

SIERRA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #1 2024 ANNUAL ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT



District Wide Operational Activities

- 63 responses to District incidents including Cooperative Agreement responses to the Bear, Palen, and Merrill Fires (Tahoe National Forest direct responsibility area)
- Provided an Engine, Water Tender and Overhead staff to the Gold Complex (Mill Fire)
- 48 training events
- Participation in annual volunteer fire academy, a regional training program for volunteer firefighters hosted by the Quincy Volunteer Fire Department
- Support and participation in regional Basic 32 wildland firefighting training
- Continued collaborative training with Tahoe NF resources
- 37 days of Prepositioning resources to support Cal OES staffing needs during 11 mobilizations
- Accomplished a Dispatch System modification including use of procured software
- Qualified one AEMT (Advanced Emergency Medical Technician)
- Chief Connolly coordinated a "Cooperators Holiday Party" for the volunteers and Cooperators
- Applied for an FCC license to change radio frequency to avoid long term conflict with another fire agency
- Hosted equipment (dozer) operators assigned by the Tahoe National Forest as "supplemental resources" at station 82

FACILITIES AND FLEET:

- Repair major turbo failure on Engine 282
- Repair DEFF system issue with Rescue 82

ADMINISTRATION

- Amended policy and procedures for pre-pay of staff for accomplishing emergency and preposition assignments
- Established an agreement with the newly created 501-c3 (Eastern Sierra Firefighters' Auxiliary) to host the 2024 Tour de Manure fundraising event and coordinated activities during the event
- Adopted a FY 24/25 budget
- Successfully lobbied Cal OES to include hired equipment (dozers) for prepositioning activities
- Provided Video Conferencing for all Commission meetings
- Obtained a clean financial audit opinion
- Executed new professional service agreement for support of procurement activities and incident recording assistance
- Facilitated County Board of Supervisor approval of annual Mitigation Fee Inflation Adjustment (including correction of error made in 2023 adjustment)
- Updated Capital Improvement Plan
- Implemented Assistance to Firefighter Grant (\$19,995) for 10 new ensembles of structure fire Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
- Monitored Mitigation Fee Collections by County Building Department
- Updated District Clerk Agreement
- Accepted \$3,862 in donations made to the District by participants of the 2024 Tour de Manure

- Acquired an Electric over Hydraulic Combi Tool funded by proceeds from the 2022 Tour de Manure event, hosted by Sierraville Recreation Association, Inc.
- Established an agreement with Sierra County to manage fire suppression water sources at Fillippini Well sight and at Deerfield Airport

Sierraville Specific Actions

- Hydrant flushing/ annual hydrant exercising in Sierraville
- Assist SPUD with snow removal at various hydrants
- Provided continued access to Title 3 funds for Sierraville Fire Wise Committee

Sattley Specific Actions

- Completed remodel of Sattley Well House through donation from Sierraville Sattley Fire and Rescue Service organization.

Calpine Specific Actions

- Conducted hydrant flushing/ annual hydrant exercising in Calpine
- Assist Water District with snow removal at various hydrants
- Adopted a plan to move the siren to the top of Station 84

Verdi/Long Valley/Loyalton Specific Actions

- Reviewed contract with Truckee Meadows Fire and City of Loyalton
- Monitored County and TMFPD policies and responses to activities that could spark large wildfires in national forest lands near residences
- Provided continued access to Title 3 funds for Sierra Brooks and Loyalton Pines Fire Wise Committees
- Provided a representative (Tom Rowson) to Smithneck Fire Resiliency Advisory Group