioner District 3

2 in/ 2 out not required

On August 16th at 17:38 hours, crews responded to a single wide mobile home with a fire burning outside and spreading to the trailer. The source of the fire was an overheated evaporative cooler. Crews contained the fire to the exterior of the trailer, which sustained minimal damage to the siding and a broken window.

4 TM Engines, 1 TM Training Captain and 1 TM Battalion Chief responded to this incident.

HAZMAT – Station 17 (Spanish Springs); Blue Skies Dr.

Commissioner District 4

Mutual Aid received from Sparks HAZMAT

On August 19th at 10:22 hours, TM Crews responded to a possible Hazmat incident in District 17 for a report of dumping of an unknown substance in a public space. 8 bottles of varying size were sealed and placed in a shoe box, with the liquids visibly separated by a milky substance between the two types of liquid in each bottle. The location of the box was in a ditch separating the City of Sparks and TMFPD, and had been reported by a citizen who regularly walks the area and noticed the box was not there earlier in the day. The TMFPD and Sparks Fire members of the TRIAD Regional Hazmat Team responded in order to test the substance and rule out any

hazardous materials. A Washoe County Health District representative was also called to the scene to handle clean up and disposal after identification was made. The substance was determined to be a non-hazardous substance and turned over to the Health District without incident.

2 TM Engines, 1 TM Hazmat Unit, 1 Sparks Fire Hazmat Unit, and 1 TM Battalion Chief responded to this incident.

Structure Fire – Station 15 (Sun Valley); Woods Dr.

Commissioner District 3

2 in/ 2 out required

Automatic Aid received from Sparks Fire

On August 19th at 20:07 hours crews responded to a report of a structure fire in Sun Valley. Crews arrived to find a small fire burning in the crawl space of a residence. Crews prevented the fire from extending into the residence and extinguished the fire in the crawl space. The home suffered minor smoke damage but sustained moderate damage to electrical and plumbing under the home.

3 TM Engines, 1 Sparks Fire Engine, 1 TM Training Captain, 1 TM Battalion Chief, and 1 Lemmon Valley Volunteer unit responded to this incident.

Structure Fire – Station 17 (Spanish Springs); Eagle Canyon Dr.

Commissioner District 4

2 in/ 2 out not required

Automatic Aid received from Sparks Fire

On August 20th at 13:05 hours, crews were dispatched to a reported fire alarm activation with a water flow alarm at Spanish Springs High School. A fire started in a classroom and the school's sprinkler system activated and extinguished the fire as it is designed to do. The school was evacuated and crews worked to minimize water damage and remove smoke from the classroom and hallways.

2 TM Engines, 1 Sparks Engine, 1 TM Battalion Chief and 1 TM Fire Prevention responded to this incident.

Wildland Fire – Station 37 (Hidden Valley); Pembroke Dr.

Commissioner District 2

Mutual Aid provided by Reno Fire

On August 23rd at 16:31 hours, two citizens report to Station 37 that there were vehicles on fire near the golf course. Crews responded to the area, which was also being reported by dispatch. TM crews were able to quickly place a wet line around the fire and extinguish all hot spots. The

source of the fire was a bird's nest on high voltage connectors, which arced the power line. Reno Fire also sent a response as the jurisdiction was in question, but were cancelled on arrival due to the fire being extinguished and the jurisdiction determined to belong to TMFPD.

3 TM Engines, 1 TM Training Captain, 1 TM Battalion Chief, and 1 Reno Engine, 1 Reno Brush, and 1 Reno Battalion Chief responded to this incident.

**Structure Fire – Station 17 (Spanish Springs); Nightingale Way
Commissioner District 4**

2 in/ 2 out required

Automatic Aid received from Sparks Fire

On August 23rd at 23:38 hours, crews were dispatched to a structure fire in Spanish Springs. Crews arrived to find heavy fire conditions which started on the deck of the home, and had spread into the kitchen and attic space. The occupants woke up to flames glowing through their windows, and had escaped the building safely. Crews achieved loss stop at 00:25 hours, and after completing salvage and overhaul operations, they remained on scene gathering pictures and personal items for the family as requested.

5 TM Engines, 1 TM Training Captain, 1 TM Battalion Chief, 1 TM Fire Prevention and 1 Sparks Engine responded to this incident.

**Structure Fire – Pyramid Lake Reservation, Sutcliffe; Desert Flower Dr.
Commissioner District 5**

2 in/ 2 out required

Automatic Aid Provided to Pyramid Lake Fire

On August 30th at 23:25 hours, crews were dispatched to a reported structure fire in Sutcliffe. Pyramid Lake 4301 responded first on scene in his personal vehicle and reported an attic fire with heavy smoke and flames, ensured evacuation and utilities were secured, and began applying water with a garden hose. Pyramid Lake Patrol 241 arrived at 23:43 hours and began fire attack with 4301. The TMFPD Battalion Chief arrived on scene and assumed Desert Flower command. At this time there was heavy fire coming from the attic, which was partially collapsed in the center, and arriving crews were advised this was a defensive attack operation and crews were not to enter the building. Crews deployed ladders to get an angle to direct water into the fire instead of on the roof. Knockdown was reported at 00:18.

3 TM Engines, 1 TM Water Tender, 1 TM Training Captain, 1 TM Battalion Chief, 2 Pyramid Lake Patrol Units and 1 Wadsworth Engine responded to this incident.

Training

- Hosted Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) Classes
- Confined Space Trailer Training
- Quarterly SCBA Training
- SCBA Voice Amplifier Training
- TRIAD Hazmat Training
- New Type III Brush Truck Training
- Hosted Type III Operations and Driver Training for Palomino VFD
- Company Level Training
- EMS Training: Respiratory Systems
- EMS Training: EMS Patients with Special Needs
- Type III Model 34 Operations
- REMSA Simulator Lab Training

Accomplishments

- Letter of Commendation from Lake Valley Fire Protection District (attached)
- Letter of Appreciation regarding TMFPD Leadership from TMFPD Captain Taylor
- Provided Support for the Washoe County Employee Picnic
- Hosted 3 Ride Alongs for New Dispatch Employees



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September 2015

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Wildland Fire	2	1	2			2	1					1	9
Vehicle/Trash/Other Fire			3		1		2		1			2	9
Emergency Medical Services	68	32	157	17	94	65	6	12	30	13	7	7	508
Motor Vehicle Accident	8	4	10	1	9	1	2	4		6	5	1	51
Rescue													0
Haz-Mat/Hazardous Condition		2	2	2	2		1	1					10
Public Assist	10	1	11	3	14	4		5	1	5	1	2	57
Good Intent Call	11	8	23	3	11	3	5	2	1	12	7	2	88
Activated Fire Alarm	2	3	3		2	3	1	2	3	1	1		21
Severe Weather Related													0
Other	1												1
SEPTEMBER 2015 TOTAL	103	51	213	26	134	78	18	26	35	39	21	15	759
SEPTEMBER 2014 TOTAL	84	51	192	37	129	49	5	32	35	44	16	40	714

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AGENDA ITEM #6B

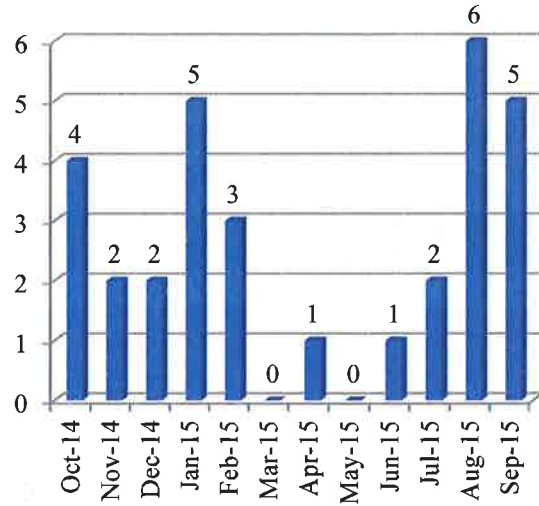
Fire Loss to Value Comparison – September 2015

September 2015 Fire Loss/Save



Total Structure Value: \$ 235,044
Total Structure Conserved: \$ 150,843
Total Structure Loss \$ 84,201

Structure Fires



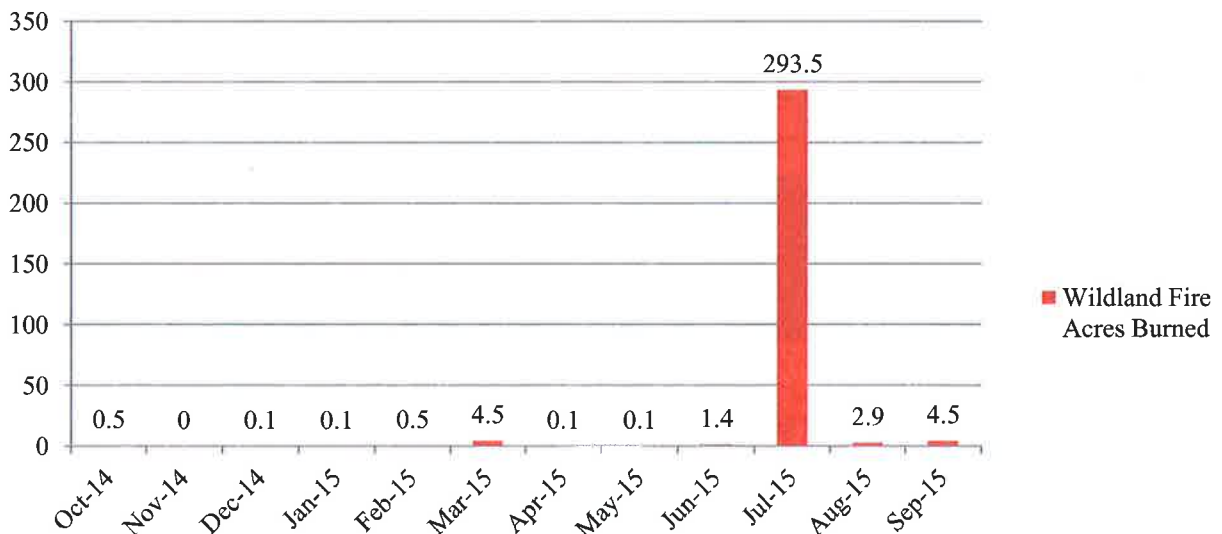
Rolling Year Statistics

TMFPD responded to 5 structure fires in September 2015, for a total of 31 structure fires in the past year. ■ Structure Fires

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Wildland Fires - September 2015

One Year History: Wildland Fire Acres Burned



In the month of September 2015, 4.5 acres were burned. As of September 30, 2015, 308.2 acres burned in the past twelve months.

Mutual Aid Given and Received - September 2015

Mutual Aid Given & Received by Department		
DEPARTMENT	AID GIVEN	AID RECEIVED
Bureau of Land Management	3	0
California Department of Forestry	0	0
Carson City FD	0	1
Eastfork FD	0	0
Nevada Division of Forestry	0	1
North Lake Tahoe FPD	0	2
North Lyon County FPD	0	2
Pyramid Lake Fire	1	1
Reno FD	2	2
Reno/Sparks Indian Colony	0	0
Sierra County, CA	0	0
Sparks FD	6	3
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Truckee Fire, CA	1	0
US Forest Service	0	1
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Station 37 – Hidden Valley	2	Lucey
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Incidents:

Wildland Fire; near Boomtown

Commissioner District 5

Mutual Aid provided to Reno Fire

A TM Water Tender was requested by Reno Fire to aid in suppression efforts on a wildland fire near Boomtown Garson Road. Water Tender 30 responded and arrived on scene without incident. The TM Equipment Operator used the Water Tender and operated a nearby hydrant to resupply several Reno Fire apparatus with water throughout the incident. TM resources were released from the scene after approximately 4 hours of providing support.

1 TM Water Tender responded to this incident.

**Structure Fire – Station 15 (Sun Valley); Ranch Ct.
Commissioner District 5
2 in/ 2 out Required**

On September 8th at 10:48 hours, crews were dispatched to a structure fire on Ranch Ct. Upon arrival crews found a single family dwelling with the attached garage fully involved and a vehicle in the driveway on fire as well. The occupant and his dogs were safe in the backyard of the property. During topside ventilation operations, an area that was improperly constructed gave way, resulting in the firefighter falling through the roof by one leg. He was pulled back up by a fellow firefighter and fortunately there was no injury. The fire was knocked down at 11:03.

4 TM Engines, 1 TM Battalion Chief, and 1 TM Prevention responded to this incident.

**Wildland Fire – Station 15 (Sun Valley); above Wildcreek Golf Course
Commissioner District 5
Automatic Aid received from Sparks
Automatic Aid provided to BLM**

On September 11th at 19:25 hours, crews were dispatched to a report of an illegal burn on the TMFPD/Sparks jurisdictional border. The TM Battalion Chief was the first arriving unit and upgraded the alarm to a brush fire about 1/10 acre. The Battalion Chief hiked up the ridge above Wildcreek Golf Course and began hot-lining the fire to stop the forward progression, successfully knocking down the fire. TMFPD and Sparks crews arrived on scene and assisted with mop up. It was later determined that the jurisdiction belonged to BLM.

1TM Brush Engine, 1 Sparks Patrol, and 1 TM Battalion Chief responded to this incident.

**Natural Gas Leak – Station 16 (East Washoe Valley); Travel Way
Commissioner District 2**

On September 12th at 12:31 hours, crews were dispatched to a report of a natural gas leak. Crews arrived to find a mechanical trenching device had ruptured the gas line before the meter, and thus could not be shut off. Crews secured any sources of ignition and evacuated residents to a remote location. A protection line was established until Southwest Gas arrived to secure the leak.

2 TM Engines, 1 TM Water Tender, 1 Training Captain, 1 Battalion Chief, and 1 South Valleys VFD Patrol unit responded to this incident.

**Structure Fire – Station 15 (Sun Valley); Spears Ct.
Commissioner District 3
2 in/ 2 out Not Required**

On September 17th at 19:48 hours, crews responded to a structure fire. Units arrived to find a fully involved detached garage. Crews established a water supply from the nearest hydrant using a 3" line, and completed knockdown and overhaul.

4 TM Engines, 1 TM Fire Prevention and 1 TM Battalion Chief responded to this incident.

Motor Vehicle Accident w/ Extrication – Station 37 (Hidden Valley);

I-80 East of Painted Rock Exit

Commissioner District 4

Automatic Aid received by Storey County Fire, North Lyon County Fire and Pyramid Lake

On September 20th at 04:48 hours, units were dispatched to a single vehicle extrication accident on I-80 east of the Painted Rock Exit. North Lyon County and Storey County arrived first on scene to find a semi-tractor had overturned, dumping its load and completely blocking I-80. Two other vehicles collided into the underside of the trailer, injuring both drivers. The driver of the tractor was uninjured, but the passenger in the sleeper cab was ejected and pronounced deceased on arrival of the first unit on scene. The truck was leaking fuel from a 100 gallon diesel tank, and crews built a dam in order to contain the 35 gallons of fuel that had leaked from the tractor. More crews packaged the patients and assisted loading for REMSA transport. The fuel leak was mitigated and Hazmat 14 assisted the tow company with righting the tractor and inspecting/verifying that no more fuel was leaking once the tractor was returned onto its wheels. Pyramid Lake and North Lyon County provided coverage for the Wadsworth area until the road could be reopened. The incident lasted more than six hours.

2 TM Engines, 1 TM Hazmat, 1 TM Training Captain, 1 TM Battalion Chief, and crews from North Lyon and Storey Counties responded to this incident.

Wildland Fire – Station 14 (Damonte Ranch); Schellbourne

Commissioner District 2

Automatic Aid received from Nevada Division of Forestry and USFS

On September 21st at 10:48 hours, crews were dispatched to a wildland fire caused by a bird strike to the insulators of the power lines. Electrical contractors witnessed the incident and took suppression action immediately. Crews arrived on scene and worked to head off forward progression of the fire. Interagency cooperation of 48 crew members from 4 agencies was excellent, and provided successful suppression of the fire which was knocked down at just over 4 acres. Crews later returned to repair the fence and gate locks to the pasture.

3 TM Brush Engines, 2 TM Water Tenders, 1 TM Training Captain and 1 TM Battalion Chief, along with crews from Eastern Sierra, Nevada Division of Forestry and the US Forest Service responded to this incident.

**Structure Fire – Station 13 (Stead); Elizabeth Dr.
Commissioner District 5
2 in/ 2 out Required**

On September 21st at 22:27 hours, units were dispatched to a structure fire on Elizabeth Dr. Upon arrival crews found a single wide trailer heavily involved with exposures on both sides. An aggressive interior attack was made and the fire was contained to the trailer.

4 TM Engines, 1 TM Training Captain, and 1 TM Battalion Chief responded to this incident.

**Motor Vehicle Accident – Station 14 (Damonte Ranch); Geiger Grade
Commissioner District 2**

Automatic Aid received from Storey County

On September 25th at 18:18 hours, a single motorcycle rider slid off the roadway while traveling downhill and into the mountainside. The patient was stable, however had experienced a significant head injury. The accident stopped traffic in both directions for over 30 minutes. Engine 36 and 1 TM Battalion Chief provided patient care, requesting permission from REMSA for Storey County to transport the patient given the traffic conditions. The patient was cared for and loaded up in the Storey ambulance for transport while TM crews worked with law enforcement to clear the scene and get traffic moving.

1 TM Engine, 1 TM Battalion Chief, and 1 Storey County Ambulance responded to this incident.

**Wildland Fire – Station 18 (Cold Springs); Peterson Mountains
Commissioner District 5
Automatic Aid provided to BLM**

On September 26th at 17:57 hours, crews responded to a reported wildland fire north of Cold Springs in the Peterson Mountains, with limited access via a two-track road. The fire was located in BLM jurisdiction, and due to the approaching sunset, RAVEN could not be dispatched as RAVEN cannot fly after sunset. Rock outcroppings helped to prevent uphill progression of the fire, and crews were able to focus suppression efforts on the lower area of the 94 acre fire until the fire was knocked down.

3 TM Water Tenders, 2 TM Brush Engines, 1 TM Training Captain, 1 TM Battalion Chief, 1 TM Deputy Chief, and 1 unit from Silver Lake Volunteer Fire Department responded to this incident.

**EMS Rescue – Station 37 (Hidden Valley)
Commissioner District 2**

On September 26th at 21:57 hours, crews responded to a medical emergency and rescue of a 6 year old child who had his arm caught in a meat grinder while helping a family member make elk sausage. The child's arm was engaged nearly to the elbow. Crews kept the child calm during the assessment and stabilization of the situation. It was clear the child's arm could not be

extricated from the device, so the TM Captain got a head start to alert the Emergency Room and to show ER personnel pictures of the difficult circumstance of the injuries so that they could formulate a plan of treatment. At the same time, two TM crew members assisted REMSA with stabilizing the patient and maintaining pressure throughout transport to the hospital. The patient was kept as comfortable as possible and crews played video of Sponge Bob to keep the child occupied. The child was in surgery less than 10 minutes after the ambulance's arrival to the ER, and the TM Captain remained at the hospital to assist the MD with technical support with the meat grinder. The outstanding cooperation between Engine 37 and the REMSA crew brought about the best conceivable outcome for the patient and his family. The TM Captain sent a letter of commendation regarding the REMSA crew on their clear thinking and thorough patient care throughout this incident.

1 TM Engine responded to this incident.

Training

- TRIAD Hazmat Training
- Careflight Training Using New Communication Guideline
- Hosted Type III Operations and Driver Training for Palomino VFD
- Hosted Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) Classes
- First Responder: Autism Training
- EMS Training – Date Rape Drugs
- EMS Training – Burn Management
- EMS Training – Drug Free Workplace
- EMS Training – Aquatic Emergencies
- EMS Training – Health and Wellness
- Workplace Harassment
- Annual Emergency Vehicle Operations Skills Course
- SCBA Confined Space Training
- Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) Refresher
- Hosted Palomino VFD Equipment Operations Training
- 5-Gas Monitor Repair Training
- Internal Paramedic Assessments Completed for 8 Personnel

Accomplishments

- Provided Support for the Great Reno Balloon Race
- Provided Support for the Cross Reno Bike Race
- Provided an Engine for the American Cancer Society BIG DIG Event
- Provided Support for the Rotary Club of Reno Sunrise's Edible Pedal 100 Bicycle Ride
- Provided Support for the Reno Galena Fest
- Engine 36 (Arrowcreek) Provided a Community Helper Lesson for Students at Hunsberger Elementary
- Engine 17 (Spanish Springs) Provided a Fire Safety Discussion with Students at Discoveries Preschool
- Engine 15 Hosted a Ride Along for a Medic
- ePCR medical software upgrade initiated in conjunction with North Lake Tahoe Fire
- Several Defensible Space Inspections Performed
- Repaired and fence and gate locks from a Wildland Fire on the Ballardini Ranch
- Public Education Hosted by Station 30 (West Washoe Valley)



VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT

August 2015

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Monthly Call Volume by Station & Type												
STATION/DISTRICT												
VOLUNTEER RESPONSE: INCIDENT TYPE	220, 321 - Cold Springs VFD	221 - Silver Lake VFD	223, 331 - Lenmon Valley VFD	225 - Wadsworth (Pyramid Lake VFD)	227, 237 - South Valleys VFD	229 - Palomino Valley	240 - Red Rock VFD	242 - Gerlach VFD	301 - South Valleys VFD	351 - Verdi VFD	381 - Galena VFD	TOTAL
Structure Fire												0
Wildland Fire		2	2	1	1	2			1			9
Vehicle/Trash/Other Fire	1		1				4					6
Emergency Medical Services			3		1		1	2				7
Motor Vehicle Accident	1	1			1		3					6
Rescue												0
HazMat/Hazardous Condition												0
Public Assist			2									2
Good Intent Call			1		1		6					8
Activated Fire Alarm												0
Severe Weather Related												0
Lightning Plan												0
Other												0
AUGUST 2015 TOTAL	2	3	9	1	3	3	15	1	0	0		38

In the month of August, 2015 the Truckee Meadows Volunteers responded to 38 incidents. (Wadsworth Volunteers now operate under Pyramid Lake Volunteer Fire Department. Incidents listed for the Wadsworth Volunteer Station 225 are specific to responses in the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District boundary, and do not include responses into tribal territory.)

AGENDA ITEM #6C

SIGNIFICANT INCIDENTS

Significant incidents for the month are reported below. The number of incidents reported in the Call Volume Table may not exactly match the narrative provided below; i.e. a structure fire that is limited to a small out building is reported in the Call Volume, however it does not warrant inclusion below.

Incidents:

**Electrical Storm – TMFPD Northern Battalion; Red Rock, Palomino Valley, Spanish Springs, Sun Valley, Rattlesnake Mountain, Lemmon Valley and Antelope Valley
Commissioner Districts 3, 4, and 5**

Mutual Aid and Automatic Aid received from Sparks Fire and Reno Fire

On August 1st the North Valleys experienced a significant and prolonged lightning event, so significant that the National Weather Service reported over 5,000 lightning strikes in the region. In a 90-minute period, TMFPD crews responded to over 30 reports for wildland fires, two structure fires (which were later downgraded), and a number of medical emergencies. Several TMFPD units were responding simultaneously from one incident to another, while ensuring that all areas remained covered. Sparks Fire and Reno Fire were utilized to assist TMFPD units with the structure fire responses. All of the wildland fires were either extinguished by rain, or held to less than one-half acre by responding crews.

5 TM Engines, 5 TM Brush Trucks, 1 TM Training Captain, 2 TM Battalion Chiefs, 1 TM Deputy Chief, as well as Sparks, Reno and Volunteer units responded to this series of incidents.

**Wildland Fire – Station 30 (West Washoe Valley); I-580 and Bellevue Rd.
Commissioner District 2**

Automatic Aid was provided to Nevada Division of Forestry

On August 12th at 18:00 hours, crews responded to a wildland fire east of the 580 freeway, 1 mile south of the Bellevue exit. Upon arrival crews found a grass fire burning in moderate to heavy grass and willows with a moderate rate of spread being pushed by west winds at 15 to 20 mph. Units anchored off of the freeway and conducted a mobile attack in order to stop the spread of the fire at just over one acre. After the fire was contained it was determined that the fire was in NDF jurisdiction, and the scene was turned over to them.

3 TM Brush Trucks, 2 TM Water Tenders, 1 TM Battalion Chief, 2 South Valley Volunteer Units and 2 NDF units responded to this incident.

**Structure Fire – Station 15 (Sun Valley); Woods Dr.
Commissioner District 3
2 in/ 2 out required
Automatic Aid received from Sparks Fire**

On August 19th at 20:07 hours crews responded to a report of a structure fire in Sun Valley. Crews arrived to find a small fire burning in the crawl space of a residence. Crews prevented the fire from extending into the residence and extinguished the fire in the crawl space. The home suffered minor smoke damage but sustained moderate damage to electrical and plumbing under the home.

3 TM Engines, 1 Sparks Fire Engine, 1 TM Training Captain, 1 TM Battalion Chief, and 1 Lemmon Valley Volunteer unit responded to this incident.

**Structure Fire – Pyramid Lake Reservation, Sutcliffe; Desert Flower Dr.
Commissioner District 5
2 in/ 2 out required
Automatic Aid Provided to Pyramid Lake Fire**

On August 30th at 23:25 hours, crews were dispatched to a reported structure fire in Sutcliffe. Pyramid Lake 4301 responded first on scene in his personal vehicle and reported an attic fire with heavy smoke and flames, ensured evacuation and utilities were secured, and began applying water with a garden hose. Pyramid Lake Patrol 241 arrived at 23:43 hours and began fire attack with 4301. The TMFPD Battalion Chief arrived on scene and assumed Desert Flower command. At this time there was heavy fire coming from the attic, which was partially collapsed in the center, and arriving crews were advised this was a defensive attack operation and crews were not to enter the building. Crews deployed ladders to get an angle to direct water into the fire instead of on the roof. Knockdown was reported at 00:18.

3 TM Engines, 1 TM Water Tender, 1 TM Training Captain, 1 TM Battalion Chief, 2 Pyramid Lake Patrol Units and 1 Wadsworth Engine responded to this incident.

TRAINING AND ACTIVITY

STATION	ACTIVITY	CREWS	HOURS PER	TOTAL HOURS
Cold Springs VFD	SCBA Drill utilizing the confined space trailer. R. Levine and D. Hildebrandt were in attendance with the air truck. Hildebrandt received an inservice on the use of the truck.	4	2	8
	Vehicle inspection and pump overhaul on 6x6	6	2.5	15
	SCBA Competency-Classroom	1	2	2
	CECBEMS Patients with Special Challenges	1	1	1
Cold Springs Total				26
Galena VFD	NFPA 1001 Firefighting Foams	1	1	1
Galena VFD				1
Gerlach VFD Total				0
Lemmon Valley VFD	After viewing the video on FIRE SHELTERS, members performed there quarterly proficiency using practice shelters.Discussion on current weather conditions and the 10 day outlook;Covered daily 6 MINUTES OF SAFETY topic for the day	5	2	10
	Discussed district policy on Open Burning and burning regulations with a couple of the residents of the community that stopped by to inquire when they can burn. Continued the topic for training afterwards. Topics included: When is open burning allowed; what is required by homeowner when issued a burn permit; what homeowner is allowed to burn; what is prohibited from being burned.	3	2	6
	Drove district, noting addresses on area map for vehicles, along with location of hydrants	2	2	4
	SCBA drill utilizing the confined space trailer	2	2	4
	SCBA Drill utilizing the confined space trailer. R. Levine and D. Hildebrandt were in attendance with the air truck. Hildebrandt received an inservice on the use of the truck.	1	2	2
	Using B 223 in back of Station 223, worked on deploying of cross lays, and reloading hose into hose bed. Training short due to response to structure fire. Assisted E17 in reloading of 5 hose.	7	1	7
	Monthly department business meeting; Outline training for the month; Discuss information relating to the district	6	2.5	15
	SCBA Air Consumption Drill	1	2	2
	SCBA Competency-Classroom	2	2	4
	SCBA Competency-Practical	1	2	2

Lemmon Valley VFD, Cont'd	CECBEMS Communication and Documentation	1	1	1
	CECBEMS Hazard Communication	1	1	1
	CECBEMS Head & Facial Injuries Advanced	1	1	1
	CECBEMS HIV/AIDS Awareness	1	2	2
	CECBEMS Orotracheal Intubation	1	1	1
	Confined-Space Entry	1	1	1
Lemmon Valley VFD Total				63
Palomino Valley VFD	Vehicle Checks	1	3.5	3.5
	Department Meeting	1	2	2
	Ebola Infection Control	1	0.5	0.5
	Fire Shelter Practical	1	2	2
	SCBA Air Consumption Drill	1	2	2
	The First Responder's Role in Fire Investigation	1	0.5	0.5
	First Responder Operations Level Refresher (MOD #1)	1	2	2
	First Responder Operations Level Refresher (MOD #2)	1	2	2
	First Responder Operations Level Refresher (MOD #3)	1	2	2
	Hazard Communication	1	1	1
	NFPA 1001 Fire Detection, Alarm & Suppression Systems	1	1	1
	NFPA 1500 Respiratory Protection	1	1	1
Palomino Valley VFD Total				19.5
Red Rock VFD	SCBA Drill utilizing the confined space trailer. R. Levine and D. Hildebrandt were in attendance with the air truck. Hildebrandt received an inservice on the use of the truck.	1	2	2
	SCBA Competency-Classroom	2	2	4
Red Rock VFD Total				6
Silver Lake VFD	Introduction to the operation of TMFPD Airtruck. Review of power point instructions on operation and hands on drill of procedure.	1	2	2
	SCBA Drill utilizing the confined space trailer. R. Levine and D. Hildebrandt were in attendance with the air truck. Hildebrandt received an inservice on the use of the truck.	3	2	6
	SCBA Competency-Classroom	3	2	6
	SCBA Competency-Practical	2	2	4
	Type III Model 34 Wildland Units	1	8	8
Silver Lake VFD Total				26

South Valleys VFD	SCBA Drill utilizing the confined space trailer. R. Levine and D. Hildebrandt were in attendance with the air truck. Hildebrandt received an inservice on the use of the truck.	8	2	16
	Measles Review	1	0.5	0.5
	SCBA Air Consumption Drill	1	2	2
	SCBA Competency-Classroom	5	2	10
South Valleys VFD Total				28.5
Verdi VFD	SCBA Drill utilizing the confined space trailer. R. Levine and D. Hildebrandt were in attendance with the air truck. Hildebrandt received an inservice on the use of the truck.	2	2	4
	SCBA Competency-Classroom	2	2	4
Verdi VFD Total				8



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Wildland Fire		1	1				2	2				6
Vehicle/Trash/Other Fire		1	1					5	1			8
Emergency Medical Services		2	3		5		1	7	5	1	1	25
Motor Vehicle Accident		1	2		1	1		1	1			7
Rescue												0
HazMat/Hazardous Condition									1			1
Public Assist			2		2		1	2				7
Good Intent Call			1	1	3		1	5	1			12
Activated Fire Alarm												0
Severe Weather Related												0
Lightning Plan												0
Other												0
AUGUST 2015 TOTAL	0	5	11	1	11	1	5	22	9	1	1	67

In the month of September, 2015 the Truckee Meadows Volunteers responded to 67 incidents. (Wadsworth Volunteers now operate under Pyramid Lake Volunteer Fire Department. Incidents listed for the Wadsworth Volunteer Station 225 are specific to responses in the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District boundary, and do not include responses into tribal territory.)

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2 TM Engines, 1 TM Water Tender, 1 Training Captain, 1 Battalion Chief, and 1 South Valleys VFD Patrol unit responded to this incident.

Motor Vehicle Accident w/ Extrication – Station 37 (Hidden Valley); I-80 East of Painted Rock Exit Commissioner District 4

Automatic Aid received by Storey County Fire, North Lyon County Fire and Pyramid Lake

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2 TM Engines, 1 TM Hazmat, 1 TM Training Captain, 1 TM Battalion Chief, and crews from North Lyon and Storey Counties responded to this incident.

Wildland Fire – Station 18 (Cold Springs); Peterson Mountains
Commissioner District 5
Automatic Aid provided to BLM

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3 TM Water Tenders, 2 TM Brush Engines, 1 TM Training Captain, 1 TM Battalion Chief, 1 TM Deputy Chief, and 1 unit from Silver Lake Volunteer Fire Department responded to this incident.

TRAINING AND ACTIVITY

STATION	ACTIVITY	CREWS	HOURS PER	TOTAL HOURS
Cold Springs VFD	Working on and preparing safe house for fire prevention event.	4	2	8
	Working on replacing and fixing pump on 6x6.	5	2	10
	HAZMAT OPERATIONS REFRESHER	1	0.5	0.5
	CECBEMS Aquatic Emergencies	1	2	2
	CECBEMS Health & Wellness	1	1	1
	CECBEMS Respiratory System A&P Review	1	1	1
	Confined-Space Entry	1	1	1
Cold Springs Total				23.5
Galena VFD	CECBEMS Burn Management Basic	1	1	1
Galena VFD				1
Gerlach VFD	Volunteer PPE Inspection	1	1	1
	CECBEMS Pediatric Assessment	1	1	1
	CECBEMS Pediatric Emergencies Basic	1	2	2
	NFPA 1500 Confined Space Entry	1	1	1
	NFPA 1500 Respiratory Protection	1	1	1
Gerlach VFD Total				6
Lemmon Valley VFD	Watched ESSENTIALS OF FIREFIGHTING Vol. 4 & 5 Introduction to SCBA and USE & Maintenance of SCBA. Training objectives met: Functions of each component of the SCBA; Identify the safety features associated with various types of SCBAs; Potential SCBA limitations as they relate to the wearer, the equipment and air supply; Identify the IDLH environments that require the use of SCBAs; Demonstrate Donning & Doffing techniques while wearing full PPE; Inspection and care procedures for SCBAs; Demonstrate different methods for changing cylinders; Discuss safety precautions and rules for SCBA use during an emergency situation.	4	2	8
	Fire Shelter Practical	5	2	10
	SCBA Competency-Classroom	2	2	4
	CECBEMS Aquatic Emergencies	1	2	2
	CECBEMS Heat Illness and Emergencies	1	1	1
	CECBEMS HIPAA Awareness	1	1	1
	CECBEMS Kinematics of Trauma	1	1	1
	CECBEMS Obstetrical Emergencies Basic	1	1	1
	CECBEMS Patients with Special Challenges	1	1	1
	CECBEMS Respiratory System A&P Review	1	1	1

Lemmon Valley VFD, Cont'd.	RT-130: Annual Wildland Fire Safety Refresher (MOD #2)	1	2	2
	RT-130: Annual Wildland Fire Safety Refresher (MOD #3)	1	2	2
	RT-130: Annual Wildland Fire Safety Refresher (MOD #4)	1	2	2
Lemmon Valley VFD Total				36
Palomino Valley VFD	Careflight training with new guideline as well.	2	1	2
	Post ops discussion re fire call previous sunday about 50 miles south of town. Discussion focused on reasonable radius of response for the CV station. Then discussed truck inventories, lack of 1.5 wildland type gated wyes and Tee's	1	1.75	1.75
	Reviewed incident response SOPs & tender pump ops; I conducted an inventory of the 2500 gal tender and the Type 1 pumper. Typed up same and emailed to chief.	1	2	2
	26 hour FEO training program covering Type 3 and Water Tenders.	4	26	104
	Confirmed class status w/ Captain Black, emailed/texted Palomino VFD ops staff, performed pre-op checks on B-229 apparatus, drove same to EVOC course site with Ken McGuire as CDL chaperone (I have Class B/F instruction permit" only. I passed EVOC course in both B-229 and Tender-13.	1	4	4
	EVOC	2	2	4
	SCBA Competency-Classroom	1	2	2
	RT-130: Annual Wildland Fire Safety Refresher (MOD #2)	1	2	2
	RT-130: Annual Wildland Fire Safety Refresher (MOD #3)	1	2	2
Palomino Valley VFD Total				123.75
Red Rock VFD	EVOC testing for the following volunteers on vehicles with a rotation of drivers; Dave Barden - Tender 221, Engine 221 & Brush 240; Dale Hildebrandt - Tender 221; Dave Walizer - Tender 221, Engine 221 & Brush 240; Rick Warren - Tender 221, Engine 221 & Brush 240; Nancy Madisen - Patrol 221 & Brush 240; Testing records for the above are on record with Truckee Meadows Fire.	1	3	3
	Practical drill on driver alley dock and stop exercise with Tender and Engine.	1	1	1

Red Rock VFD, Cont'd	Tender 221 from Silver Lake VFD and Brush 240 from Red Rock VFD drove to the training center to practice skills for Emergency Vehicle Operators Course set required by Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District.	1	3	3
	EVOC	1	2	2
	CECBEMS Allergies and Anaphylaxis Basic	1	1	1
	CECBEMS Date Rape Drugs	1	2	2
	CECBEMS Driving Safety	1	1	1
	CECBEMS Fundamentals of 12 Lead ECG Operation and Interpretation	2	1	2
	CECBEMS Obstetrical Emergencies Basic	1	1	1
	CECBEMS Patients with Special Challenges	1	1	1
Red Rock VFD Total				17
Silver Lake VFD	EVOC testing for the following volunteers on vehicles with a rotation of drivers; Dave Barden - Tender 221, Engine 221 & Brush 240; Dale Hildebrandt - Tender 221; Dave Walizer - Tender 221, Engine 221 & Brush 240; Rick Warren - Tender 221, Engine 221 & Brush 240; Nancy Madisen - Patrol 221 & Brush 240; Testing records for the above are on record with Truckee Meadows Fire.	4	3	12
	Practical drill on driver alley dock and stop exercise with Tender and Engine.	4	1	4
	Tender 221 from Silver Lake VFD and Brush 240 from Red Rock VFD drove to the training center to practice skills for Emergency Vehicle Operators Course set required by Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District.	3	3	9
	EVOC	3	2	6
	CECBEMS Aquatic Emergencies	2	2	4
	CECBEMS Burn Management Basic	2	1	2
	CECBEMS Health & Wellness	2	1	2
	CECBEMS HIV/AIDS Awareness	1	2	2
	CECBEMS Medical, Ethical, and Legal Issues	1	1	1
	First Responder Operations Level Refresher (MOD #2)	1	2	2
	First Responder Operations Level Refresher (MOD #3)	1	2	2
	Health & Wellness	1	1	1
	RT-130: Annual Wildland Fire Safety Refresher (MOD #1)	1	2	2
Silver Lake VFD Total				49
South Valleys VFD	Careflight Training/Orientation	4	1.5	6
	Recording Company Training	1	0.25	0.25

South Valleys VFD, Cont'd	EVOC	11	2	22
	RT-130	1	2	2
	SCBA Competency-Classroom	2	2	4
South Valleys VFD Total				34.25
Verdi VFD	Mobile attack and hose pack training with B-351.	3	3	9
	EVOC	2	2	4
	SCBA Competency-Classroom	1	2	2
	CECBEMS Orotracheal Intubation	1	1	1
	Emergency Response to Terrorism (MOD #3)	1	1	1
	NFPA 1001 Building Construction	1	1	1
	NFPA 1021 Fire Investigation	1	1	1
Verdi VFD Total				19



TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date: October 20, 2015

CM/ACM _____
Finance _____
Legal _____
Risk Mgt. _____
HR _____

DATE: September 30, 2015
TO: Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Board of Fire Commissioners
FROM: Charles A. Moore, Fire Chief
Phone: (775) 328-6123 Email: cmoore@tmfpd.us
SUBJECT: Accept a Special Fund Grant [not to exceed \$16,000] from Washoe County in support of purchasing a Chest Compression System to be utilized at Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Station 17, located at 500 Rockwell Blvd., Sparks, NV and to direct finance to make appropriate budget changes. (Commission District 4)

SUMMARY

Accept a Special Fund Grant [not to exceed \$16,000] from Washoe County in support of purchasing a Chest Compression System to be utilized at Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Station 17, located at 500 Rockwell Blvd., Sparks, NV and to direct finance to make appropriate budget changes.

Strategic Objective supported by this item: *Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities*

PREVIOUS ACTION

On Oct 13, 2015, the Board of County Commissioners approved a Special Fund Grant [not too exceed \$16,000] to Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District in support of purchasing a Chest Compression System to be utilized at Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Station 17, located at 500 Rockwell Blvd., Sparks, NV.

BACKGROUND

Modification of guidelines and adoption of resolution for County Commission District Special Funding on February 10, 2015 created Commission District Special Funds for each Commission District. On May 18, 2015 the Board of County Commissioners approved the Fiscal Year 15/16 budgets with special district funds allocated per Commission District in the amount of \$20,000. The monies appropriated are to support needs for all Washoe County residents that are not previously budgeted.

Funds appropriated through the Commission District Special Funds must provide substantial benefit to the inhabitants of the County. The recipient must be a non-profit organization, created for religious, charitable or educational purposes, or a governmental entity. Funds shall not provide any personal or private benefit for the Commissioners, directly or indirectly benefit any campaign efforts by a commission, violate Ethics in Government law, or be used to purchase tickets to special events.

Commissioner Hartung, of District 4 has elected to support Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District for Fiscal Year 15-16 with the purchase of a Chest Compression System designed to help improve outcomes of sudden cardiac arrest victims and improve operations for medical responders.

FISCAL IMPACT

The grant funds [not to exceed \$16,000] were approved for distribution to Truckee Meadow Fire Protection District by the Board of County Commissioners on October 13, 2015. Staff does not anticipate the cost of the Medical Chest Compression System to exceed the grant award for this project.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Fire Commissioners accept a Special Fund Grant [not to exceed \$16,000] from Washoe County in support of purchasing a Chest Compression System to be utilized at Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Station 17, located at 500 Rockwell Blvd., Sparks, NV and to direct finance to make appropriate budget changes

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation a possible motion would be:

"I move to accept a Special Fund Grant [not to exceed \$16,000] from Washoe County in support of purchasing a Chest Compression System to be utilized at Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Station 17, located at 500 Rockwell Blvd., Sparks, NV and to direct finance to make appropriate budget changes."



TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date: October 20, 2015

CM/ACM _____
Finance _____
Legal _____
Risk Mgt. _____
HR _____

DATE: October 8, 2015
TO: Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Board of Fire Commissioners
FROM: Charles A. Moore, Fire Chief
Phone: 775.328.6123 Email: cmoore@tmfpd.us
SUBJECT: Approve a Lease Agreement between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company for the warehouse facility located at 1315 Greg Street, Suite 105, Sparks, NV for a term of thirty-seven (37) months, subject to a Funding Out Clause, for a total lease amount of \$179,712. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

Approve a Lease Agreement between Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company for the warehouse facility located at 1315 Greg Street, Suite 105, Sparks, NV for a term of thirty-seven (37) months, subject to a Funding Out Clause, for a total lease amount of \$179,712.

Strategic Objective supported by this item: *Safe, Secure and Healthy Communities*

PREVIOUS ACTION

None.

BACKGROUND

Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District desires to begin planning for the future facility needs of the District. Staff is recommending the lease of a Logistics Facility. Logistics storage is now located in the Armory which has many challenges – the two main issues being the condition of the roof and the lack of heat for the facility. Staff has evaluated multiple options for the best alternative for a flexible space that offers the logistics space that will work for the District.

Staff is requesting authorization to proceed with a Lease Agreement for a 9,600 square foot warehouse facility located at 1315 Greg Street, Suite 105, Sparks, NV. The lease has a term of thirty-seven (37) months and includes a Funding Out Clause which would allow TMFPD to terminate the lease without penalty if funds are not appropriated or budgeted for in the subsequent years of the lease.

FISCAL IMPACT

The Fiscal Year 15/16 impact is \$33,600 for the lease plus a refundable \$6,432.00 security deposit. Operating expenses are estimated at \$1,248 per month for a Fiscal Year 15/16 impact of \$9,984. There is sufficient funding in the General Fund budget for FY15/16. This Lease is conditioned upon the availability of funds that are appropriated or budgeted for the purposes of the Lease. In the event, the

Board does not appropriate or budget funds in subsequent years, or amends previous appropriations or budgeted amounts to eliminate or reduce funding for the purposes of this Lease, TMFPD has the option of terminating the Lease without penalty, charge or sanction.

RECOMMENDATION

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POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with the staff's recommendation, a possible motion could be:

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SIERRA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date: October 20, 2015

CM/ACM _____
Finance _____
Legal _____
Risk Mgt. _____
HR _____

DATE: October 5, 2015
TO: Sierra Fire Protection District Board of Fire Commissioners
FROM: Charles A. Moore, Fire Chief
Phone: (775) 328-6123 Email: cmoore@tmfpd.us
SUBJECT: Discussion and possible approval of a notice to cancel all contracts with the volunteer 501(c)(3) organizations to include Cold Springs, Galena, Peavine, Verdi, and South Valley and authorize the Fire Chief to implement the cancellation of contracts. (All Commission Districts)

SUMMARY

Discussion and possible approval of a notice to cancel all contracts with the volunteer 501(c)(3) organizations to include Cold Springs, Galena, Peavine, Verdi, and South Valley and authorize the Fire Chief to implement the cancellation of contracts.

Strategic Objective supported by this item: Safe Secure and Healthy Communities

PREVIOUS ACTION

On April 17, 2012 the Board of Fire Commissioners received a presentation on the Volunteer Fire Departments (VFD's) and a Volunteer needs assessment.

On January 27, 2015, the Board accepted a presentation on issues related to the Volunteer Program and recommendations for reform including training and risk management issues.

On March 24, 2015, the Board heard a supplemental presentation on the Blue Ribbon Committee Report on Regional Fire Service.

BACKGROUND

Reformation of the volunteer program is progressing. A key change to modernize the program is reshaping the management and reporting structure. Under the current arrangement, the District contracts with individual 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporations. The 501(c)(3) then directs the activities of each individual station including appointment of a volunteer fire chief. With intensive study of the risk management and training issues, staff recommends that the District discontinue contracts with autonomous volunteer fire departments and replace contracts with District policy and best practice manuals. The District Fire Chief will then appoint managers for each volunteer station and assume all responsibility for training, record keeping and recruitment.

The volunteer 501(c)(3) organizations and TMFPD signed a Provision of Fire Services Agreement dated March 2001. These agreements formerly expired June 30, 2012 but continued with an implied extension.

The individual agreements allow for termination with or without cause upon “appropriate action of its governing board” and following a 60 days written notice. The Provision of Fire Services Agreement states “Upon termination of this agreement for any reason, all equipment and vehicles belonging to the District or Washoe County will be returned to the District’s possession within fifteen days. Termination of the agreement signifies the withdrawal of the volunteer department’s authority to provide firefighting, and other related activities within Washoe County.”

The notices to cancel the volunteer contracts will provide 60 days for the transition. This action is necessary to reduce liability and risk to the District and increase skills of volunteer members by taking control of the quantity and quality of training.

This Board Action does not impact the operations of the Washoe County Volunteer Fire Services at the stations of Red Rock and Gerlach, although best practices will be implemented at those locations.

Staff has no objection with the volunteers maintaining current 501(c)(3) corporations as long as any and all associated functions are related to civic and charitable purposes and not related to the operations and/or management of the TMFPD volunteer organization.

FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION

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POSSIBLE MOTION

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TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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FROM: Charles A. Moore, Fire Chief
Phone: (775) 328-6123 Email: cmoore@tmfpd.us
SUBJECT: Discussion and possible approval of a notice to cancel all contracts with the volunteer 501(c)(3) organizations to include Cold Springs, Lemmon Valley, Palomino Valley, Silver Lake and South Valley and authorize the Fire Chief to implement the cancellation of contracts. (All Commissioner Districts)

SUMMARY

Discussion and possible approval of a notice to cancel all contracts with the volunteer 501(c)(3) organizations to include Cold Springs, Lemmon Valley, Palomino Valley, Silver Lake and South Valley and authorize the Fire Chief to implement the cancellation of contracts.

Strategic Objective supported by this item: *Safe Secure and Healthy Communities*

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POSSIBLE MOTION

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