# NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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TO:	BOARD OF DIRECTORS						

- FROM: KEITH MCREYNOLDS, FIRE CHIEF/CEO
- SUBJECT: BOARD MEETING PACKAGE
- **DATE:** JULY 27, 2021

Enclosed is your Board package for the Regular <u>July</u> Board Meeting. We have tried to include the information you will need to effectively consider and act on agenda items. The Board meeting will be held at the normal meeting venue at FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT, 990 EAST MISSION ROAD, FALLBROOK, CALIFORNIA.

Please note this month's meeting is scheduled for <u>Tuesday, July 27, 2021</u>, beginning at <u>4:00 p.m</u>.

It is our goal to be prepared to respond accurately to Board questions and concerns. You can help us achieve this goal by contacting me <u>prior to</u> the Board meeting with your questions and concerns. This will allow time for the Staff and me to provide the appropriate information for review at the Board meeting.

To ensure a quorum is present, please call Loren in advance of the meeting if you will be unable to attend. She may be reached at (760) 723-2012.

Respectfully,

Keith McReynolds Fire Chief/CEO



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# NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

# AGENDA FOR REGULAR BOARD MEETING JULY 27, 2021 — 4:00 p.m.

# LOCATION:

# FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT 990 EAST MISSION ROAD FALLBROOK CALIFORNIA

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PUBLIC ACTIVITIES AGENDA

For those joining us for the Public Activities Agenda, please feel free to depart at the close of the agenda. We invite you to stay for the remainder of the business meeting.

# CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL MOMENT OF SILENCE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

- 1. PUBLIC COMMENT — PRESIDENT VAN DOORN
- STANDING EVENT: Members of the Public may directly address the Board of Directors on items of interest to the Public provided no ⋟ action will be taken on non-agenda items. The Board President may limit comments to three minutes per speaker (Board of Directors Operations - Elections, Officers and Terms SOG § 4.2.6.3.).
- SECOND QUARTER 2021 AWARDS FOR BOARD RECOGNITION PROGRAM CHIEF MAHR (pgs. 7-14) 2. AND B/S STEPHEN-PORTER
- QUARTERLY ITEM: Select employees to be acknowledged for their efforts in the Second Quarter 2021. ⊳

# ACTION AGENDA

# **CONSENT EVENTS:**

All Events listed under the Consent Events are considered routine and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these Events prior to the Board action on the motion, unless members of the Board. Staff or public request specific Events be removed from the Consent Agenda.

3. ≯	<b>APPROVE REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES, JUNE 2021</b> <u>Standing Event</u> : Review and approve minutes from June meeting as presented.	(pgs. 15-22)
4. >	<b>REVIEW AND ACCEPT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JUNE 2021</b> <u>Standing Event</u> : Review and accept Financial Report for June as presented.	(pgs. 23-30)
5. 🌶	REVIEW AND ACCEPT POLICIES & PROCEDURES: <u>Standing Event</u> : None.	(pgs. 31-32)
6. ►	REVIEW AND ACCEPT EMERGENCY SERVICE OVERTIME TRACKING REPORT FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER 2020/2021 Quarterly Report: Report demonstrates that annual went up 17% and sick leave increased by 42%. Current overtime expended, but outstanding reimbursement of \$169,942.30 will reduce overtime to 87.10% of the budgeted amount	
7. >	REVIEW AND ACCEPT CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY PROGRAM RESULTS — SECOND QUARTER 2021 QUARTERLY REPORT: Report demonstrates 26% of surveys were returned; 98% of which were in the "excellent" catego	(pgs. 39-46) jory.
8.	REVIEW AND ACCEPT ANNUAL FLEET SERVICES REPORT	(pgs. 47-50)

### REVIEW AND ACCEPT ANNUAL FLEET SERVICES REPORT Χ.

 $\triangleright$ ANNUAL REPORT: Review and accept Report noting Fleet status.

The Americans with Disabilities Act provides that no qualified individual with a disability shall be excluded from participation in, or denied Note: the benefits of, District business. If you need assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the District Office 72 hours prior to the meeting at (760) 723-2012.

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9. **REVIEW AND ACCEPT ANNUAL TRAINING REPORT FOR 2021** 

(pgs. 51-54)

(pgs. 103-104)

STANDING ITEM: Review and accept Report that demonstrates when averaged, staff remain above minimum required training hours.

### ACTION EVENTS:

All Events listed under the Action Events Agenda will be presented and discussed prior to the Board taking action on any matter. Time Certain Events will commence precisely at the time announced in the Agenda.

- 10. PUBLIC HEARING DATE/TIME CERTAIN JULY 27, 2021 (4:15 P.M.) FOR (PGS. 55-60) ESTABLISHMENT OF MULTI-YEAR FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT PLAN FOR THE FIRE MITIGATION FEE PROGRAM WITH ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 2020-08 — FM FIERI AND CHIEF MAHR
- Annual Action: Public Hearing, date and times certain to approve Resolution 2021-08 to ensure continued participation in the County Fire Mitigation Fee Program.
- 11. REVIEW AND APPROVE FIXED CHARGE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR WEED ABATEMENT ---- (pgs. 61-98) FM FIERI AND CHIEF MAHR
- ANNUAL ITEM: Second required presentation to Board to approve and authorize Staff to deliver fixed Charge Assessment to County when deadlines are met.
- 12. REVIEW AND APPROVE RESOLUTION 2020-09 ACCEPTING THE REPORT ON STATE MANDATED INSPECTIONS — FM FIERI AND CHIEF MAHR
- ANNUAL REPORT: Review and approve Report and Resolution 2021-09 accepting the Report on mandated inspections.

# **DISCUSSION AGENDA**

No action shall be undertaken on any Discussion Event. The Board may: acknowledge receipt of the information or report and make comments: refer the matter to Staff for further study or report; or refer the matter to a future agenda.

13. There are no Discussion Items for the July 27, 2021 Board meeting.

STANDING DISCUSSION EVENTS: All Events listed under the Standing Discussion Events are presented every meeting.

•	<b>LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT:</b> "FPPC issues \$1.35m penalty against LA County Board of Supervisors for campaign violations."	(pgs. 105-106)
•	WRITTEN COMMUNICATION: None Board Recognition Program	(pgs.107-108)
•	NEWS ARTICLES: As attached.	(pgs. 109-166)
•	COMMENTS/REPORTS/QUESTIONS:	(pgs. 167-168)
•	STAFF: Chief Mahr Other Staff	
	BOARD	

- BARGAINING GROUPS
- PUBLIC COMMENT

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# CLOSED SESSION

The Board will enter closed session to discuss events as outlined herein. As provided in the Government Code, the public will not be present during these discussions. At the end of the Closed Session, the Board shall publicly report any action taken in Closed Session (and the vote or abstention on that action of every member present) in accordance with Government Code § 54950 ET. seq.)

CS-1.	ANNOUNCEMENT — PRESIDENT V	AN DOORN: (pgs. 169-170)
A	An announcement regarding the the commencement of Closed S	e items to be discussed in Closed Session will be made prior to ession.
CS-2.	CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGE NEGOTIATIONS – CHIEF MAHR:	DTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 — NON-SAFETY GROUP
$\triangleright$	FFA NON-SAFETY GROUP	DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS:
	NEGOTIATORS	CHIEF MAHR, DISTRICT COUNSEL JAMES
CS-3.	REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION	- PRESIDENT VAN DOORN
		ADJOURNMENT

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is: Tuesday, August 24, 2021, 4:00 p.m. CERTIFICATION OF AGENDA POSTING

"I certify that this Agenda was posted in accordance with the provisions of the Government Code § 54950 et. seq. The posting locations were: [1] the entrance of North County Fire Protection District Administrative Offices, [2] Fallbrook Public Utility District Administrative Offices and [3] the Roy Noon Meeting Hall; [4] District's website at <a href="https://www.ncfire.org">https://www.ncfire.org</a>. The Agenda was also available for review at the Office of the Board Secretary, located at located at 330 S. Main Avenue, Fallbrook (760) 723-2012. Materials related to an item on this Agenda submitted to the District after distribution of the agenda packet, are available for public inspection in the Office of the Board Secretary, located at 330 S. Main Avenue, Fallbrook (760) 723-2012, during normal business hours or may be found on the District website at <a href="https://www.ncfire.org">https://www.ncfire.org</a>, subject to the Staff's ability to post the documents before the meeting. The date of posting was July 23, 2021."

Board Secretary Loren Stephen-Porter:

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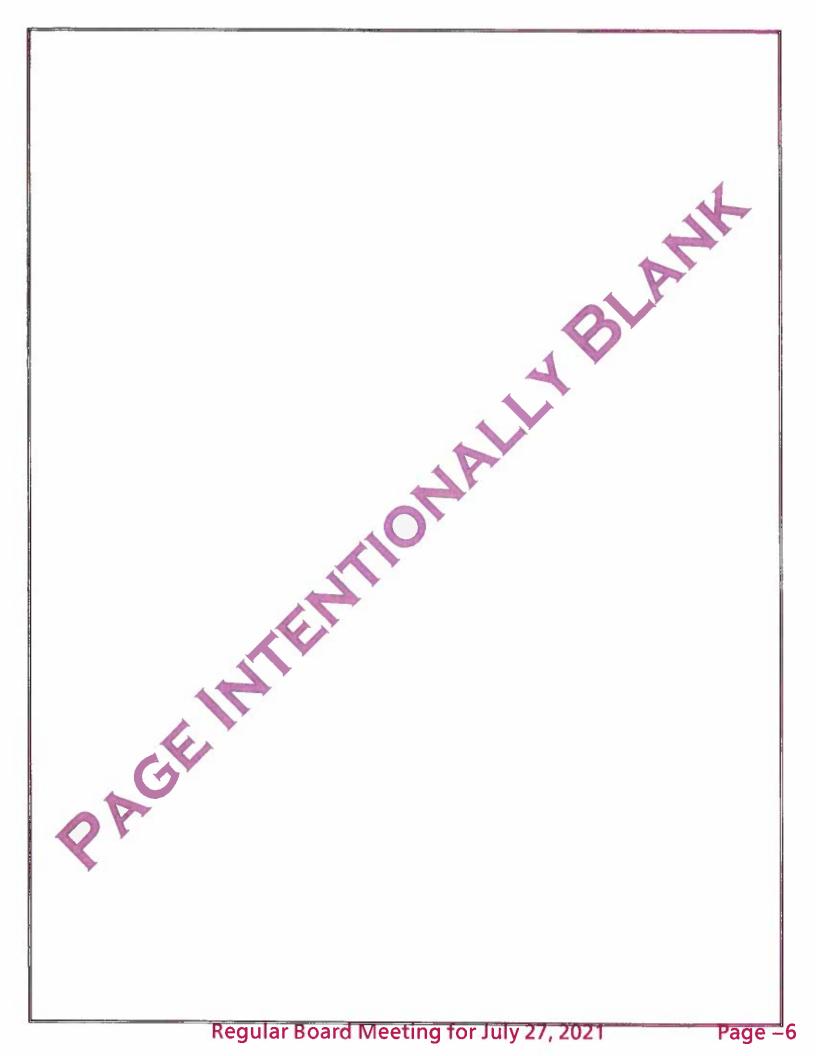
# **PROTECTION DISTRICT**

FIRE CHIEF/CEO

- TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- FROM: KEITH MCREYNOLDS, FIRE CHIEF/CEO
- **DATE:** JULY 27, 2021
- SUBJECT: PUBLIC COMMENT

# PUBLIC COMMENT:

1. Members of the Public may directly address the Board of Directors on items of interest to the Public provided no action will be taken on non-agenda items. The Board President may limit comments to three minutes per speaker (Board of Directors Operations – Elections, Officers and Terms SOG § 4.2.6.3.).





# NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

# FIRE CHIEF/CEO

TO:	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM:	KEITH MCREYNOLDS, FIRE CHIEF/CEO AND B/S STEPHEN-PORTER
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**DATE:** JULY 27, 2021

**SUBJECT:** EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION PROGRAM REPORT – SELECTION OF INDIVIDUALS

# **ACTION AGENDA**

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Board select individual(s) to be recognized for their efforts during the Second Quarter of 2021.

## BACKGROUND:

In 2007, the Board instituted a Program designed to recognize excellent performance by members of the organization. On a quarterly basis, the Board selects employees to be recognized, based on feedback received during the quarter. The District has been fortunate to receive positive feedback on a number of employees' activities this past quarter, upon which they may make their selection from the individuals and groups below.

### SECOND QUARTER RECOGNITION - INFORMATION RECEIVED ON INDIVIDUALS:

For the Second Quarter of 2021, the Board received information on the following individuals/crews for their outstanding efforts:

# BOARD RECOGNITION PROGRAM:

### • JUNE 3, 2021 LETTER OF COMMENDATION: FOR DEDICATION AND TEAMWORK THROUGH COVID-19 CRISIS:

DFC Kevin Mahr MSO Mary Murphy Captains: August, Bradshaw, Fieri and Harrington Engineer Harlin FF/PM Rivera

# • THANK YOU NOTE OF APRIL 18, 2021:

Captain Rees Paramedic Trask Engineer Harlin EMT Guzman FF/PM Rivera

### • APRIL 3, 2021 EMAIL FROM CHIEF MACMILLAN RE: ASSISTANCE WITH CAPTAINS ACADEMY:

Captain AugustCaptain HarringtonCalFire B/C Robert ReynoldsCaptain DeCampD/C McReynolds

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### March 18, 2021 - SATISFACTION SURVEY WITH CHECK:

Captain Choi PM Paur Engineer Craven EMT Rees FF Cain

### MARCH 17, 2021 – SATISFACTION SURVEY WITH CHECK:

Captain August PM Paur Engineer Lindsey EMT Hermez FF Cain

### FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The Program is planned for 1-5 awards per quarter to keep it within approved budgetary standards.

### SUMMARY:

The Staff joins the Board in acknowledging the extraordinary efforts of these members and requests the Board select no more than three individuals (or one group) for recognition at the Regular August Board Meeting.

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DAVID KENNEDY KENNETH F. MUNSON JOHN VAN DOORN

LOREN A. STEPHEN-PORTER - Executive Assistant/Board Secretary - Istephen@uclire.org

June 3, 2021

# Letter of Commendation

During the COVID-19 pandemic many agencies throughout the County of San Diego played an active role in Operation Collaboration. Our agency has been recognized as having stepped up right from the beginning and participating at a very high level throughout this entire incident. Our crews demonstrated the embodiment of public service; they entered into an unknown mission where they adapted daily and overcame any issues encountered, all in the name of improving the health and safety of our community.

The Operations Section was certainly made better the commitment of our staff over the past 6 months. There is no doubt that during this operation, we have demonstrated to many levels of the County what the local government fire agencies are capable of. This level of contribution would not have been possible without the dedication and teamwork demonstrated by the following North County Fire Employees, who are to be commended for their efforts:

Deputy Chief Kevin Mahr Medical Services Officer Mary Murphy **Captain Pete August** Captain Joey Bradshaw Captain Anthony Fieri Captain Tom Harrington Engineer Joe Harlin Firefighter/Paramedic Justin Rivera

Gratefully,

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Stephen Abbott, Fire Chief

Cc: Personnel file



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TL Sadly beekand passed away ou march 11th but he was here at home under Hospice lare. Thank you again for the many calls you've made over the year. year appreciated more then you know! Sincerly - Jan Augherte 04-18-2021 Dear Captain Ford, Eugeneer Harlin, Fisefighter Rivera, Haramedie hash & Emit Guymon -My sincerest thanks to each of you for responding so quickly and for your patience and care of my husband.

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### **Loren Stephen-Porter**

From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject: Brian Macmillan April 3, 2021 09:11 A Crew; B Crew; C Crew; Leadership Team Reynolds, Robert@CALFIRE Captains Academy Shout-Out

Good morning,

I wanted to take a minute to thank the instructors and participants in the 2021 Captains Academy. This was another beneficial day of great leadership and Incident command training. The Training Divisions goal is to ensure our promotional candidates are prepared not only for the promotional exam, but also for the position they are striving to achieve.

There is an incredible amount of time and energy devoted to putting together the promotional academies at our department. A great team was put together for this year's Captains academy to include:

Capt. Pete August Capt. Rob Decamp Capt. Tom Harrington Division Chief Keith McReynolds Calfire Battalion Chief Robert Reynolds

Thank you to the participants for your willingness to take the time away from your families to help make North County a better place and progress us into the future.

Have a great weekend,

Brian MacMillan | Battalion Chief North County Fire Protection District | 330 S. Main Ave – Fallbrook, CA 92028 T: (760) 723-2005 - C: (760) 310-4481 bmacmillan@ncfire.org | www.ncfire.org

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### NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT 330 S. Main Avenue, Fallbrook, CA 92028 (760) 722 2005

## (760) 723-2005

### CUSTOMER SATISFACTION SURVEY

INCIDENT #: 2021-011026

Recently you dialed 911 because you or your family required the assistance of the Fire Department. North County Fire Protection District takes pride in the service we provide to you and to the community. We are constantly seeking ways to improve service to our customers. To assist us, we ask that you take a few minutes of your time to let us know about your experience. If you would like to contact us regarding our service, please call the Operations Division at (760) 723-2033.

Please rate your overall satisfaction with	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor
the Fire Department on this incident.	<u>X</u>			

Please take this opportunity to discuss your experience with the fire department on this incident. Do you have any suggestions for improvement?

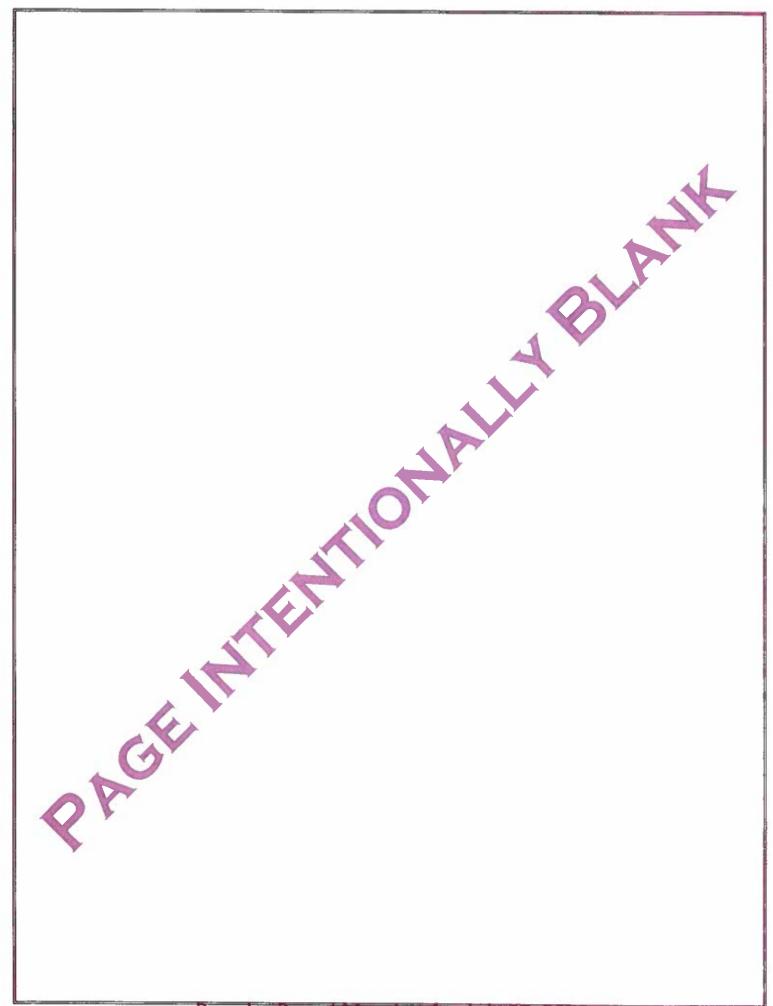
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1	June 22, 2021
2	REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
3	THE NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
4	President Van Doorn called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.
5	A MOMENT OF SILENCE WAS OBSERVED.
6	ALL RECITED THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
7	ROLL CALL:
8	Present: Directors Acosta, Egkan, Kennedy, Munson and Van Doorn.
9	Absent: None.
10	Staff Present: Retiring Fire Chief/CEO Abbott, Fire Chief/CEO Keith McReynolds, Attorney
11	James and Board Secretary Stephen-Porter. In the audience were: DFC Mahr, D/C
12	MacMillan, B/C Krumwiede, F/M Fieri, FM Juul and members of the public and Association.
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14	PUBLIC ACTIVITIES AGENDA
15	1. <b>PUBLIC COMMENT:</b> President Van Doorn addressed the audience and inquired
16	whether there were any public comments regarding items not on the Agenda. There being
17	no comments, the Public Comment Section was closed.
18	ACTION AGENDA
19	CONSENT ITEMS:
20	2. <u>REVIEW AND ACCEPT REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES FOR MAY 2021</u>
21	3. REVIEW AND ACCEPT FINANCIAL REPORT FOR MAY 2021
22	4. <u>REVIEW AND ACCEPT POLICIES &amp; PROCEDURES</u>
23	5. MONTHLY OPERATIONS ACTIVITY REPORT
24	President Van Doorn inquired whether there were any questions on Consent Items 2-5.
25	There being no discussion, President Van Doorn asked for a motion to approve the Consent
26	Agenda. On a motion by Director Munson, seconded by Vice President Kennedy the motion
27	to approve the Consent Agenda as presented passed unanimously.
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**ACTION ITEMS:** 

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6. **CSDA SPECIAL DISTRICT LEADERSHIP ACADEMY – CHIEF MCREYNOLDS AND CHIEF ABBOTT:** Chief McReynolds noted that the CSDA Special District Leadership Academy is being held this year during the same week as the Board meeting. After ascertaining the Board's interest in attending, he inquired whether they would be willing to change the meeting date. On a motion by Director Acosta, seconded by Director Egkan the motion to

move the September meeting to September 21<sup>st</sup> passed unanimously.

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7. <u>REVIEW AND APPROVE RESOLUTION 2021-05 AUTHORIZING THE FIRE CHIEF/CEO AND</u> <u>DESIGNEES AS SIGNATORIES – CHIEF ABBOTT</u>: With Chief Abbott retiring, it is necessary to designate Chief McReynolds and his designees so they may carry out banking and other necessary business of the District as signatories. This is a standard Resolution adopted whenever a new Fire Chief is appointed. On a motion by Director Munson, seconded by Vice President Kennedy the motion to approved Resolution 2021-05 authorizing the Fire Chief/CEO and designees as signatories passed unanimously.

8. <u>REVIEW AND APPROVE RESOLUTION 2021-06 ESTABLISHING THE LIMIT OF APPROPRIATIONS</u> OF PROCEEDS OF TAX SUBJECT TO LIMITATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022 IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE XIII-B OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA – FM JULL AND CHIEF ABBOTT: FM Jul presented the required action to the Board, noting it is necessary for the District to approve the Resolution each year. As is routinely the case, the District is under the maximum amount allowed. On a motion by Director Munson, seconded by Vice President Kennedy the motion to approve Resolution 2021-06 establishing the limitation of appropriations passed unanimously.

9. <u>REVIEW AND APPROVE RESOLUTION 2021-07</u> — <u>REQUESTING A TEMPORARY TRANSFER OF</u> <u>FUNDS FROM THE COUNTY TREASURER TO NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT</u> — <u>FM JUUL</u> <u>AND CHIEF ABBOTT</u>: FM JUUL presented a request to approve Resolution 2021-07 to the Board, noting this is an annual action that is required in order to obtain advances on the tax monies due the District from the County. The Resolution permits the District to be advanced a maximum of 85% of the anticipated taxes due in a given year, which the District uses until taxes are collected and released to it. On a motion by Vice President Kennedy, seconded

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by Director Egkan the motion to approve Resolution 2021-07 authorizing a temporary transfer of funds from the County passed unanimously.

10. <u>REVIEW AND CAST VOTE IN ELECTION FOR CSDA BOARD OF DIRECTORS, SOUTHERN</u> <u>NETWORK — CHIEF ABBOTT</u>: Chief McReynolds presented the ballot information to the Board noting there is one seat open, Seat C, which is current being held by incumbent Jo MacKenzie from the Vista Irrigation District. Director Munson made a recommendation to support her based on her involvement with CSDA. On a motion by Director Munson, seconded by Vice President Kennedy the motion to cast the vote for Jo MacKenzie and authorizing the Board Secretary to cast the vote passed unanimously.

11. **REVIEW AND APPROVE FIXED CHARGE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR WEED ABATEMENT** — F/M FIERI AND CHIEF ABBOTT: FM Fieri presented the Fixed Charge Special Assessment for Weed Abatement to the Board, noting this year there were four properties that had failed to pay for their forced weed abatements. The total costs for all abatements were \$35,200.00, with administrative costs of \$2,416.00, totaling \$37,616.00. The owners have received all the required notices both prior to the forced abatement and after the abatement. Notice of the Fixed Charge Assessment were posted as required, with an additional final letter to be sent after this Board meeting. The owners have until July 31, 2021 to pay the amounts due before submission to the County. When submitted to the County, it will be placed on the owners' property taxes. This is the first reading and the Board will have a final chance to review and approve the charges at the July Board meeting. It was the consensus of the Board to accept the Fixed Charge Special Assessment with a final vote at the July meeting.

12. CONSIDER SCOPE OF WORK FOR LONG-RANGE MASTER AND STRATEGIC PLANS; ESTABLISH AD HOC WORKING COMMITTEE — CHIEF MCREYNOLDS AND CHIEF ABBOTT: Chief Abbott presented the Scope of Work (SOW) for the Plans, requesting feedback so the District could move forward with a RFP to select a firm to assist with development of the Plans. He noted it had been fifteen years since the District had undertaken to develop a strategic plan and this time around, they are looking to include a long-range master plan also. In addition, he requested that two members of the Board be selected to serve on the Ad Hoc Committee during the development of the Plans. After discussion, Directors Munson and Director Egkan

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were identified to serve on the Committee, with Vice President Kennedy serving as an alternate if necessary. On a motion by Vice President Kennedy, seconded by Director Acosta the motion to establish the Ad Hoc Committee with Directors Egkan and Munson serving and Vice President Kennedy serving as an alternate passed unanimously.

13. REVIEW AND APPROVE PRELIMINARY BUDGET FOR FY 2021/2022; SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE/ TIME CERTAIN OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2021 AT 4:15 P.M., TO APPROVE THE FINAL BUDGET - FM **JUUL AND CHIEF ABBOTT:** FM presented the Preliminary Budget for review. Juul presented the Preliminary Budget to the Board for review and approval, noting it is a balanced budget. On the Revenue side, she noted that the District is anticipating an increase in property tax revenue of approximately \$341,303 over budgeted amount in FY 20/21. Ambulance fees had significantly increased due to better billing practices and fee increases. On the Expense side, salaries increased by 7.3%, with healthcare estimated to increase by 5%. Unfunded Accrued Liability had an increase of 27% over last year's budgeted amount, but this will decrease once the POB has had time to take full effect. She noted there had been an increase in legal fees both due to aligning with history and planning for future retirements. FM Juul noted they are investigating insurer options due to an increase from SDRMA. On a motion by Director Munson, seconded by Director Egkan the motion to approve the Preliminary Budget and set the hearing for the Final Budget for September 21<sup>st</sup> at 4:15 p.m. passed unanimously.

# **DISCUSSION AGENDA**

14. There were no Discussion Agenda Items for the June 25, 2019, Board Meeting. STANDING DISCUSSION ITEMS:

• <u>LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT</u>: Counsel James presented his report "*Cal/OSHA Updates COVID-19 Workplace Standards.*" Brief discussion ensued with it being issues with exposures and changes in masking requirements. Chiefs Mahr and MacMillan, with MSO Murphy are currently updating District policies but response requirements remain unchanged. This is informational only, no action required.

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<u>WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS</u>: Brief discussion ensued regarding the items.
Informational only, no action required.

BOARD RECOGNITION PROGRAM

• **<u>NEWS ARTICLES</u>**: No discussion regarding articles. This is informational only, no action required.

• <u>COMMENTS</u>:

STAFF REPORTS/UPDATES:

• **STEPHEN ABBOTT, FIRE CHIEF/CEO:** Chief Abbott informed the Board this would be his last Board meeting. He thanked the Board and his staff for their support throughout his tenure. He gave a brief report on fire activity throughout the state and the employees out on fires. Chief Abbott noted with there being no changes to the Plans, he would move forward as quickly as possible to initiate the RFP process for Chief McReynolds. Chief Abbott informed participants he is having a "thank you party" for the community and will be sending out invitations. Informational only, no further action required.

• <u>CHIEF OFFICERS AND OTHER STAFF</u>: <u>CHIEF MAHR</u>: Chief Mahr informed the Board that all promotional positions are in place. The testing for the new Public Outreach position is scheduled for this week. He informed the Board the Heli-hydrant is moving forward with placemen anticipated shortly. <u>D/C MACMILLAN</u>: D/C MacMillan informed the Board the District will be preparing for wildland training and in July, they will train for palm tree fires. He noted the District hired three new single roles and converted three positions from parttime to full-time. <u>FM FIERI</u>: FM Fieri provided an update on the weed abatements with 600 properties staked and better compliance this season. The state mandated inspections have been completed. An employee is at the National Fire Academy receiving training. The arson report was updated.

BOARD: DIRECTOR ACOSTA: Director Acosta thanked Chief Abbott for connecting with her and making her job easier. DIRECTOR EGAN: Director Egan thanked Chief Abbott for his service to the District and wished he had more of an opportunity to know him. VICE PRESIDENT KENNEDY: Vice President Kennedy congratulated Chief Abbott on his retirement. Vice President Kennedy will be on vacation for the next Board meeting and inquired about

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attending remotely. **DIRECTOR MUNSON:** Director Munson thanked Chief Abbott and congratulated him on his retirement. **PRESIDENT VAN DOORN:** President van Doorn told Chief Abbott it had been a pleasure to work with him, he had made President van Doorn's job easier. He wished him a happy retirement.

BARGAINING GROUPS: No comments.

 PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Frew thanked Chief Abbott and stated he would miss seeing Chief Abbott here.

# **CLOSED SESSION**

### OPENING CLOSED SESSION:

At 5:45 p.m., President van Doorn inquired whether there was a motion to adjourn to Closed Session. There being no objection, President van Doorn read the items to be discussed in Closed Session and the Open Session was closed. A short break ensued after the reading of the Closed Session Items. At 5:55 p.m., and the Board entered Closed Session to hear: CS-1. ANNOUNCEMENT — PRESIDENT VAN DOORN: An announcement regarding the items to be discussed in Closed Session will be made prior to the commencement of Closed Session CS-2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR - GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 - NON-SAFETY **GROUP NEGOTIATIONS – CHIEF ABBOTT:** FFA NON-SAFETY GROUP NEGOTIATORS DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS: CHIEF ABBOTT, DISTRICT COUNSEL JAMES CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR - GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 -**UNREPRESENTED INDIVIDUAL NEGOTIATION – CHIEF ABBOTT: INCOMING FIRE CHIEF/CEO** DISTRICT NEGOTIATORS: CHIEF ABBOTT, DISTRICT COUNSEL JAMES CS-4. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION - PRESIDENT VAN DOORN **REOPENING OPEN SESSION:** On a motion by Director Munson, which was seconded by Director Kennedy, which passed unanimously, the Board returned to Open Session at 6:25 p.m. with the following items were reported out to the public:

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CS-2. <u>CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957.6 — NON-SAFETY</u> <u>GROUP NEGOTIATIONS – CHIEF ABBOTT</u>: On a motion by Director Kennedy, seconded by Director Munson, the Non-Safety Side Letter and salary schedule was unanimously approved as presented.

CS-3. <u>CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR - GOVERNMENT CODE § 54957 — CHIEF ABBOTT</u>: On a motion by Director Egkan, seconded by Director Acosta, the Board unanimously approved the three-year contract with Chief McReynolds as presented with a salary of \$185,000.00/year.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made at 6:30 p.m. by on a motion by Vice President Kennedy, seconded by Director Egkan the motion to adjourn the meeting and reconvene on July 27, 2021, at 4:00 p.m., carried unanimously.

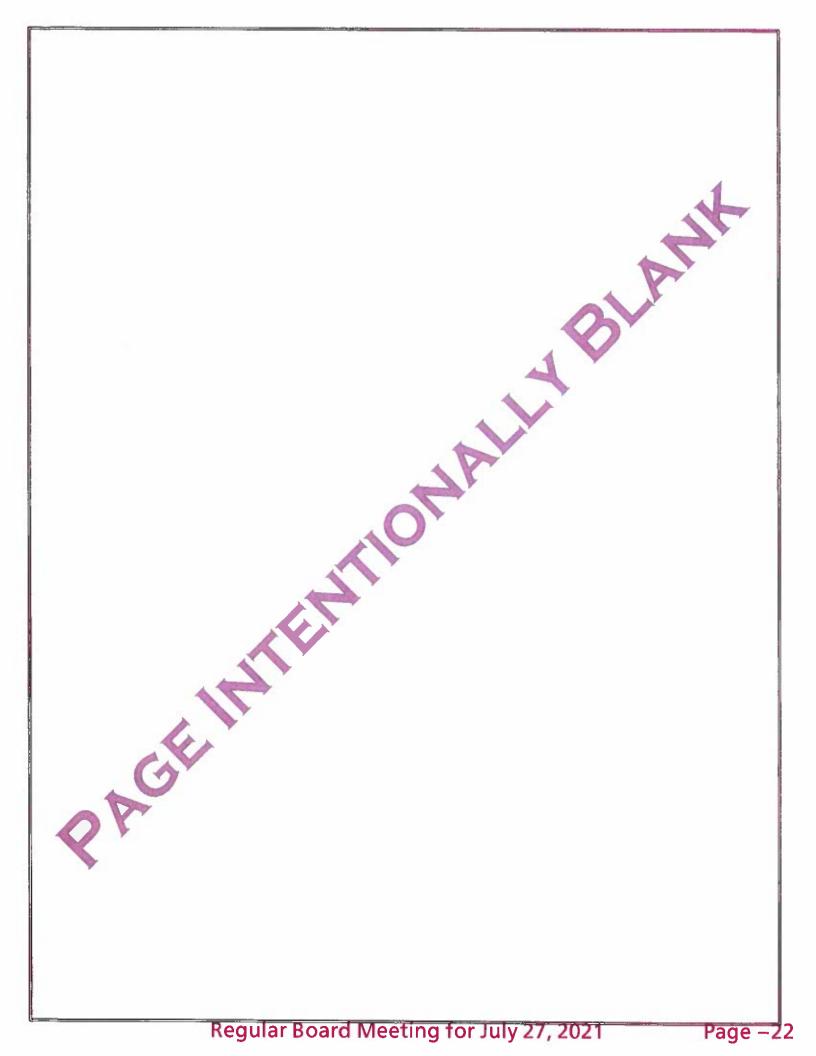
Respectfully submitted,

Lora a. StePorte

Loren Stephen-Porter Board Secretary

Minutes approved at the Board of Director's Meeting on: July 27, 2021

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# NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

**ADMINISTRATION - BUDGET & FINANCE** 

- TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- FROM: FM CHERIE JUUL AND CHIEF MCREYNOLDS
- **DATE:** JULY 27, 2021

SUBJECT: REVENUE & EXPENDITURES AS OF JUNE 30, 2021 (100%)

Revenue Sources	Budgeted	Collected	Over/Under	% of Budget
Property Taxes - FBK	15,940,646.00	16,384,711.00	444,065.00	103%
Property Taxes - RNBW	303,000.00	331,298.00	28,298.00	109%
Ambulance and Collections	2,245,000.00	3,156,754.54	911,754.54	141%
GEMT-State Supplement	90,000.00	-	(90,000.00)	0%
Prevention Fees	185,000.00	186,448.00	1,448.00	101%
Tower Lease Agreements	103,000.00	78,396.00	(24,604.00)	76%
Other Revenue Sources	50,000.00	43,294.00	(6,706.00)	87%
Interest	50,000.00	39,232.00	(10,768.00)	78%
Cost Recovery	80,000.00	47,680.73	(32,319.27)	60%
Inspection Fee (Fire Prevention)	-	22,141.00	22,141.00	
Fallbrook Healthcare District	92,000.00	103,935.00	11,935.00	113%
Community Facilities District (CFD)	116,942.00	71,587.82	(45,354.18)	61%
Strike Team Reimbursements	151,523.00	844,722.00	693,199.00	557%
Other Reimbursements	100,000.00	339,059.00	239,059.00	339%
Mitigation Fees & Interest - FBK	300,000.00	238,859.00	(61,141.00)	80%
Donations & Grants	104,157.00	108,448.00	4,291.00	104%
Annexation fees	-	-	-	
Transfers & Loans	-	-	-	
Total Revenue:	19,911,268.00	21,996,566.09	2,085,298.09	110%
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	Budgeted	Spent	Over/Under	% of Budget
TTL Expenditures YTD thru 06-30-2021	18,957,776.00	19,364,044.22	406,268.22	102%
Revenue over Expenditures		2,632,521.87		

# North County Fire Protection District For the Twelfth Month Ending June 30, 2021 100% of Budget

		:		Within 10% of Budget >10% of Budget (see notes) Amount	Budget (see notes)
Description	June actual	Running Total	Final Budget	Remaining	% Used
TOTAL PERSONNEL	2,359,609.00	15,748,858.00	15,424,695.00	(324,163.00)	102.1% Overtime
101 Total Board Administration	21,568.00	432,849.00	464,900.00	32,051.00	93.1%
102 Total Administration	31,189.00	511,790.00	679,303.00	167,513.00	75.3%
103 Total Fire Prevention	1,810.00	54,451.00	62,400.00	7,949.00	87.3%
104 Total Emergency Services	26,620.00	357,495.00	457,102.00	99,607.00	78.2%
105 Total Emergency Med Svcs	6,581.00	402,931.00	460,202.00	57,271.00	87.6%
106 Total Volunteers/Explorers	r	0	ч.	,	0.0%
107 Total Communications	11,499.00	577,688.00	620,004.00	42,316.00	93.2%
108 Total Shop/Maintenance	19,539.00	279,216.00	355,905.00	76,689.00	78.5%
109 Total Training	7,617.00	55,041.00	83,265.00	28,224.00	66.1%
120 Total General Fund Reserve	302,479.00	302,479.00	300,000.00	(2,479.00)	100.8%
GRAND TOTAL	2,788,511.00	18,420,319.00	18,907,776.00	487,457.00	97.4% a
200 Total Capital Expenditures	31,137.32	943,725.22	1,610,935.00	667,209.78	58.6% a

Notes

COLOR KEY Within/Below Budget

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### Notes (566.755) (1.233,307 (79.855) (191,776) (70,758) (32,051) (167,513) (7,949) (99,607) (57,271) (42,316) (76,689) (28,224) (221,953) (300,000) (521,953) (709,409) Prelim/Final Variance 83.93% (511,620) 324,163 92.29% 212.70% 92.04% 96.33% 90.69% 93.11% 75.34% 87.26% 87.26% 87.56% 93.17% 78.45% 66.10% % of Budget 102.10% 2.327,606 923,638 5,026,818 689,242 54,451 357,495 402,931 432,849 511,790 279,216 55,041 577,688 Year to Date 6,781,554 15,748,858 2,671,461 0 Encumbrances o 102,478 249,685 1,363,414 79,438 1,810 26,620 6,581 21,568 31,189 11,499 19,539 7,617 564,594.52 June 2,359,609 126,423 521,953 19,129,729 Final Budget FY 20/21 1,094,299 1,003,493 5,218,593 760,000 464,900 679,303 62,400 457,102 460,202 620,004 355,905 83,265 221,953 300,000 7,348,309 15,424,695 3,183,081 Workers Comp. Description Other Pay Overtime Benefits Salaries Board Administration Administration Prevention Operations Emergency Medical Explorers/Volunteers Communications Fleet Maintenance Training TOTAL GENERAL FUND Account TOTAL TOTAL Deposit to Reserves Contingency Personnel 0 & M

EXPENSE SUMMARY

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96.29%

18,420,319

2,486,032

Final Budget FY 20/21

		Ň	NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT Tax Apportionments FY 20-21	COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION E	TION DISTRICT 20-21		
DATE	АРР #	GROSS	REFUNDS & ADJUSTMENTS	FY 20/21 NET	FY 20/21 RUNNING	FY 19/20 NET	FY 19/20 RUNNING
08 12 2020	-	223,517.70	1,322.63	222,195.07	222,195.07	229,418.43	229,418.43
09 22 2020	7	206,806.13	1,611.36	205,194.77	427,389.84	79,480.12	308,898.55
10 20 2020	n	337,997.18	19,167.85	318,829.33	746,219.17	154,586.49	463,485.04
11 17 2020	4	931,116.26	7,707.83	923,408.43	1,669,627.60	534,416.39	997,901.43
12 15 2020	Ŋ	4,992,829.71	11,988.46	4,980,841.25	6,650,468.85	5,133,895.38	6,131,796.81
01 19 2021	9	2,325,339.06	11,430.52	2,313,908.54	8,964,377.39	2,451,410.99	8,583,207.80
02 16 2021	7	599,269.85	3988.68	595,281.17	9,559,658.56	359,238.37	8,942,446.17
03 16 2021	8	520,573.22	21,547.17	499,026.05	10,058,684.61	359,238.37	8,942,446.17
04 13 2021	Ø	3,761,820.40	150,771.77	3,611,048.63	13,669,733.24	5,764,032.69	14,706,478.86
05 11 2021	10	2,065,261.96	17,827.93	2,047,434.03	15,717,167.27	290,352.38	14,996,831.24
06 22 2021		420,179.28	7,040.03	413,139.25	16,130,306.52	373,389.57	15,370,220.81
07 22 2021	12			ı	16,130,306.52	373,389.57	15,370,220.81
		<u> </u>				66,170.93	15,436,391.74
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TOTAL YTD		16,384,710.75	254,404.23	16,130,306.52	16,130,306.52	15,370,220.81	15,370,220.81 4.95%
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			RAINBOW FIRE PROTECTION SUBZONE	<b>PROTECTIC</b>	IN SUBZONE		
			Tax Appo	Tax Apportionments F	FY 20/21		
DATE	APP #	GROSS	REFUNDS & ADJUSTMENTS	FY 20/21 NET	FY 20/21 RUNNING	FY 19/20 NET	FY 19/20 RUNNING
08 18 2020	~	4,301.57	25.45	4,276.12	4,276.12	4,195.51	4,195.51
09 22 2020	2	3,980.01	31.01	3,949.00	8,225.12	1,453.47	5,648.98
10 20 2020	б	6,504.72	368.86	6,135.86	14,360.98	2,826.97	8,475.95
11 17 2020	4	17,919.34	153.94	17,765.40	32,126.38	9,760.17	18,236.12
12 15 2020	S	96,615.23	230.73	96,384.50	128,510.88	94,409.63	112,645.75
01 19 2021	9	52,876.95	225.11	52,651.84	181,162.72	53,866.73	166,512.48
02 16 2021	7	12,020.65	78.16	11,942.49	193,105.21	6,951.95	173,464.43
03 16 2021	8	10,436.56	415.78	10,020.78	203,125.99	ı	173,464.43
04 13 2021	თ	75,802.43	3,044.28	72,758.15	275,884.14	62,105.80	235,570.23
05 11 2021	10	42,425.98	344.76	42,081.22	317,965.36	50,125.46	285,695.69
06 22 2021	1	8,414.58	139.80	8,274.78	326,240.14	5,661.27	291,356.96
07 22 2021	12	_		ŧ	326,240.14	7,164.56	298,521.52
TOTAL YTD		331,298.02	5,057.88	326,240.14	326,240.14	291,356.96	291,356.96
						Net Rev Increase	11.97%

NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

# AMBULANCE REVENUE FY 2020-2021

FY 19-20 NET REVENUE	155,833,88	181,256.99	199,107.55	205,273.64	196,525.33	179,942.32	212,967.00	188,887.92	175,643.85	172,516.79	162,862.20	217,930.48	2,248,747.95	31.31%
FY 20-21 NET REVENUE	197,280.04	228,688.36	178,526.43	252,239.73	276,155.54	265,676,94	291,545.20	272,673.91	239,446.33	269,629.23	237,286.90	243,766.39	2,952,915.00	New Revenue Change
<b>BILLING</b>	11,557.11	11,527.20	11,559.78	9,607.98	10,018.01	12,050.24	11,153.46	10,481.31	13,991.82	10,971.05	15,379.46	11,592.25	139,889.67	~
DEPOSITS	208,837.15	240,215.56	190,086.21	261,847.71	286,173.55	277,727.18	302,698.66	283,155.22	253,438,15	280,600,28	252,666.36	255,358,64	3,092,804.67	. 1
ADJ AR	178,722.42	218,139.19	155,501.34	232,638.58	265,861.80	235,866.72	277,050.83	218,232.93	215,861,84	237,951,33	201,288.61	222,011.62	2,659,127.21	4.31%
REFUNDS	1,978.64	(488.08)	-	•	5,893.97	e	2	5,837,18	6,102.54	718,36	9	2 2	20,042.61	hange
BAD DEBT <u>WRITE-OFFS</u>	28,136.09	22,564.45	34,584.87	29,209.13	14,417.78	41,860,46	25,647,83	59,085.11	31,473,77	41,930.59	51,377,75	33,347,02	413,634.85	Net A/R Change
TOTAL AR <u>FY 19-20</u>	274,112.06	215,953.31	307,159.93	248,890.07	229,003.49	331,817.90	201,170.29	240,188.15	208,936.67	198,311.38	279,286.84	230,124.08	2,964,954.17	
TOTAL AR <u>FY 20-21</u>	208,837.15	240,215.56	190,086.21	261,847.71	286,173.55	277,727,18	302,698.66	283,155.22	253,438.15	280,600.28	252,666.36	255,358.64	3,092,804.67	
CONTRACTUAL WRITE DOWNS	283,771.92	342,604.08	311,137.26	352,938.54	453,266.94	476,631.07	455,132.41	363,693.16	513,998,52	450,762,21	493,655,99	475,238,36	4,972,830.46	
	492,609.07	582,819.64	501,223.47	614,786.25	739,440,49	754,358.25	757,831.07	646,848.38	767,436.67	731,362.49	746,322,35	730,597,00	8,065,635.13	
MONTH	07 31 2020	08 31 2020	09 30 2020	10 31 2020	11 30 2020	12 31 2020	01 31 2021	02 28 2021	03 31 2021 ]	04 30 2021	05 31 2021	06 30 2021	TOTAL:	

# NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT

### June 30, 2021

FALLBROOK	BALANCE	INTEREST RATE	
County of San Diego/General Fund - FBK	2,084,458.73	0.01%	Operating
County of San Diego/General Fund - RNBW	1,505,570.00	0.01%	Operating
County of San Diego/Capital Reserve	402,943.05	0.01%	Capital Reserves
County of San Diego/Fire Mitigation Fund - FBK	715,482.40	0.01%	Mitigation Fees
County of San Diego/Fire Mitigation Fund - RNBW	4,082.10	0.01%	Mitigation Fees
Local Agency Investment Fund	2,155,225.14	0.26%	LAIF
Workers' Comp JPA	487,021.22	0.26%	PASIS Funds
Bank of America/PASIS	105,756.52	0.01%	
First National/Benefit Fund	156,845.31	0.50%	
First National/Payroll	1,034,770.45	0.50%	
First National/Accounts Payable	36,438.64	0.50%	
First National/Accounts Receivable	554,969.80	0.50%	1.
Pacific Western Bank/Accounts Receivable	2,677,002.73	0.00%	
TOTAL	11,920,566.09		-

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<b>PROTECTION</b>	FY 2020/20
FIRE	COST RECOVERY FY
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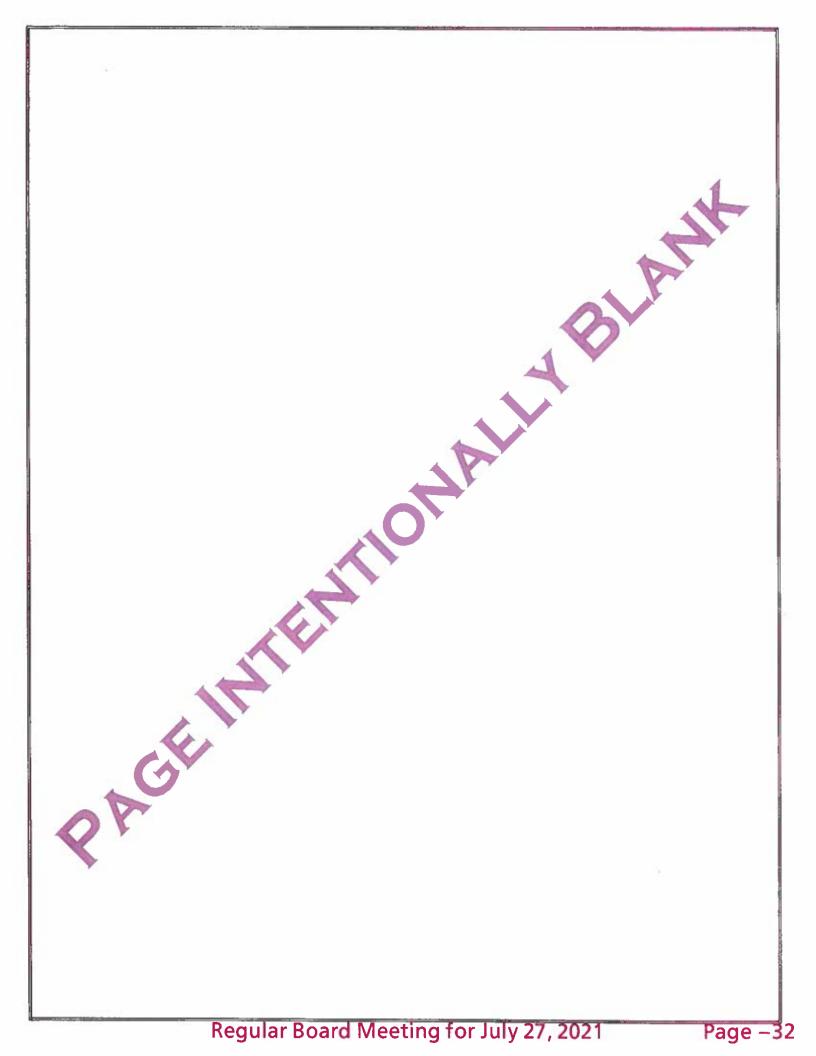
Month	Billed	Collected	YTD % Collected	Billing <u>Fees</u>	Net Revenue <u>20/21</u>	Net Revenue <u>19/20</u>
7 31 2020	6,940.75	6,636.04	95.61%	1,327.21	5,308.83	2,791.46
8 30 2020	4,267.15	3,342.00	78.32%	668.40	2,673.60	10,144.80
9 30 2020	2,781.75	2,583.33	92.87%	516.67	2,066.66	3,820.80
10 31 2020	3,127.50	3,127.50	100.00%	625.50	2,502.00	7,134.40
11 30 2020	5,364.25	3,413.90	63.64%	682.78	2,731.12	4,703.90
12 31 2020	3,715.50	3,528.81	94.98%	705.76	2,823.05	5,374.67
1 31 2021	13,467.75	8,427.08	62.57%	1,685.42	6,741.66	7,444.82
2 28 2021	3,493.00	3,091.25	88.50%	618.25	2,473.00	5,974.40
3 30 2021	7,746.75	7,463.77	96.35%	1,492.75	5,971.02	10,046.76
4 30 2021	4,607.00	4,336.24	94.12%	867.25	3,468.99	8,884.00
5 31 2021	8,374.50	6,367.49	76.03%	1,273.50	5,093.99	11,421.86
6 30 2021	10,716.75	7,283.50	67.96%	1,456.70	5,826.80	2,667.60
TOTAL:	74,602.65	59,600.91	79.89%	11,920.18	47,680.73	80,409.47
					Net Rev Increase	-40.70%

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# NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT FIRE CHIEF/CEO

- TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- FROM: KEITH MCREYNOLDS, FIRE CHIEF/CEO
- DATE: JULY 27, 2021
- SUBJECT: STANDING ITEM: POLICIES AND PROCEDURES
  - 1. None.





TO:	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
FROM:	FINANCE MANAGER JUUL AND CHIEF MCREYNOLDS
DATE:	JULY 27, 2021
SUBJECT:	FOURTH QUARTER OVERTIME TRACKING REPORT

# **CONSENT AGENDA**

## BACKGROUND:

This report is designed to provide an overview of the overtime expenditures in comparison with the budgeted amounts and historical usage. In addition, this report documents overtime based on the leave that generates it and includes reimbursements from providing Mutual Aid.

### DISCUSSION:

The attached charts provide multiple views of overtime usage and the leave that generates it. The reporting periods coincide with the month divisions and not pay periods. Therefore, there may be variations from month to month. An increase in overtime may be attributed to an additional pay period falling within that particular month or unusually high overtime due to an event or mutual aid activity. Two charts are included to give a quick visual comparison of the tracked areas:

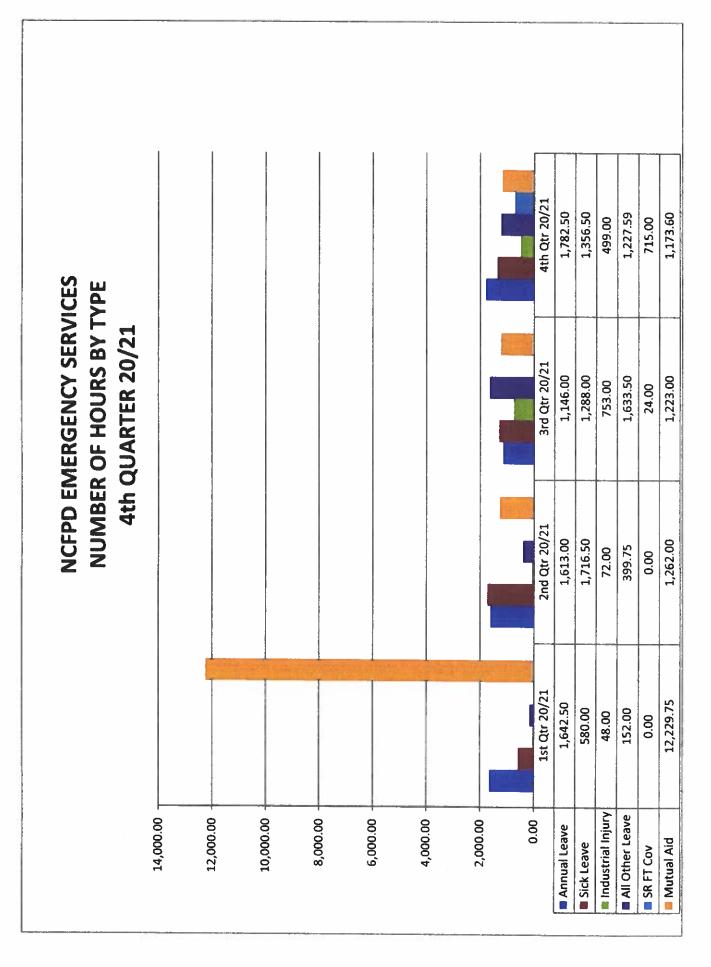
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- Two Year Overtime History
- Total Overtime and Reimbursement
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# FISCAL ANALYSIS:

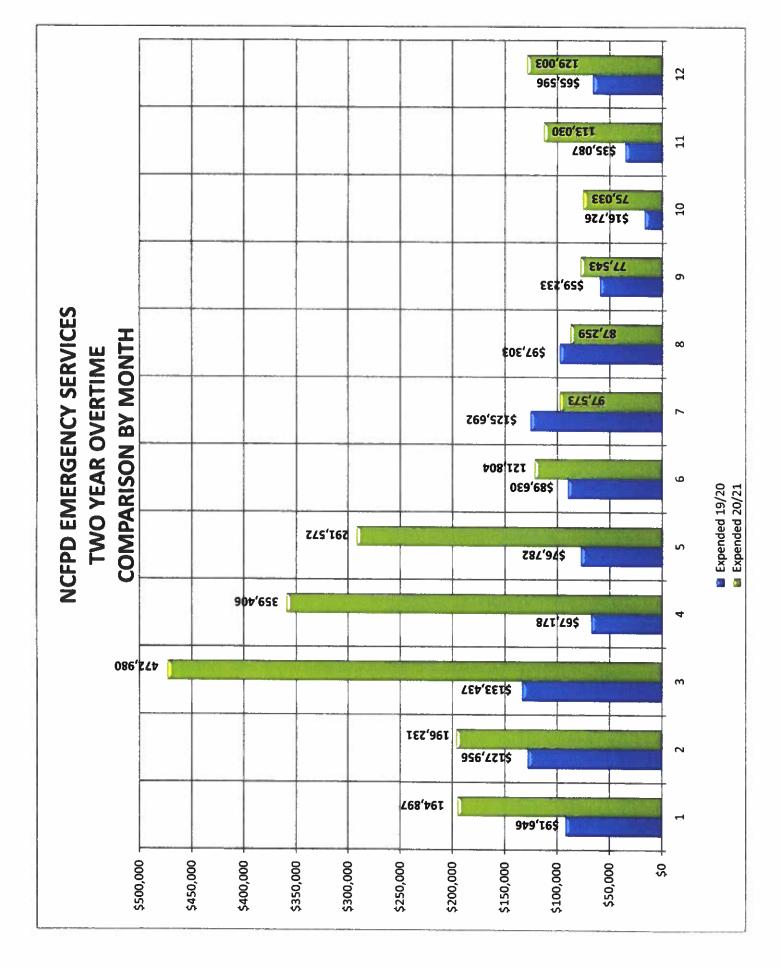
Annual leave went up 17% and sick leave increased by 42%. Current overtime is 103.10% expended, but the District has outstanding reimbursements for mutual aid in the amount of \$169,942.30 which will reduce the overtime down to 87.10% of the current budget.

### SUMMARY:

Information only, no action needed.

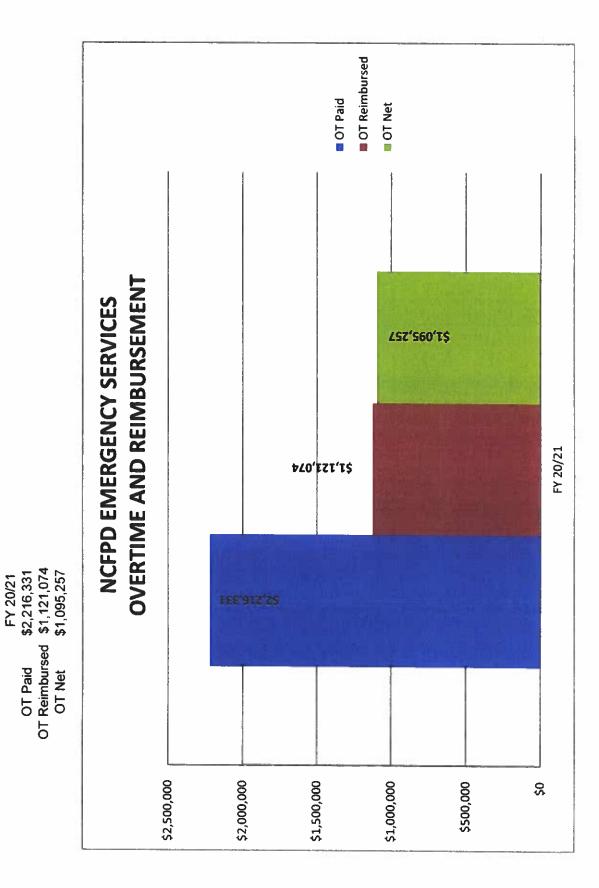


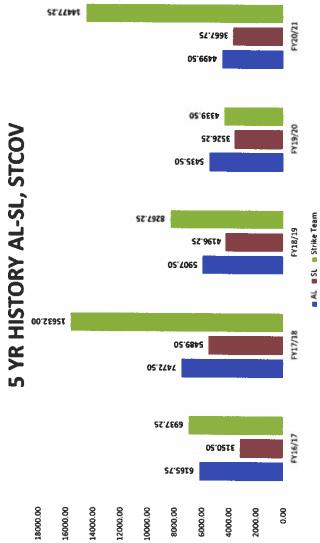
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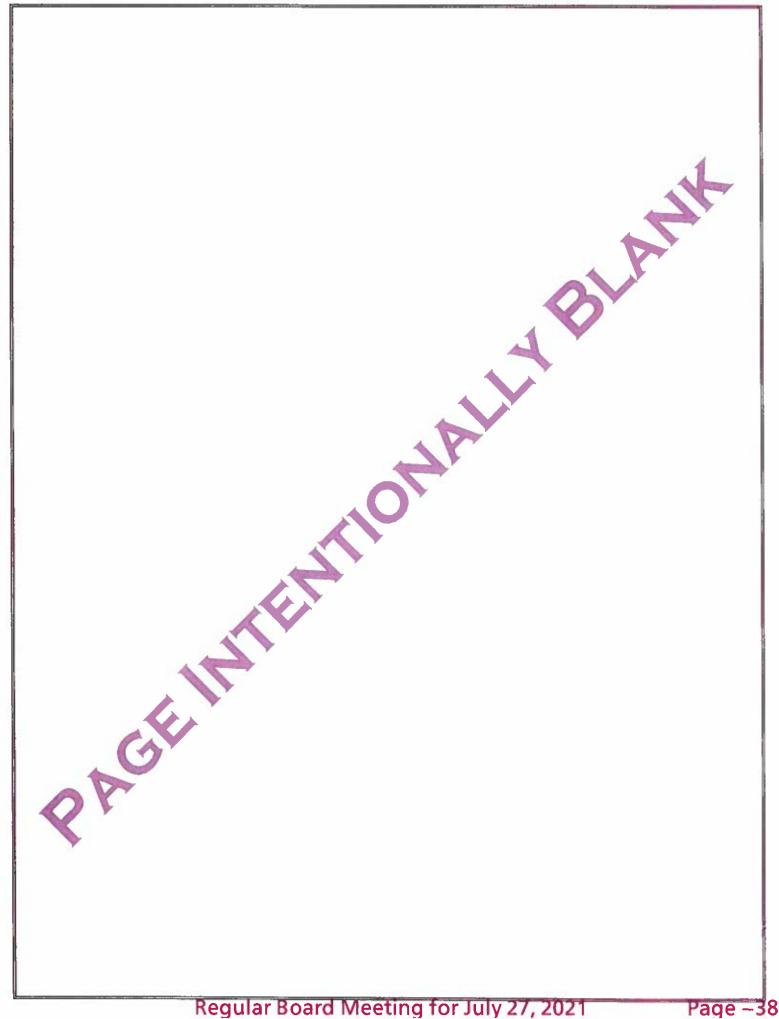
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#### NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

**OPERATIONS** 

TO:	Board of Directors
FROM:	Operations/EMS Division and Chief McReynolds
DATE:	Tuesday, July 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2021
SUBJECT:	Customer Satisfaction Survey Program, 2021 – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter Results

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

#### RECOMMENDATION:

Review the report as submitted. In looking at the overall percentage of satisfaction with our service, our customers continue to rate their level of satisfaction overwhelmingly in the "excellent" category.

#### BACKGROUND:

This report focuses on two areas, direct feedback based on surveys sent to patients transported by North County Fire and our Service/Sympathy card program. The distribution of the survey is based on the 2020 Payer Class percentages according to our ambulance billing company, Wittman Enterprises. This quarter's customer satisfaction results incorporate surveys received from April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The following is a listing of the type and number of individual payer classes that are randomly mailed surveys on a monthly basis.

2021 Payer Class	
Private Commercial Insurance (includes Champus/Active Duty)	26
Medi Cal	10
Medicare (includes Senior HMO)	54
Cash	10
Total	100

#### **DISCUSSION:**

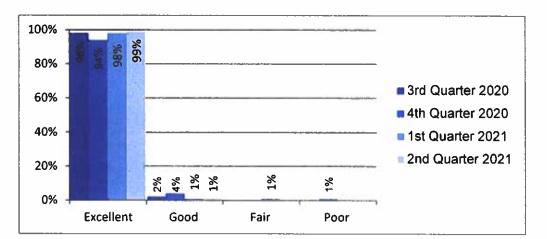
The survey results are reported on quarterly intervals to all safety employees. The sharing of this information with all employees provides a heightened awareness regarding our customer's experience in the field. If a system or human deficiency trend is noted, the management staff will coordinate any measures necessary to correct the problem.

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#### Customer Satisfaction Survey Program Tuesday, July 27, 2021 Page 2 of 3

The first section of the *Satisfaction Survey Form* evaluates the customer's overall satisfaction with our service by rating it from "Excellent" to "Poor." The second section of the form allows the customer to provide comments on their perception of the service they received. This quarter 300 surveys were mailed, and 79 surveys were returned (26%).

Ninety-eight percent (98%) or 77, of the surveys returned indicated "excellent" customer satisfaction as indicated on the chart below:



#### 2020-2021 Customer Satisfaction Results

The customer comment portion of the survey has proven to be most effective by allowing us to hear the customer's opinions or concerns firsthand, thus allowing us to mitigate any problems as quickly as possible. These comments are reported on *Attachment-A* of this report.

In order to maintain Continual Quality Improvement (CQI) for this program, the responses are reviewed for any unusual comments or areas of concern. When necessary, incident documents will be reviewed. If a poor rating or adverse report is noted, the Operations Chief reaches out to seek clarification and ultimately improve services. If indicated, this review may warrant further investigation or training to mitigate potential customer service issues.

#### SERVICE/SYMPATHY CARD PROGRAM:

The District continues to utilize a Service/Sympathy Card Program to promote excellence in our emergency delivery services. This particular program allows our firefighters to correspond with our customers by personally signing and mailing "Service Cards." This post-incident program has proven invaluable in maintaining a positive relationship with our community through personal contact between our firefighters and the customers they serve. The "Sympathy Cards" are utilized in the same way by corresponding concern with a deceased patient's family.

#### *Customer Satisfaction Survey Program Tuesday, July 27, 2021 Page 3 of 3*

The following data identifies the total number of Service and Sympathy cards completed by each crew during this report's time frame:

	"A" CREW	"B" CREW	"C" CREW	TOTAL
2 <sup>ND</sup> Q 2021	72	94	65	231
1 <sup>st</sup> Q 2021	80	93	72	245
4 <sup>TH</sup> Q 2020	78	140	96	314
3 <sup>RD</sup> Q 2020	122	131	86	339

The above numbers represent 31% of total cards sent by A Shift, 41% of total cards sent by B Shift and 28% of total cards sent by C Shift.

#### FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The increased use of Service Cards has contributed to increased expenditures in both printing and postage. Annually, the Program costs approximately \$2,000.00 to operate. It is our belief that enhanced public relations and the benefits these cards represent is worth the expenditure.

#### SUMMARY:

The North County Fire Protection District takes seriously the demeanor and professional conduct of its employees while providing emergency services. Our Customer Survey Program provides a tool to measure and quantify this area and if necessary, implement and/or modify the emergency delivery system to ensure its ability to meet customer expectations. This program, which is now in its seventeenth year, consistently reflects a high degree of satisfaction with the services delivered by the employees of the North County Fire Protection District, beginning from the request for service up to and including final mitigation of the incident.





Intake	Date Received	Follow Up	Customer Comments
21-02-01	4/6/2021		To whom it may concern, unfortunately I do not remember the names of the three gentlemen who came to my rescue but all of them were amazing professionals who took care of me until the ambulance came. They made sure I was fine the whole time they were here with me! God bless them. Thank you to all firefighters for helping people and putting their own lives at risk for us. Thank you again for your service.
21-02-02	4/6/2021		What can I say, they were excellent. I can't see where they can improve at all. I had to use them on two different times.
21-02-03	4/6/2021		We called the NCPD three times this year. Each time the men who came were polite and caring, very kind! What impressed me the most was that they allowed my very sick husband to keep his dignity. I will be ever grateful to those men for their help.
21-02-04	4/22/2021		My husband awoke on the morning of March 4 <sup>th</sup> and his hands were trembling and he felt clammy. I called 911 and the men were here in less than five minutes. They were very respectful. One of the EMTs stayed behind to talk with me and he was very kind and understanding. My husband died at home on March 11 <sup>th</sup> . Two years prior to his death he fell in our back yard and broke his hip. Again, I called 911 and the EMTs were extremely patient while trying to get him out of the gurney as he was overweight. I can't say enough good things about the North County Fire Fighters. They are angels on earth!
21-02-05	4/22/2021		The men were very courteous, treated me with respect, calmed what ever fears I had. Even when I was at the hospital the young men stopped by to see how I was, and hoped I got better. It's good you have people like these guys working for you. Thank you.
21-02-06	4/23/2021		At 94 years young, I really thought I was on my way to eternal rest. After 47 years at this address and witnessing all the good you all have done over the past year, all I can say is "thank you." What can I say, the young men won me over because I said no hospital, but they convinced me to go and our Lord provided the rest.
21-02-07	4/23/2021		Our emergency was handled perfectly and with the utmost professionalism. What a wonderful bunch of guys. Took good care of us old folk.
21-02-08	4/23/2021		The fire department was efficient, kind, and helped when I fell in the garden and broke my nose. No suggestions for improvement.
21-02-09	4/23/2021		Thank you so much for the outstanding manner in which you handled the situation during our time in need. We are proud to say that "we" are a part of the fire department family. – Retired Fire Department Captain
21-02-10	4/23/2021		I called the fire department to help me get my husband off the floor, who had fallen. He also had dementia and was dependent on me for his care. Since then my husband has passed away. I was grateful for the fire men for their prompt assistance. I had written a letter of appreciation to them since they gave me their names. The fire department is a vital part of our community.





Intake Number	Date Received	Follow Up	Customer Comments
21-02-11	4/24/2021		Everyone that came to my house to help with my dad's stroke was very professional and helpful. Unfortunately, my dad's stroke was so severe that he passed away. Thank you again for the service you provide to our community.
21-02-12	4/24/2021		My mother had fallen and needed help getting up. The fire department arrived promptly and quickly got her up and transported to the hospital to get checked out. She was very pleased with the firefighters and the help she received from them.
21-02-13	4/24/2021		This is the second time that we have required the service of NCFPD. Each time they were prompt and professional. I felt assured that my husband was getting the necessary assessment and transport to the hospital. Thank you.
21-02-14	4/27/2021		Excellent.
21-02-15	4/27/2021		Both my husband and I have had to use the services of the Faltbrook paramedics. My experience of falling down at home was unexpected and bloody so f was happy getting help so quickly. My head was wrapped up so it wouldn't move. The ride to the hospital E.R. was a little bumpy but safe. Getting 12 staples on my head was a little scary. My doctor removed the staples in about two weeks and the wound healed and hurts a little now. Getting to the ER quickly really helped my recovery. I miss our Fallbrook hospital.
21-02-16	4/28/2021		North County Fire was excellent. They didn't seem to be judgmental. I hope they did a proper assessment and I'm sure they probably did! My great grandfather was a fire chief in Texas. The fire department men and women mean a lot to my heart.
21-02-17	4/28/2021		Excellent.
21-02-18	4/28/2021		I have nothing but good words for NCFPD. I'm not in the habit of filling out questionnaires. But you've sent me so many I'll do it this time. Your time is prompt and courteous and I always feel I'm in safe hands. I can think of only one thing as an improvement I need to stop having to go to the emergency room so much.
21-02-19	5/5/2021		Great guys. Very helpful and caring.
21-02-20	5/10/2021		The entire crew was great. They got there very quickly to help me. They gave me the care I needed at the scene and got me to the hospital quickly. Can't thank them enough.
21-02-21	5/10/2021		Excellent.
21-02-22	5/11/2021		It is comforting to know this station is manned 24/7 with skilled firefighters and paramedics. We live five minutes from the station and found stopping there meant we could get an EKG and decide if an ambulance ride to the hospital was necessary. It would be nice if a bed or gurney were there to allow a patient to lay down while having their vitals checked. Thank you.
21-02-23	5/11/2021		Excellent.
21-02-24	5/12/2021		Excellent.





intake Number	Date Received	Follow Up	Customer Comments
21-02-25	5/12/2021		My wife and I were in a very precarious circumstance. She had fallen into me causing me to fall. She was motionless on the garage floor and I could not put any weight on my right leg. The paramedics were quick, courteous, and extremely competent. After loading us in the ambulance, they made sure that our house was securely locked. They responded from the Bonsall and Winterwarm stations. We are in recovery now and extremely grateful. I don't know how their services could be improved.
21-02-26	5/14/2021		All were very professional! Thank you!
21-02-27	5/18/2021		The doctor's office called 911. Three paramedics drove me to Palomar. The head medic was very professional and knowledgeable. Overall A+.
21-02-28	5/19/2021	Followed up. Customer satisfied.	The people are outstanding and thoughtful and compassionate. Some additional training in dealing with fall victims and equipment to help with obese individuals is needed. Overall North County is lucky to have such fine firemen and women in its employ and god bless them and the work they do.
21-02-29	5/20/2021		Excellent
21-02-30	5/20/2021		I don't know enough about your job to make any suggestions. Everything you guys did looked good to me.
21-02-31	5/20/2021		This was my first ambulance experience. They were very calming and thorough.
21-02-32	5/20/2021		Excellent.
21-02-33	5/21/2021		Everyone was calm and engaging. Really made everyone on property feel at ease. I really appreciate all of the help.
21-02-34	5/21/2021		Excellent.
21-02-35	5/21/2021		I thank everyone for being so kind and taking such good care of me. Thank you.
21-02-36	5/21/2021		The response was prompt, professional, and could not have been better!
21-02-37	5/21/2021	· 0.6 10 ·	Good.
21-02-38	5/21/2021		The crew was professional and very understanding of the patient's difficulty with his cognitive functioning. A big thank you to our Fallbrook firefighters.
21-02-39	5/21/2021		Thank you so much for taking care of me, everyone was wonderful! I appreciate all of you!
21-02-40	5/21/2021		The paramedics arrived at our residence within 5-10 minutes after calling 911. They immediately took control of the emergency and I felt confident that I would be in the best care possible at that moment. I am very grateful for their response. No suggestions for improvement.
21-02-41	5/22/2021		I was involved in a car accident in Fallbrook. As a result, I was transported to Palomar hospital. My car was totaled, and firemen rescued me quickly. I had driven down a cliff. THEY WERE THE BEST! Thank you for good service.
21-02-42	5/22/2021		Everyone was very professional and kind. Made me feel like my daughter was in good hands.
21-02-43	5/20/2013		I am very grateful for the great firemen and the respect they showed me. May good bless you and your family

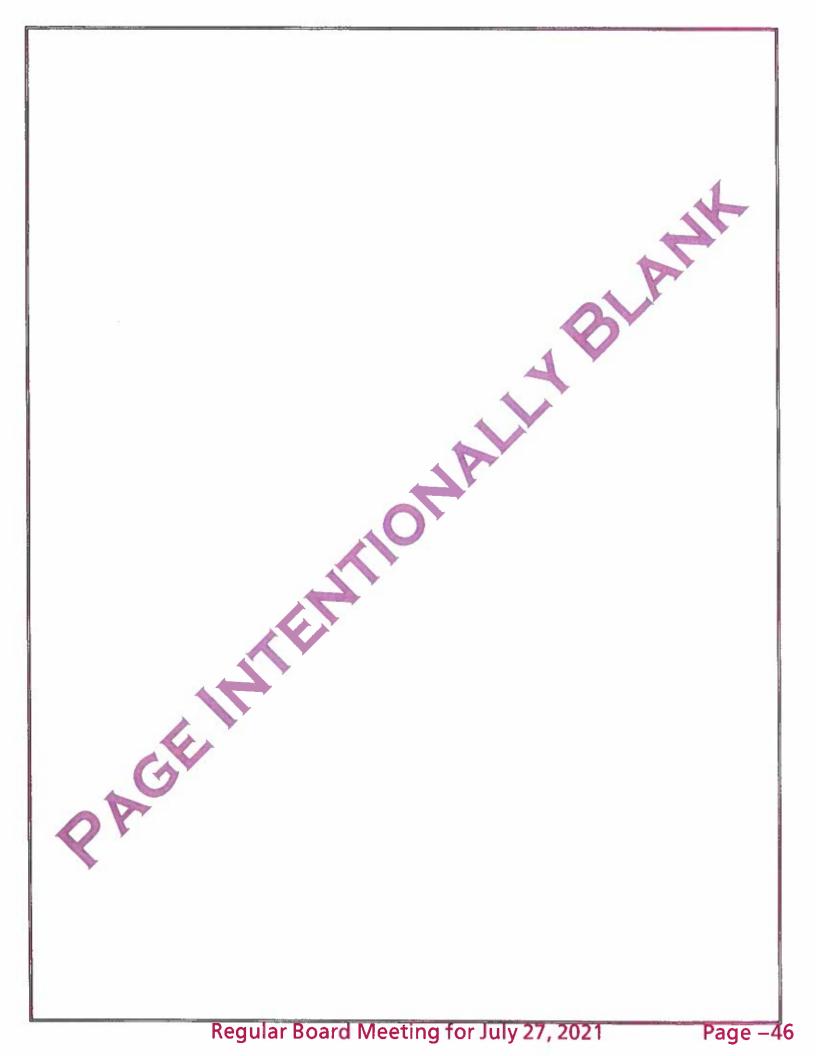
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21-02-44	6/1/2021		The fire personnel who responded were very professional, respectful, and kind. I was impressed with their ability to "think outside the box" when handling this call. NCF was able to coordinate with OFD, Camp Pendleton, SDSU, CHP to address any issue during this call. The service provided in the field was outstanding. We have requested the audio from the 911 call and would be interested in anything that can be released. Thank you.
21-02-45	6/1/2021		All the fire fighters were very efficient and polite. Very alert and concerned.
21-02-46	6/1/2021		Came promptly, were kind and helpful. Took us to emergency with husband's broken hip.
21-02-47	6/1/2021		Everyone was thorough and accommodating. Thank you for your assistance!
21-02-48	6/1/2021		Everyone was fantastic. They were patient, attentive, kind, and comforting. They took excellent care of my son and calmed my nerves. Thank you!
21-02-49	6/3/2021		I was so thankful for the fire department's assistance during this medical episode. They were so helpful with my children and made me feel extremely safe and comfortable. Much thanks and appreciation!
21-02-50	6/5/2021		No suggestions. They were prompt and very knowledgeable. They ask the right questions to determine my problem. Thank you very much!
21-02-51	6/7/2021		The firemen and paramedics have always been wonderful to me!
21-02-52	6/11/2021		I have no suggestions at all because I'm very pleased with the service, professionalism, and timing of arrival. Thank you!





#### NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

FLEET MAINTENANCE DIVISION

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: DEPUTY CHIEF MAHR AND CHIEF MCREYNOLDS

- **DATE:** JULY 27, 2021
- SUBJECT: ANNUAL FLEET SERVICES REPORT

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

#### BACKGROUND:

This annual report is intended to provide the Board with information pertaining to the condition and status of the NCFPD fleet of vehicles. Fleet maintenance is responsible for the maintenance and repair of all NCFPD vehicles, generators and other associated power equipment and tools.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

The two mechanics in Fleet Services work diligently to repair and maintain the Districts fleet of vehicles, facility generators and multiple other pieces of smaller power equipment. It is worth mentioning that having this very specialized fleet services capability within our own agency is of tremendous value. Having this capability in-house not only allows for detailed preventative maintenance which ultimately reduces out of service times on vehicles, but the service center also performs a variety of other specialty functions that would otherwise have to be sublet out to other vendors, which would have a significantly higher financial impact to the District.

During FY20/21 the District placed an order for three F150 Pickup trucks to replace two aging Chief Officer vehicles and the Fire Marshal vehicle. The delivery of these three vehicles has been delayed due to COVID so the project has been caried over to FY21/22. The District deemed surplus and sold three pieces of fire apparatus during FY20/21.

FLEET NUMBER	UNIT AGE	UNIT MIL	EAGE
	2021	2020	2021
19023	2	10,497	20,735
19022	2	9,846	19,180
12021	9	54,750	61,975
12020	9	94,334	104,149
08018	13	<del>9</del> 8,516	105,962
Avg. Age and Miles	7.0	53589	62400

#### Front Line Engine Age and Mileage:

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NFPA recommends replacement of front-line engines at 15 years.

#### **Reserve Engine Age and Mileage:**

Fleet Number	Unit Age	Unit Mil	eage
	2021	2020	2021
06017	15	123,370	131,703
03015	18	139,633	142,796
Avg. Age and Miles	16.5	131,501	137,250

NFPA recommends replacement of reserve engines at 20 years. The Board has already approved replacement of both units during FY18/19.

#### Front Line Ambulance Age and Mileage:

Fleet Number	Unit Age	Unit Mil	eage
	2021	2020	2021
20423	1	0	34,613
18422	3	57,733	96,378
1842 <u>1</u>	3	57,449	94,147
Avg. Age and Miles	2.3	57,591	75,046

The goal is to have these units in front line status for 3 years. The District has funded and will remount one ambulance FY21/22.

#### **Reserve Ambulance Age and Mileage:**

FLEET NUMBER	UNIT AGE	UNIT MI	EAGE
	2021	2020	2021
17420	4	155,716	179,749
16419	5	120,945	129,571
Average	4.5	138,330	154,660

The agency goal is to have these units in reserve status for 2 years.

#### Type 3 (Brush) Engine Age and Mileage:

FLEET NUMBER	UNIT AGE	UNIT MILE	AGE
	2021	2020	2021
18317	3	6,472	13,725
02314	19	39,608	40,785
02312	19	32,101	33,171
Avg. Age and Miles	12	29,755	29,227

NFPA recommends replacement at 15 years. The District has funded and will be taking delivery of a new Type 3 during FY21/22. This will replace one of the existing 02 units.

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#### **Chief Officer Vehicles:**

UNIT	Unit Age	UNIT MIL	UNIT MILEAGE	
	2021	2020	2021	
20642	1		3073	
17639	4	37,817	47,147	
17638	4	23,638	28,916	
08636	13	107,958	111,153	
08635	13	133,998	139,625	
08634	13	103,435	114,058	
Avg. Age and Miles	7	81,369	73,995	

These vehicles are replaced between 10 -15 years depending on mileage and purpose and are then used to replace older support staff vehicles within the District.

#### Staff / Support Vehicles / Misc.:

Unit	Unit Age	Mileage	
	2021	2020	2021
20641	2	1,946	24,766
18640	3	19,454	24,494
08637	13	27,670	29,880
07633	14	117,493	117,774
04631	17	92,195	96,439
04630	17	150,987	159,271
03629	18	48,216	52,073
02628	18	94,213	99,027
01627	20	138,633	145,437
00626	21	37,474	38,907
Avg. Age and Miles	15	72,828	78,807

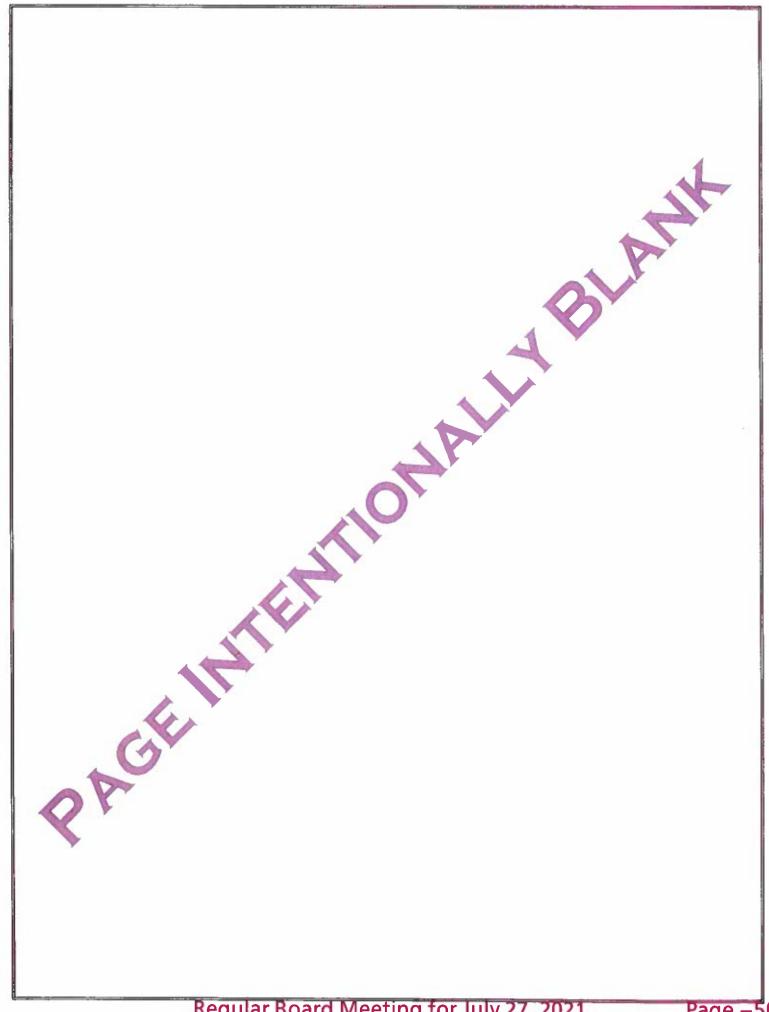
These vehicles are replaced at 15 years depending on mileage and purpose. Some of the vehicles in this table are retired Chief Officer vehicles that have been repurposed. The District has funded and will be replacing the mechanic service truck during FY21/22.

#### FISCAL ANALYSIS:

Fleet Services Department 108 continues to maintain fiscal responsibility by operating within budget.

#### SUMMARY:

The District continues to make progress in the required replacement of vehicles. Moving forward, it will be important that the District continue to fund and replace vehicles in accordance with the adopted Capital Equipment Plan.





#### NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

TRAINING DIVISION

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: D/C MACMILLAN AND CHIEF MCREYNOLDS

**DATE:** JULY 27, 2021

SUBJECT: 2021 TRAINING PROGRAM PROGRESS REPORT

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Board information only, no action required.

#### BACKGROUND:

The purpose of the District's Training Program is to ensure a state of readiness with the skills and knowledge necessary to respond and perform both emergency and nonemergency operations effectively, efficiently and safely. Minimum established monthly training hours for Safety members (20 hours) meet requirements established by the Insurance Services Office (ISO) and industry standards. In addition, the Training Program ensures compliance with various Local, State and Federal mandates regarding training of emergency personnel.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

The NCFPD Training Division continues to serve all the various ranks and groups in the organization. Chief Officers, Captains, Engineers, Firefighters, Single Role EMT's, Paramedics, Support Staff and Administrative Staff all receive training on various levels. We not only provide and support in-house training, but a considerable amount of external training such as the Palomar College Fire Academy and Emergency Education Program, North Zone Joint Training and Regional Training.

The Training Division has been able to continue its multi-company training exercises due to the successful vaccination program. These trainings exercises replicate real incidents and help us provide instruction that meets or exceeds minimum standards. Here are some of the highlights of this year's training to date:

- SDGE Incident Command and Chiefs Training
- San Diego County Wildland Drill
- Palm Tree Rescue

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- Blue Card Sets and Reps
- Swift Water Rescue Training

Emergency Medical Education also remains a high priority to keep our personnel highly trained in Emergency Medical Service skills and abilities.

Captain Pete August has assumed the role of the Assistant Training Officer and is responsible for finalizing the monthly training calendar and coordinating the training curriculum with the Training Cadre lead instructors.

Engineer Chad Spencer has taken the lead on building a new vertical ventilation prop which will be located behind the Scout Hut. This prop will allow crews to practice both residential and commercial ventilation techniques. Our goal is to have this completed by the end of the year.

The Training Division in collaboration with Nancy Goss from Human Resources, completed new hire and promotional testing to include Public Outreach Communication Specialist, Single Role EMT and Paramedic, Firefighter/Paramedic, Engineer, Captain, Battalion Chief, Division Chief and Fire Chief/CEO. Thirteen NCF members are currently on probation with their training and testing being tracked and monitored by HR and Training.

Lastly, thank you to the Crew Training Cadre Leads and members who help provide quality training for the entire department.

#### <u>Wildland</u>

Capt. Rob DeCamp Capt. Chris Mattarollo Eng. Nick Crilly Eng. Bruce Moore

#### Truck Operations

Capt. Ryan Garing Capt. Danny Sahagun Eng. Matt Lindsey Eng. Collin Baker

#### Multi-Company

Capt. Pete August Capt. Rick Rees Capt. Tom Harrington

#### Driver/Operator

Eng. Tyler Ruiz Capt. Mike Benoit Eng. Sam Russell

#### Rope Rescue

Capt. Joey Bradshaw Eng. Sam Russell Eng. Tyler Ruiz FF Ryan Lewis

<u>Live Burn</u> FF Justin Rivera FF Jorge Gonzalez FF Rob Hager Capt. Danny Sahagun FF Dennis Soriano

<u>Explorer Program</u> FF Rob Hager FF Zach Cain

Haz Mat Capt. Ryan Garing

#### **Auto Extrication**

Capt. Joel Hammer Eng. Matt Lindsey Eng. Joe Harlin

EMS MSO Mary Murphy Capt. Pete August FF Josh Kortekaas

Pump Testing Eng. Joseph Harlin

#### Fire Command/ICS

Capt. Tom Harrington Capt. Joey Bradshaw Capt. Pete August

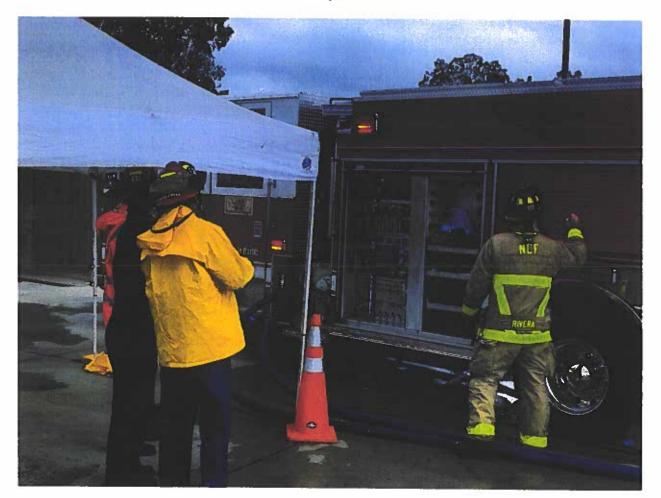
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Total Training Hours Through July 19, 2021		
Total Hours logged:	11,994	
Average Total Hours per Month:	1,994	
Average Total Hours per Day:	66	

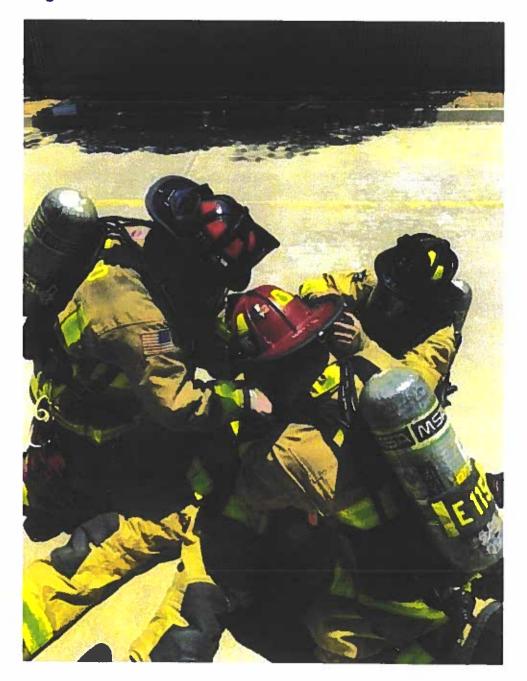
#### SUMMARY:

Training hours for our personnel, when evaluated on an average basis, remain above the minimum requirements. Through the talents of in-house and North Zone Training Cadres, NCF continues to deliver exceptional training practices to all our district's members.



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#### NORTH COUNTY FIRE

**PROTECTION DISTRICT** 

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: FM FIERI AND CHIEF MCREYNOLDS

**DATE:** JULY 27, 2021

SUBJECT: FIRE MITIGATION FEE MULTI-YEAR FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT PLAN

#### **ACTION AGENDA**

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

- Public Hearing 4:15 p.m. Time Certain for the establishment of a Multi-Year Facilities and Equipment Plan for the Fire Mitigation Fee (FMF) Program and adoption of Resolution No. 2021-08.
- Approve Fire Mitigation Fee Multi-Year Facilities and Equipment Plan Resolution No. 2021-08 as presented.
- Direct Staff to send the adoptive Resolution with mitigation expenditure justification letter to the County of San Diego.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

The District is required to adopt a Multi-Year Facilities and Equipment Plan to participate in the San Diego County Fire Mitigation Fee (FMF) program. FMF funds are restricted and can only be used for capital improvements. In FY 20/21 the FMF committee reapproved District expenditures toward debt service and construction of Fire Station #4. The Multi-Year Plan is required to be updated annually.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Staff has developed a FMF Multi-Year Facilities and Equipment Plan for the next five (5) years. The adoptive Resolution and mitigation expenditure justification letter will be sent to the County once approved. The plan identifies that the District will utilize the FMF funds for the fire station #4 project.

#### FISCAL ANALYSIS:

The projected Fire Mitigation Fee Revenue for FY 2021/2022 is anticipated to be approximately \$300,000.00 from fees and interest.

#### SUMMARY:

Adoption of the Fire Mitigation Fee Multi-Year Facilities and Equipment Plan will allow the District to continue to participate in the Fire Mitigation Fee Program for the purpose of collecting developer impact fees to offset increased demands upon District infrastructure.



#### NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT RESOLUTION NO. 2021-08

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA TO ADOPT A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR THE USE OF FIRE MITIGATION FEE REVENUE

**WHEREAS**, the North County Fire Protection District (District), imposes a mitigation fee pursuant to California Government Code Section 66000, et seq. (Mitigation Fee Act) and Chapter 3 of Division 10 of Title 8 (commencing with Section 810.301) of the San Diego County Code of Regulatory Ordinances (Fire Mitigation Fee Ordinance);

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 66002 of the Mitigation Fee Act, the governing body of a local agency that levies a mitigation fee may adopt a capital improvement plan, which shall be adopted by and annually updated by a resolution at a noticed public hearing;

WHEREAS, the County's Fire Mitigation Fee (FMF) Ordinance requires that fire agencies participating in the FMF Program adopt a five-year Capital Improvement Plan indicating the approximate location, size, time of availability, and cost estimates for long-term fire protection facilities and equipment (Facilities) to be financed with the FMF revenue; and

**WHEREAS**, notice of the hearing to update the District's Capital Improvement Plan was given, as required by law, as shown by the affidavit of publication on file herein.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT HEREBY RESOLVES** that the five-year Capital Improvement Plan for use of Fire Mitigation Fee revenue within the District is as follows:

FISCAL YEAR 2021/2022: 1. Fire Station 4 Project -Consulting/Engineering	\$300,000
FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023: 1. Fire Station 4 Project -Site Development	\$300,000
FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024: 1. Fire Station 4 -Construction/Debt Service Payback	\$400,000
FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025: 1. Fire Station 4 Construction/Debt Service Payback	\$400,000
FISCAL YEAR 2025/2026: 1. Fire Station 4 Construction/Debt Service Payback	\$400,000

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Resolution supersedes Resolution 2020-09 adopted July 28, 2020 to participate in the FMF Program.

**APPROVED, SIGNED and ADOPTED,** by the Board of Directors of the North County Fire Protection District, County of San Diego, State of California, on this **27<sup>th</sup> day of July**, **2021** by the following vote:

### NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT



**RESOLUTION 2021-08** 

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA ESTABLISHING A MULTI-YEAR FACILITIES AND EQUIPMENT PLAN FOR THE FIRE MITIGATION FEE PROGRAM

APPROVED:	27 <sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021
MOTION BY: SECOND BY:	
ROLL CALL RESULTS:	
AYES:	
NOES:	
ABSENT:	
ABSTAIN: RECUSED:	
RECUSED.	

John van Doorn, Board President

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the North County Fire Protection District thereof held on the **27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021**, and that the same now appears on record in the Office of the Board Secretary.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I hereto set my hand and affixed by official seal this 27th day of July, 2021.

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Loren-Stephen Porter, Board Secretary

ANNUAL REPORT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES CA GOV. CODE 66006 (B)(1) (A) AND (B)

# FIRE AGENCY: ALL PARTICIPATING FIRE AGENCIES

FISCAL YEAR: 2020/21

# (A) DESCRIPTION OF FEE

The fee is imposed on new development at the time of issuance of a building permit for new construction or expansion. Fee proceeds are used to fund new or expanded fire protection facilities and equipment necessary to meet the additional demand caused by new development in the district.

# (B) AMOUNT OF FEE

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Fire Agency	General Building	Agricultural Building w/o Sprinklers*	Agricultural Building w Sprinklers*	Greenhouse and Poultry House*
Alpine Fire Protection District	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Bonita-Sunnyside Fire Protection District	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
<b>Borrego Springs Fire Protection District</b>	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Deer Springs Fire Protection District	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Lakeside Fire Protection District	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
North County Fire Protection District	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Ramona Municipal Water District	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.1 <b>6</b>	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Rincon Del Diablo Municipal Water District	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
San Diego County Fire Protection District (formerly CSA No. 135)	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.0 <b>2</b>	\$ 0.01
San Marcos Fire Protection District	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.1 <b>6</b>	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
San Miguel Fire Protection District	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Valley Center Fire Protection District	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
Vista Fire Protection District	\$ 0.58	\$ 0.16	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.01
*Agricultural building as defined by the Uniform Bui	uilding Code.			

**\*\***The current rate/ last fee increase was adopted in FY 2018/19.

CoSD FMF Program FY 2020/21 Report

#### NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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Web: www.ncfire.org

July 27, 2021

Kat Anady San Diego County Fire Authority 5510 Overland Avenue, Suite 250 San Diego, CA 92123

#### Subject: Mitigation Expenditure Justification

Ms. Anady:

Please review and approve the use of mitigation funds for the North County Fire Protection District (NCFPD).

#### BACKGROUND:

Over the past decade, growth driven by new development has had a significant impact on the. Using information provided by SANDAG, between the years 2018 and 2050, the area served by the district will grow by nearly 25,000 residents (a 50% increase), thereby increasing our anticipated call volume by 50%. Since 1990 our call volume has escalated from 70 calls per thousand to 120 calls per thousand.

The District is seeking authorization to utilize the FMF for engineering/construction of a permanent facility for Fire Station #4 located at 4375 Pala Mesa Dr., Fallbrook. This fire station serves the I-15 corridor between Deer Springs and Temecula, an area that has experienced much of the District's new growth. The use of FMF funds for this facility was originally approved by the FMF Committee in FY 02/03, again in FY 06/07, and most recently in FY 18/19. The new anticipated total cost for construction is \$6.5M. I have attached the NCFPD Fire Mitigation Fee Multi-Year Facilities and Equipment Plan, Resolution 2021-08 for your review.

If you any questions, please contact me at (760) 723-2012.

Sincerely,

Keith McReynolds Fire Chief/CEO



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#### AFFIDAVIT OF PUBLICATION FALLBROOK, CALIFORNIA 92028 COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

I am a citizen of the United States, over twenty-one years of age, and the Associate Editor of said newspaper The Village News, Inc., 111 W. Alvarado St., Fallbrook, CA 92028 a newspaper adjudicated by the Superior Court, County of San Diego GIN013243 is a newspaper of general circulation, published and is circulated at least once a week in Fallbrook, County of San Diego, State of California.

#### The Notice of

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING to establish a Multi-Year Facilities and Equipment Plan for the Fire Mitigation Fee Program North County Fire Protection District

#### Legal Number: NA

Which the attached is a true printed copy, and Published in said newspaper for 2 weeks, and on the following day: 06/03/21, 06/10/21

in the regular issue of said newspaper, THE VILLAGE NEWS, INC., 111 W. Alvarado St., Fallbrook, CA 92028 and not in any other supplement. I certify and declare under penalty that this statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Dated: June 10, 2021 Fallbrook, California 92028

Lucette Moramana

Signature LUCETTE MORAMARCO ASSOCIATE EDITOR

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, 330 South MainAvenue, Faßbrook, California, County of San Diego, will conduct a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 27, 2021, at a time certain of 4:05 p.m. at the Fallbrook Public Utility District, 990 East Massion Road, Failbrook, California, (OR alternatively, If COVID-19 meeting restrictions should be imposed and continue to apply, the public hearing will be TELEPHONIC), to establish of the Fire Mitigation Fee Program to comply with Government Code §§66000-66002 and the County of San Diego Fire Mitigation Fee Ordinance.

Any taxpayer may appear at said time and place and be heard regarding this item.

Dominic Fierl, Fire Marshel North County Fire Protection District (760) 723-2010

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIREC-TORS OF THE NORTH COUNTY FIRE PRO-TECTION DISTRICT.

Loren Stephen-Porter Board Secretary

Dated: May 25, 2021

Published: June 3, 10, 2021



#### NORTH COUNTY FIRE

#### **PROTECTION DISTRICT**

FIRE PREVENTION BUREAU

TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS

FROM: DOMINIC FIERI, FIRE MARSHAL AND STEVE ABBOTT, FIRE CHIEF/CEO

DATE: JULY 27, 2021

SUBJECT: APPROVE/AUTHORIZE FIXED CHARGE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR WEED ABATEMENT

#### **ACTION AGENDA**

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Board approve and authorize the Administrative Staff to deliver the Fixed Charge Special Assessment forms to San Diego Property Tax Services on or before the deadline of August 10th, 2021.

#### BACKGROUND:

The Fire Prevention Bureau is responsible for the annual weed abatement of properties with hazardous growth that is not maintained by property owners. Throughout the year, staff has mailed weed abatement notices to those property owners who have a known or existing fire hazard on their parcel(s). The District maintains a Special Services Agreement with California Tree Services, Inc. to bring specifically hazardous properties into compliance with North County Fire Protection District's Ordinance No. 2000-01.

Property owners are required to remove dead/dying vegetation and annual growth from their property, maintaining the parcel in accordance with the District's Ordinance. Those who have failed to comply with District notices to abate within a specified time period have been brought to compliance by the District's Special Service contractor. The property owners have been invoiced for the final costs and fees associated with abating their parcel.

#### DISCUSSION:

The majority of property owners who received a Notice to Abate willingly complied within the timeframe allowed; however, some parcels were cleared by the Fire District. Administrative Staff has mailed courtesy notices and invoices requesting payment to the following non-compliant property owners:

#### APPROVE/AUTHORIZE FIXED CHARGE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR WEED ABATEMENT JULY 27, 2021 PAGE 2 OF 2

APN	COST TO ABATE	ADMIN FEES	TOTAL
1213510100	\$6,800.00	\$604.00	\$7,404.00
1060520900	\$6,400.00	\$604.00	\$7,004.00
1054412600	\$11,000.00	\$604.00	\$11,604.00
1210221800	\$11,000.00	\$604.00	\$11,604.00
TOTAL			\$37,616.00

The third final notice and request for payment was sent to the property owners on July 9<sup>th</sup>, noting the July 23<sup>rd</sup> payment deadline. A list of non-compliant owners has been publicly posted a minimum (3) days, having been posted June 9<sup>th</sup>. Those property owners who fail to pay by the July 31<sup>st</sup> deadline will remain on the list, which will be delivered to the County of San Diego no later than August 10th, 2021. The Board will be presented with the final list of properties eligible for the Special Tax Assessment at the July Board Meeting.

The County of San Diego will reimburse the Fire District for all applicable charges, including the administrative fees, and will include them on the owner's next property tax bill.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Abatement Packets originally submitted to Chief McReynolds
- 2. Invoices from California Tree Services
- 3. Receipts for Payments made by North County Fire
- 4. County required form Attachment B
- 5. Certification of Fixed Charge Special Assessment Attachment E

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#### NOTICE OF WEED ABATEMENT SPECIAL ASSESSMENT LISTING

The following parcel numbers will be sent to the County of San Diego as a special assessment on property taxes unless paid by close of business day July 31, 2021.

APN	COST TO ABATE	ADMIN FEES	TOTAL
1213510100	\$6,800.00	\$604.00	\$7,404.00
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1210221800	\$11,000.00	\$604.00	\$11,604.00
TOTAL	\$35,200.00	\$2,416.00	\$37,616.00

Loren Stephen-Porter Board Secretary Posted: June 9, 2021

#### **CERTIFICATION OF POSTING**

"I certify that this Notice was posted at the following locations: [1] the entrance of North County Fire Protection District Administrative Offices, [2] Fallbrook Public Utility District Administrative Offices and [3] the Roy Noon Meeting Hall, [4] District's website at <u>http://www.ncfire.org</u> The date of posting was June 9, 2021."

Board Secretary Loren Stephen-Porter:

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June 9, 2021



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330 South Main Ave. Fallbrook, CA 92028 Prevention Division

#### FINAL NOTICE - AFTER FORCED ABATEMENT

June 8, 2021

Sharon Thoreson and/or S Gayle Revocable Living Trust 4374 Highland Oaks Street Fallbrook, CA 92028 APN: 1213510101

DATE	AMOUNT	UNITS	DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
2/26/2021	\$604.00	1	Forced Weed Abatement Administrative Fee	\$	604.00
2/26/2021	\$6,800.00	1	Contracted Abatement Work	\$	6,800.00
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			*TOTA	L: \$	7,404.00

\*Note: The non-compliance weed abatement reinspections have already been submitted to a third party cost recovery organization and are not included in this amount.

#### FINAL NOTICE - AFTER FORCED ABATEMENT

Your cooperation is expected. Failure to pay or correct by July 23, 2021 will make you liable to the penalties provided by law and subject to forced abatement procedures in accordance with the Consolidated San Diego County Fire Code, Division II, Appendix II-A and NCFPD Ordinance 2000-01.

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#### California Tree Service, Inc

P.O. Box 2019 San Marcos, CA 92079-2019

#### Invoice

Date	Invoice #
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Bill To

Sharon Thoreson and/or S Gayle Revocable Living Trust 4374 Highland Oaks Street Fallbrook, CA 92028

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		121-351-0100	Due on recei	pt	2/26/202	L C	G-598rev
Quantity	Description	ı .	Rate	Ser	rviced	Class	Amount
	Cut all annual weeds on proper trees within 100ft of the house brush load width in same area. back from both structures. 2 days mulcher, 3 days-4 man (2/2/21-2/5/21)	and ADU. Reduce Trim vegetation	6,800.00	-			6,800.0
			<u>.</u>	1	<b>Fotal</b>		\$6,800.
Tax ID#3	3-0590043			F	Payment	s/Credits	\$0.
					Balanc	e Due	\$6,800.0

Phone #	Fax #		
760-510-8100	760-746-2867	E-mail	Web Site
		caltree222@vahoo.com	www.caltreeservice.com



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Fire Chief

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**NOTICE TO ABATE HAZARD – FINAL NOTICE** 

**NOTE: THIS IS NOT A NOTICE TO GRADE YOUR PROPERTY** 

Date: 11/17/2020

Dear: S GAYLE T REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST 4374 HIGHLAND OAKS ST FALLBROOK CA 92028

Parcel: 1213510100

San Diego County Property records show you as owner of the parcel number listed above. A recent survey determined that fire hazard(s) exist on your property as defined in North County Fire Protection District's Ordinance 2000-1 for vegetation management.

#### LOCATION OF HAZARD: 4374 HIGHLAND OAKS ST

#### PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE OF NOTICE FOR INSTRUCTION FOR ABATEMENT

(Visit www.ncfire.org to view Ordinance 2000-1 in its entirety).

THIS IS CONSIDERED FINAL NOTICE to abate the aforementioned fire hazard(s) on your property. <u>Hazard abatement must be accomplished within 10 days of this notice</u>. Properties that have not been cleared or do not comply with the requirements within 10 days will be subject to the district's *Forced Abatement Process*. Property owners are strongly urged to arrange for the clearing of their own parcels, as the above requirements are strictly enforced. NOTICE HAS BEEN SENT TO THE PROPERTY OWNER OF RECORD AND/OR POSTED ON YOUR PROPERTY ADVISING OF THE NEED TO ABATE FIRE HAZARDS BY THE POSTED DEADLINE. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT OF NON-COMPLIANCE REINSPECTION EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE DISTRICT.

DATE	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
11/27/2020	Non-Compliance Weed Abatement Reinspection	\$266.00

Should you choose not to abate the above hazard, nor make an appeal, the fire chief is authorized to hire a contractor to abate the hazard. The cost of abatement and a \$604.00 administrative fee for each parcel will be assessed to your property. If payment is not received from you, these charges will be placed on the parcel by the County Auditor and collected at the time and in the manner of ordinary property taxes.

If you do not own this property, have already cleared this property, feel you have received this notice in error, or wish to schedule an on-site meeting, please contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at (760) 723-2010 as soon as possible. Additionally, should you disagree with the determination that a hazard exists, you may request an administrative review with the Fire Marshal. Please include your property address and the inspector listed at the bottom of this notice with all inquiries.

Sincerely, Lars Beeghley, NCFPD

#### WARNING - ENVIRONMENTALLY PROTECTED PLANTS OR ANIMAL SPECIES

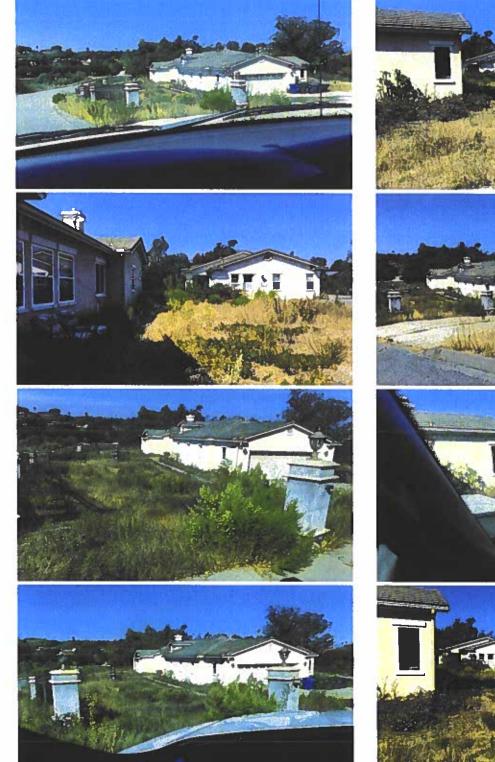
Clearing of vegetation as required by this letter that contains threatened or endangered species is subject to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG). Deliberate take or clearing or removal beyond that specifically allowed by this notice and the MOU is not authorized and may be in violation of the State and Federal Endangered Species Act. Please contact the fire district with questions about compliance with the MOU and this notice. You should also contact USFWS at (760) 431-9440 or CDFG (858) 467-4201 if you have been notified that you have a threatened or endangered species on your property.

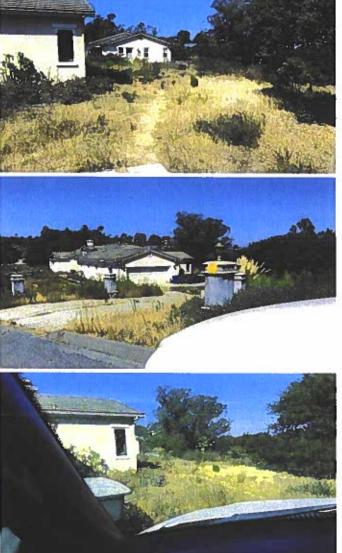
#### INSTRUCTIONS:

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NOTES: Cut all annual weeds on property. Trim up all trees within 100ft of home and ADU. Reduce brush load width

that same area, trim vegetation back from both structures.







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#### **NOTICE TO ABATE HAZARD NOTE: THIS IS NOT A PERMIT TO GRADE YOUR PROPERTY**

Date: 9/17/2020

Dear: S GAYLE T REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST 4374 HIGHLAND OAKS ST FALLBROOK CA 92028

Parcel: APN 1213510100

San Diego County Property records show you as owner of the parcel listed above. A recent survey determined that fire hazard(s) exist on your property as defined in North County Fire Protection District's Ordinance 2000-1 for vegetation management. The fire district's vegetation management program has proven effective in mitigating the spread of vegetation fires and has played a part in keeping the destruction from these fires to a minimum. By this notice, we are requiring owners within the fire district to ensure their property meets these fire safety requirements at all times; doing so will reduce the loss of life and property from vegetation fire. Please note: Some properties may require hazard abatement more than one time each year.

LOCATION OF HAZARD: 4374 HIGHLAND OAKS ST

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THIS IS CONSIDERED NOTICE to abate the aforementioned fire hazard(s) on your property in accordance with district Ordinance 2000-1. <u>Hazard abatement must be accomplished within 20 working days of this notice</u>. Properties that have not been cleared or do not comply with the requirements of Ordinance 2000-1 within 20 days will be subject to the district's Forced Abatement Process. Property owners are strongly urged to arrange for the clearing of their own parcels, as the above requirements are strictly enforced. If your property is forcibly abated, the cost will be much higher than if you choose to abate the property yourself or commercially.

If you do not own this property, have already cleared this property, feel you have received this notice in error, or wish to schedule an on-site meeting, please contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at (760) 723-2010 as soon as possible. Additionally, should you disagree with the determination that a hazard exists, you may request an administrative review with the Fire Marshal. Please include your property address and the inspector listed at the bottom of this notice with all inquiries. A \$ 266.00 Noncompliance fee may be assessed if the work is not completed within the 20-day notice time frame. Sincerely,

Dominic Fieri, Fire Marshal North County Fire Protection District

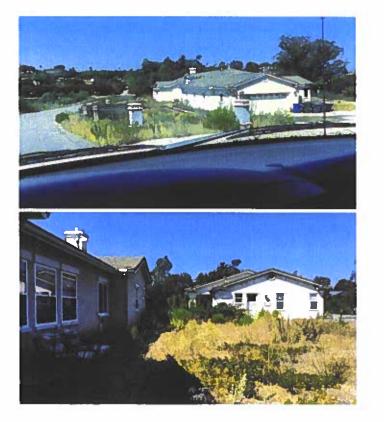
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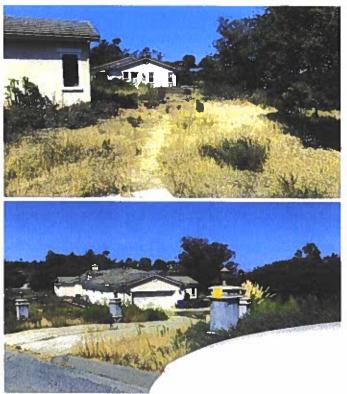
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NOTES: Cut all annual weeds on property. Trim up all trees within 100ft of home and ADU. Reduce brush load width that same area, trim vegetation back from both structures.





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#### FINAL NOTICE - AFTER FORCED ABATEMENT

June 8, 2021

Chen Der Bao & Wang Shihyun 1 Leucadia Irvine, CA 92602 APN: 1060520900

DATE	AMOUNT	UNITS	DESCRIPTION	Τ	TOTAL
2/26/2021	\$604.00	1	Forced Weed Abatement Administrative Fee	\$	604.00
2/26/2021	\$6,400.00	1	Contracted Abatement Work	\$	6,400.00
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			*TOTAL	: \$	7,004.00

\*Note: The non-compliance weed abatement reinspections have already been submitted to a third party cost recovery organization and are not included in this amount.

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#### Invoice

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1297 Palomino/ 0 Palomino Road Fallbrook, CA 92028

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		106-052-0900	Due on recei	pt 2/26	/2021	G-592rev
Quantity	Descriptio	n	Rate	Serviced	Class	Amount
	Cut all annual weeds on prope the fence line. 4 days - 4 man crew (2/1/21-2	100	6,400.00			6,400.04
				Total		\$6,400.0
Tax ID#3	3-0590043			Payme	ents/Credits	\$0.0
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760-510-8100 760-746-2867		E-mail	Web Site
		caltree222@yahoo.com	www.caltreeservice.com



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NOTICE TO ABATE HAZARD - FINAL NOTICE

NOTE: THIS IS NOT A NOTICE TO GRADE YOUR PROPERTY

Date: 10/14/2020

Dear: CHEN DER BAO&WANG SHIHYUN 1 LEUCADIA IRVINE CA 92602

Parcel: 1060520900

San Diego County Property records show you as owner of the parcel number listed above. A recent survey determined that fire hazard(s) exist on your property as defined in North County Fire Protection District's *Ordinance 2000-1* for vegetation management.

#### LOCATION OF HAZARD: 0 PALOMINO RD

#### PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE OF NOTICE FOR INSTRUCTION FOR ABATEMENT

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AMOUNT DUE: \$266.00 NONCOMPLIANCE REINSPECTION FEE

Should you choose not to abate the above hazard, nor make an appeal, the fire chief is authorized to hire a contractor to abate the hazard. The cost of abatement and a \$604.00 administrative fee for each parcel will be assessed to your property. If payment is not received from you, these charges will be placed on the parcel by the County Auditor and collected at the time and in the manner of ordinary property taxes.

If you do not own this property, have already cleared this property, feel you have received this notice in error, or wish to schedule an on-site meeting, please contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at (760) 723-2010 as soon as possible. Additionally, should you disagree with the determination that a hazard exists, you may request an administrative review with the Fire Marshal. Please include your property address and the inspector listed at the bottom of this notice with all inquiries.

Sincerely,

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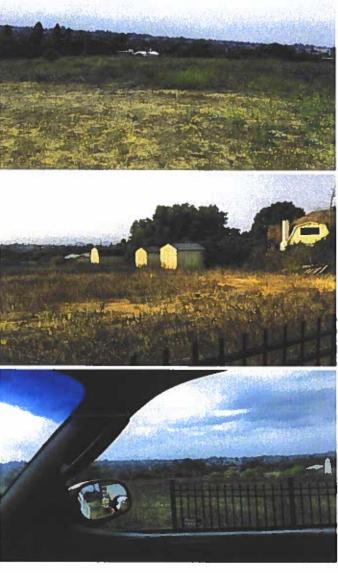
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See Notes - Please mow all weeds and annual grasses exceeding 6 inches in height on your entire property.

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NOTES: Cut all annual weeds on property with attention to the fence line too.





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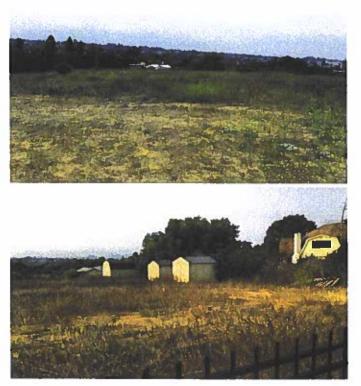
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### **NOTICE TO ABATE HAZARD – SECOND NOTICE**

NOTE: THIS IS NOT A NOTICE TO GRADE YOUR PROPERTY

Date: 9/17/2020

Dear: CHEN DER BAO&WANG SHIHYUN 1 LEUCADIA IRVINE CA 92602

Parcel: 1060520900

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#### LOCATION OF HAZARD: 0 PALOMINO RD

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THIS IS CONSIDERED SECOND NOTICE to abate the aforementioned fire hazard(s) on your property. <u>Hazard abatement must be accomplished within 10 days of this notice.</u> Properties that have not been cleared or do not comply with the requirements within 10 days will be subject to the district's *Forced Abatement Process*. Property owners are strongly urged to arrange for the clearing of their own parcels, as the above requirements are strictly enforced. NOTICE HAS BEEN SENT TO THE PROPERTY OWNER OF RECORD AND/OR POSTED ON YOUR PROPERTY ADVISING OF THE NEED TO ABATE FIRE HAZARDS BY THE POSTED DEADLINE. YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYMENT OF NON-COMPLIANCE REINSPECTION EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE DISTRICT.

DATE	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
9/27/2020	Non-Compliance Weed Abatement Reinspection	\$ 283.00

Should you choose not to abate the above hazard, nor make an appeal, the fire chief is authorized to hire a contractor to abate the hazard. The cost of abatement and a \$604.00 administrative fee for each parcel will be assessed to your property. If payment is not received from you, these charges will be placed on the parcel by the County Auditor and collected at the time and in the manner of ordinary property taxes.

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Sincerely, Lars Beeghley, NCFPD

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### **NOTICE TO ABATE HAZARD NOTE: THIS IS NOT A PERMIT TO GRADE YOUR PROPERTY**

Date: 7/29/2020

Dear: CHEN DER BAO&WANG SHIHYUN 1 LEUCADIA IRVINE CA 92602

Parcel: APN 1060520900

San Diego County Property records show you as owner of the parcel listed above. A recent survey determined that fire hazard(s) exist on your property as defined in North County Fire Protection District's Ordinance 2000-1 for vegetation management. The fire district's vegetation management program has proven effective in mitigating the spread of vegetation fires and has played a part in keeping the destruction from these fires to a minimum. By this notice, we are requiring owners within the fire district to ensure their property meets these fire safety requirements at all times; doing so will reduce the loss of life and property from vegetation fire. Please note: Some properties may require hazard abatement more than one time each year.

LOCATION OF HAZARD: 0 PALOMINO RD

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Dominic Fieri, Fire Marshal North County Fire Protection District

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## **FINAL NOTICE - AFTER FORCED ABATEMENT**

June 8, 2021

Yalova LLC 848 N. Rainbow Blvd, 2730 Las Vegas, NV 89107 APN: 1054412600

DATE	AMOUNT	UNITS	DESCRIPTION	}	TOTAL
2/26/2021	\$604.00	1	Forced Weed Abatement Administrative Fee	\$	604.00
2/26/2021	\$6,400.00	1	Contracted Abatement Work	\$	11,000.00
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			*TOTAL	:\$	11,604.00

\*Note: The non-compliance weed abatement reinspections have already been submitted to a third party cost recovery organization and are not included in this amount.

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### California Tree Service, Inc

P.O. Box 2019 San Marcos, CA 92079-2019

# Invoice

Date	Invoice #
2/26/2021	Yalova-21-1

Bill To

**Yalova LLC** 848 N. Rainbow Blvd #2730 Las Vegas, NNV 89107

Ship To

170 Barhaven Lane Fallbrook, CA 92028

		P.O. No.	Terms		Due Dat	te	Job #
		105-441-2600	Due on rece	ipt	2/26/202	21	G-594rev
Quantity	Descriptior	1	Rate	Serv	iced	Class	Amount
	Cut all annual weeds on proper Remove dead or dying trees or Remove all trimmings. 4 days mulcher, 4 dump fees. 4 (2/9/21-2/12/21)	vegetation.	11,000.00				11,000.0
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Phone #	Fax #		
760-510-8100	760-746-2867	E-mail	Web Site
		caltree222@yahoo.com	www.caltreeservice.com

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NOTICE TO ABATE HAZARD – FINAL NOTICE NOTE: THIS IS NOT A NOTICE TO GRADE YOUR PROPERTY

Date: 10/23/2020

Dear: YALOVA LLC 848 N RAINBOW BLVD #2730 LAS VEGAS NV 89107

Parcel: 1054412600

San Diego County Property records show you as owner of the parcel number listed above. A recent survey determined that fire hazard(s) exist on your property as defined in North County Fire Protection District's *Ordinance 2000-1* for vegetation management.

#### LOCATION OF HAZARD: 170 BARHAVEN LN

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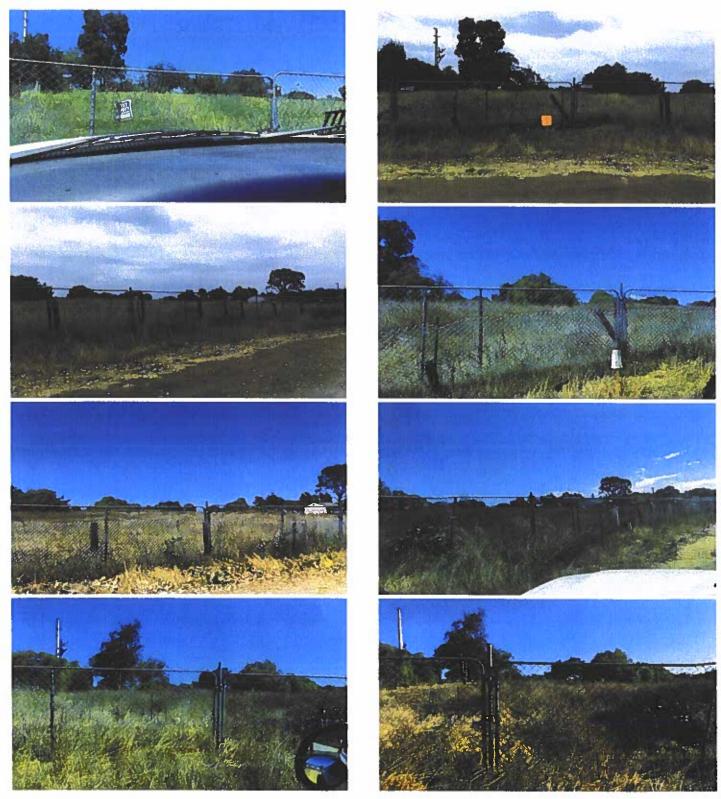
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NOTES: Cut all annual weeds on property. Trim up all trees and remove any dead or dying trees or vegetation. Remove all trimmings.



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Date: 6/24/2020

Dear: YALOVA LLC 848 N RAINBOW BLVD #2730 LAS VEGAS NV 89107

Parcel: APN 1054412600

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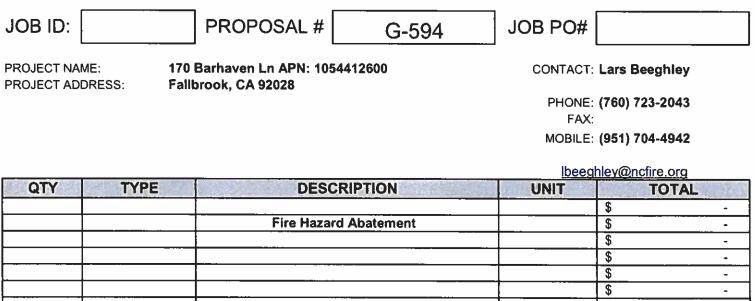
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#### CALIFORNIA TREE SERVICE, INC P.O. Box 2019 San Marcos, CA. 92079 - 2019 Phone: (760) 510-8100 • Fax: (760) 746-2867 Email: caltree222@yahoo.com

### ARBOR SERVICE AGREEMENT

Wednesday, November 25, 2020 This proposal will be honored for up to thirty (30) days.



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#### **BILLING INFORMATION**

RESPONSIBLE PARTY/OWNER: North County Fire ATTENTION: STREET ADDRESS: SUITE/APT/PMB: CITY/STATE/ZIP: WORK #: FAX#:

A 1.5% late fee will be charged on all past due accounts.

Contractor License #696749 Certified Arborists #WE-8202A SBE #25267 DIR 1000009174 AGC Member

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#### **TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

This Agreement is made by and between California Tree Service Inc (a California Corporation) hereinafter referred to as "CTS" and the responsible party listed, hereinafter referred to as "Customer."

Customer is the owner and/or the authorized representative of the owner of that certain real property as described above. Customer guarantees that the trees quoted are either his own or that he has received written permission to work on trees which are not his own.

**SERVICES:** CTS shall provide all labor, tools, & materials necessary to perform the services required by this Agreement as described above. All work will be performed to ANSI A300. Unless otherwise agreed to by CTS and Customer in writing, the following services will be provided:

a. Complete removal of tree to within 6" of ground level and clean-up of all debris (unless otherwise stated). Additional charges will be levied for unseen concrete or metal in tree upon notification of owner. Some minor lawn damage may occur. It is the owner's responsibility to clearly mark all trees to be removed.

b. Firewood will not be split.

c. The tree stump is to be ground to below ground level, no more than 12<sup>\*</sup>. Stump hole will be filled with stump chips (unless otherwise stated) and spread evenly.

d. Existing debris to remain unless specifically negotiated in above contract details.

<u>SCHEDULING</u> is dependent on weather conditions and work loads. Unless previously arranged with CTS, our crew will present itself unannounced on the scheduled day. If access is unattainable, Customer will be charged a two-hour "time and materials" charge. Due to variables in connection with this type of work, times for crew arrival are estimates only.

**INSURANCE AND PERMITS** CTS has Workers' Compensation and General Liability Insurance. For proof of insurance, please allow one (1) week for an original certificate to be mailed or, if sufficient, a copy can be faxed to Customer. All necessary permits for work performed by CTS, if required, shall be obtained by the responsible party.

<u>AMENDMENTS AND/OR CHANGES</u> Any amendments, changes, additions or deletions, including but not limited to "Change Orders," to this agreement shall be required to be in writing and shall be authorized and in effect only upon the execution by an authorized representative of CTS and an authorized representative of Customer. Employees of CTS are not authorized, and may not perform, any labor or services not specifically set forth within the described schedule of services set forth within this Agreement or any attachments to this Agreement describing services to be rendered.

#### LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

a. CTS agrees to use its "best efforts" to provide the services set forth here in a prompt manner. However, CTS shall not be held liable for any damages, whether directly or indirectly caused by acts of nature and/or acts of third parties.

b. CTS agrees to comply with the limitation liability upon a complete walk-through with the Customer. If, for any reason, a complete walk-through inspection is not done, CTS will not be responsible for any other damages done to that property.

c. CTS is not responsible for the condition of the trees being serviced; however, those trees that are diseased will be identified to Customer and the appropriate treatment recommended.

d. Due to the recent outbreak activity in palm diseases, CTS will take all measures necessary to avoid the spread or infection of any palm tree that we trim. If the tree(s) is(are) infected, CTS will not be held responsible for any disease damage or replacement liability.

e. CTS will not be responsible for damage to landscape, underground irrigation (sprinklers, etc) that may occur during the tree trimming and/or removal process or any ground clearing work.

**DELAYS** CTS shall be excused for any delays or defaults by CTS in performance of this Agreement caused by the acts of the Customer or Customer's agents, acts of any governmental authority, acts of God, the elements, war conditions, commercial shortage of required labor or materials, litigation, labor disputes, extra work, failure of Customer to make payments when due promptly, or other contingencies unforeseeable by or beyond the control of CTS.

**CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES** Customer shall be responsible for the location of property lines, easements, and providing access for CTS. Work stoppage and/or change of work due to property line disputes or accessibility shall be treated as additional work and so charged. Customer shall be responsible for the location and depth of underground and overhead utility lines and systems. In compliance with Federal and State Law, Customer agrees to make drinking and toilet facilities available to all workers or compensate CTS for cost of rented units. Customer agrees to provide electricity and water at jobsite as may be required by CTS to work herein.

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS The removal of hazardous material and hazardous waste requires special procedures, precautions, and/or licenses. Unless the contract calls for the removal, disturbance, or transportation of such material, CTS will not be responsible and shall immediately stop work if such substances are encountered in the course of its work.

**<u>RIGHT TO STOP WORK</u>** CTS shall have the right to stop work if any payment due shall not be made under this Agreement. Such action by CTS shall not, in any manner, be deemed a break of this Agreement by CTS.

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**PRELIMINARY NOTICE AND MECHANIC'S LIEN RIGHTS** Customer acknowledges this Agreement shall constitute preliminary notice required as a condition precedent to the recording of a Mechanic's Lien pursuant to Civil Code Section 3097. Under California Mechanic's Client Law, any contractor, subcontractor, laborer, supplier, or other person who helps to improve your property, but is not paid for his/her work or supplies, has a right to enforce a claim against your property. This means that after a court hearing, your property could be sold by a court officer and the proceeds of the sale used to satisfy the indebtedness. This can happen even if you have paid your contractor in full if the subcontractors, laborers, or suppliers remain unpaid. Civil Code Section 3109, et sec.

**DISPUTE RESOLUTION/BINDING ARBITRATION** In the event a controversy develops between CTS and Customer with respect to the matters arising out of this Agreement, which cannot be resolved between the parties, then it is agreed that the matter shall be submitted to binding Arbitration. Arbitration shall be before a one-panel arbitrator of the American Arbitration Association located in San Diego County, California.

**INUREMENT** This Agreement shall inure to the benefit of and be binding upon the heirs, executors, representatives, and assigns of the parties hereto.

**INTEGRATION** This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties hereto and supersedes all prior and contemporaneous arrangements. Any term not set forth in this Agreement is of no force and effect and shall be voidable by the party against whom the term would operate. Neither this Agreement nor any part thereof may be modified unless by a writing signed by all parties hereto.

**NOTICES** Any notice required or permitted under this Agreement shall be given by first class mail, certified, return receipt requested at the address of CTS and Customer set forth herein. If either party changes its address, that party shall bear the burden to provide the other party with written notice of the change.

GOVERNING LAW This Agreement shall be construed in accordance with and governed by the laws of the State of California existing from time to time.

FINANCE CHARGE All invoices over 15 days late will be subject to a 1/5% per month finance charge.

California Tree Service, Inc. does not intend on using a sub-contractor on any portion of this contract, but California Tree Service Inc reserves the right to use a sub-contractor for any portion of this contract at no extra charge to General Contractor/Owner.

We are not bidding this job as a Union Contractor or Prevailing Wage work. If job becomes Union or Prevailing Wage, General Contractor/ Owner will pay all Union fees, prevailing wages, dues, and any extra costs associated with Union signature companies or prevailing wages.

California Tree Service, Inc. recognizes the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) A300 Pruning Standards, ANSI Z133.1 Safety Standards, International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) Tree Pruning Guidelines and ISA Best Management Practices as benchmark standards for tree pruning and maintenance. California Tree Service, Inc. does not top trees which is inclusive of ANSI A300 Pruning Standards.

Executed as of the day and year first above written by:

CALIFORNIA TREE SERVICE, INC.

CUSTOMER

George Jovanic

Arborist/Estimator\_\_\_\_\_

PRINT NAME

TITLE

DATE

DATE

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## **FINAL NOTICE - AFTER FORCED ABATEMENT**

June 8, 2021

Byron J. Bacon 3351 Olive Hill Road Fallbrook, CA 92028 APN: 1210221800

DATE	AMOUNT	UNITS	DESCRIPTION		TOTAL
2/26/2021	\$604.00	1	Forced Weed Abatement Administrative Fe	e \$	604.00
2/26/2021	\$6,400.00	1	Contracted Abatement Work	\$	11,000.00
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### California Tree Service, Inc

P.O. Box 2019 San Marcos, CA 92079-2019

# Invoice

 Date
 Invoice #

 2/26/2021
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Bill To

Byron Bacon 3351 Olive Hill Road Fallbrook, CA 92028

Ship To
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3351 Olive Hill Road Falibrook, CA 92028

		P.O. No.	Terms		Due Date		Job #
		121-022-1800	Due on recei	pt	2/26/2021	C	-593rev
Quantity	Description		Rate	Serv	viced	Class	Amount
	Cut all annual weeds on proper provide a space between the gr canopy of the tree. Remove an trees or vegetation. 4 days with mulcher, 4 dump for crew (2/8/21-2/11/21)	ound and the y dead or dying	11,000.00				11,000.4
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### **NOTICE TO ABATE HAZARD – FINAL NOTICE**

NOTE: THIS IS NOT A NOTICE TO GRADE YOUR PROPERTY

Date: 11/26/2020

Dear: BACON BYRON J 3351 OLIVE HILL RD FALLBROOK CA 92028

Parcel: 1210221800

San Diego County Property records show you as owner of the parcel number listed above. A recent survey determined that fire hazard(s) exist on your property as defined in North County Fire Protection District's Ordinance 2000-1 for vegetation management.

#### LOCATION OF HAZARD: 3351 OLIVE HILL RD

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DATE	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
12/6/2020	Non-Compliance Weed Abatement Reinspection	\$266.00

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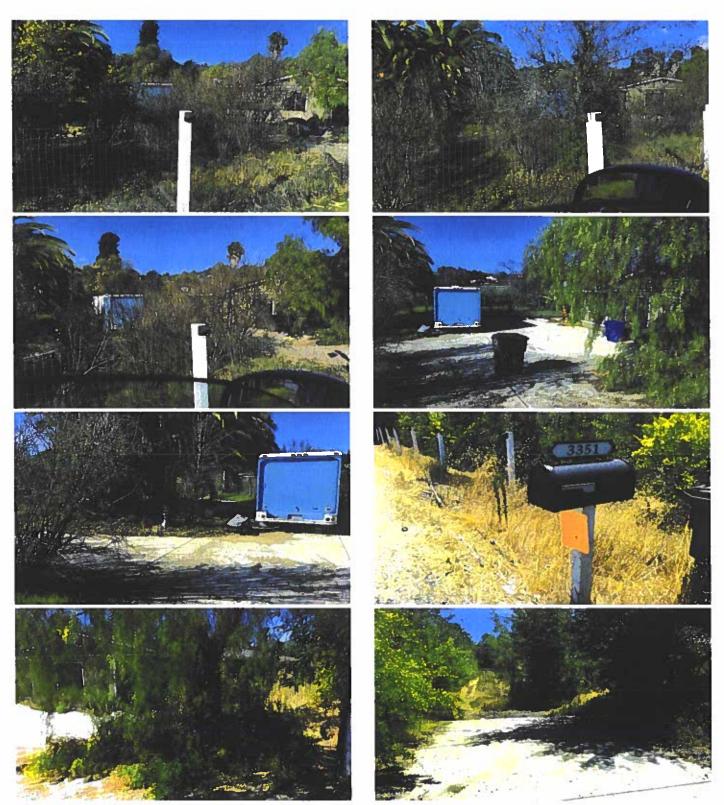
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## NOTICE TO ABATE HAZARD – SECOND NOTICE

NOTE: THIS IS NOT A NOTICE TO GRADE YOUR PROPERTY

Date: 9/17/2020

Dear: BACON BYRON J 3351 OLIVE HILL RD FALLBROOK CA 92028

Parcel: 1210221800

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DATE	DESCRIPTION	TOTAL
9/27/2020	Non-Compliance Weed Abatement Reinspection	\$ 283.00

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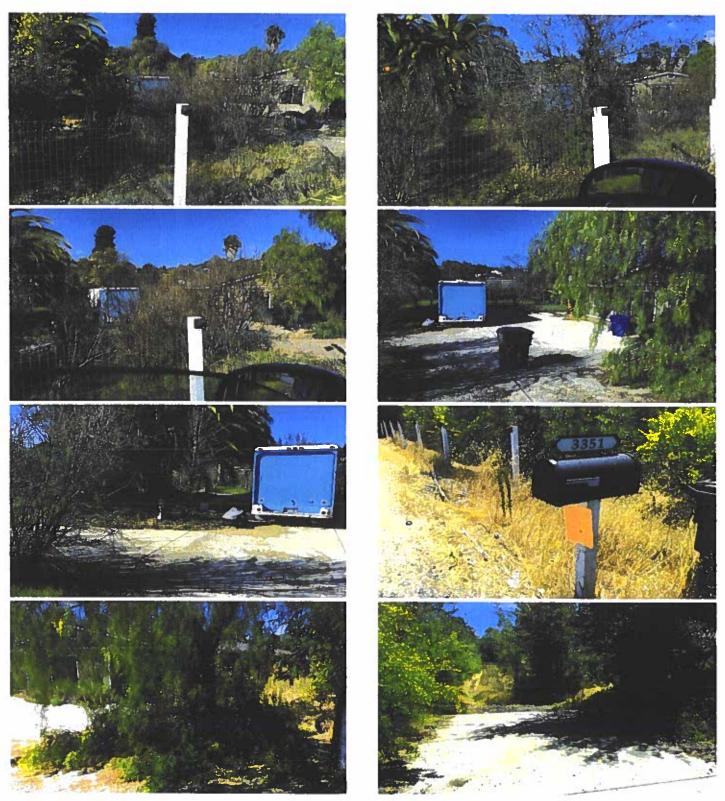
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See Notes - Please mow all weeds and annual grasses exceeding 6 inches in height on your entire property. See Notes - Please skirt up trees on your property within 100 feet of all structures and along roadways a minimum of 6 feet off the ground as to prevent the vertical spread of fire into tree canopies.

NOTES: Cut all annual weeds on property. Trim up all trees to provide a space between the ground and the canopy of the tree. Remove any dead or dying trees or vegetation.



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330 South Main Avenue • Fallbrook • California 92028 Tel. (760) 723-2010 • Fax (760) 723-2045 Board of Directors Ruth Harris Bob Hoffman Fred Luevano Kenneth E. Munson John Van Doorn

> Fire Chief Stephen J. Abbott

### **NOTICE TO ABATE HAZARD** NOTE: THIS IS NOT A PERMIT TO GRADE YOUR PROPERTY

Date: 7/22/2020

Dear: BACON BYRON J 3351 OLIVE HILL RD FALLBROOK CA 92028

Parcel: APN 1210221800

San Diego County Property records show you as owner of the parcel listed above. A recent survey determined that fire hazard(s) exist on your property as defined in North County Fire Protection District's *Ordinance 2000-1* for vegetation management. The fire district's vegetation management program has proven effective in mitigating the spread of vegetation fires and has played a part in keeping the destruction from these fires to a minimum. By this notice, we are requiring owners within the fire district to ensure their property meets these fire safety requirements at all times; doing so will reduce the loss of life and property from vegetation fire. *Please note: Some properties may require hazard abatement more than one time each year*.

LOCATION OF HAZARD: 3351 OLIVE HILL RD

### PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE OF NOTICE FOR INSTRUCTION FOR ABATEMENT

(Visit www.ncfire.org to view Ordinance 2000-1 in its entirety).

THIS IS CONSIDERED NOTICE to abate the aforementioned fire hazard(s) on your property in accordance with district Ordinance 2000-1. Hazard abatement must be accomplished within 20 working days of this notice. Properties that have not been cleared or do not comply with the requirements of Ordinance 2000-1 within 20 working days will be subject to the district's Forced Abatement Process. Property owners are strongly urged to arrange for the clearing of their own parcels, as the above requirements are strictly enforced. If your property is forcibly abated, the cost will be much higher than if you choose to abate the property yourself or commercially.

If you do not own this property, have already cleared this property, feel you have received this notice in error, or wish to schedule an on-site meeting, please contact the Fire Prevention Bureau at (760) 723-2010 as soon as possible. Additionally, should you disagree with the determination that a hazard exists, you may request an administrative review with the Fire Marshal. Please include your property address and the inspector listed at the bottom of this notice with all inquiries. A \$ 266.00 Noncompliance fee may be assessed if the work is not completed within the 20-day notice time frame. Sincerely,

Dominic Fieri, Fire Marshal North County Fire Protection District

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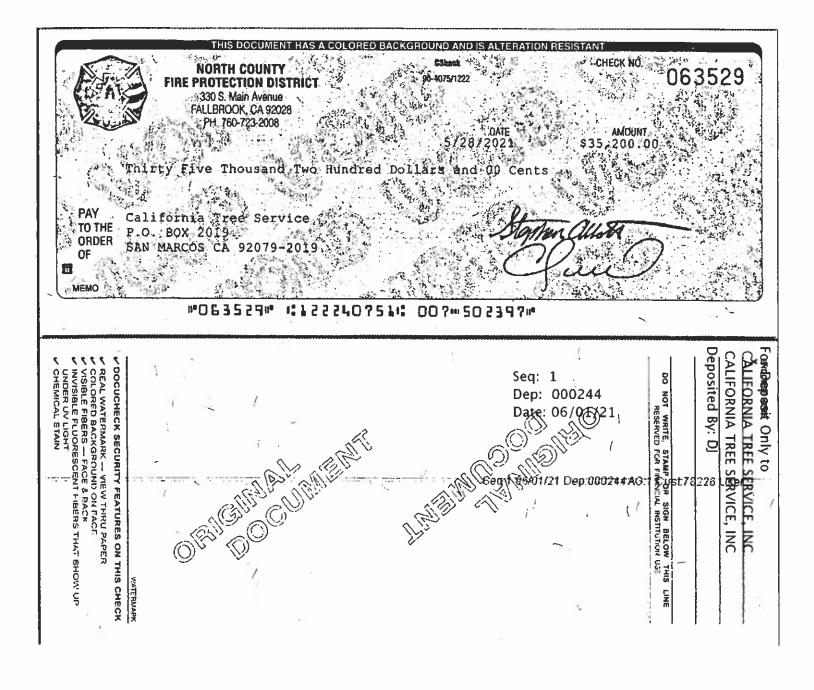
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#### FIXED CHARGE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT INPUT FORMAT FOR TYPEWRITTEN LIST

City or District: North County Fire Protection District Submitted By: Dominic Fieri, Fire Marshal

Fund Name: Weed Administrative Charge Telephone No: (760) 723-2010

Fund Number: 3107-01

E-mail Address: dfieri@ncfire.org

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Attachment E

July 31, 2021

County of San Diego Auditor and Controller **Property Tax Services** 5530 Overland Avenue, Suite 410 San Diego, CA 92123

### CERTIFICATION OF FIXED CHARGE SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

This letter is to certify that, according to the records of North County Fire Protection District, all assessments and special taxes are in compliance with Article XIIIC and D of the Constitution of the State of California, that the total number of parcels subject to Fixed Charge Special Assessments and the dollar amount by fund for 2020/2021 are as listed below:

Fund Number	Count	Amount
3107-01	4	\$37,616.00

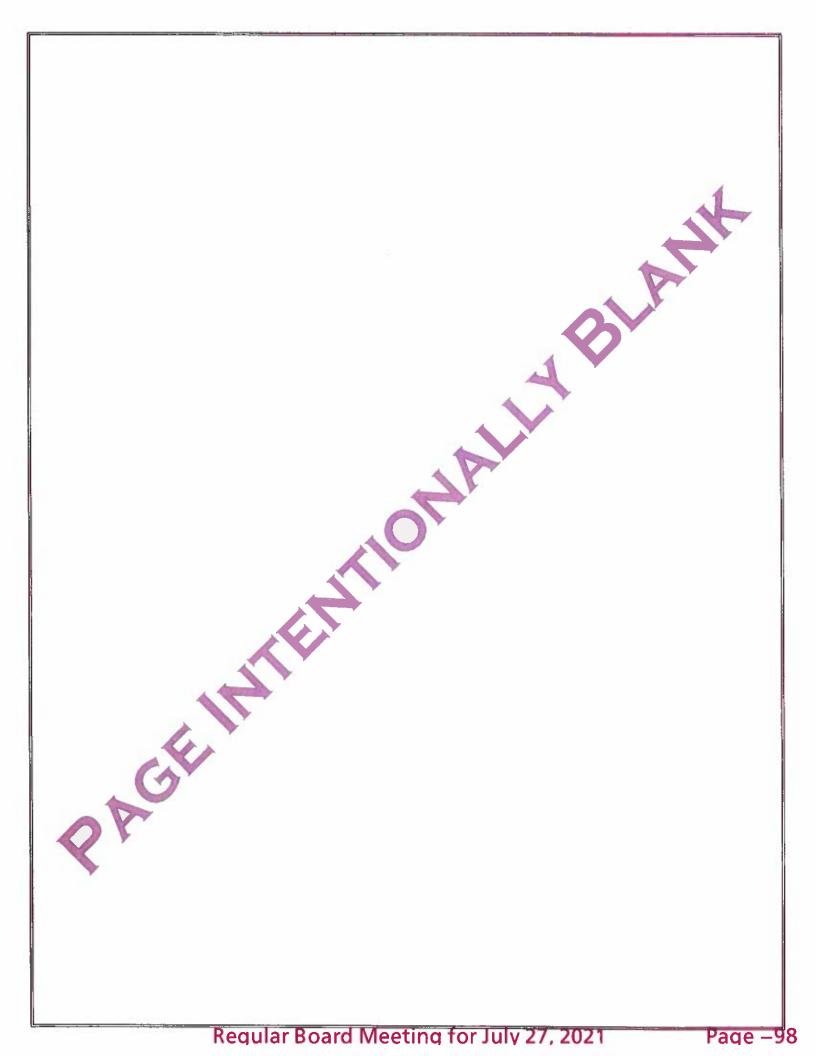
Certified By:

Dominic Fieri Fire Marshal



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## NORTH COUNTY FIRE

**PROTECTION DISTRICT** 

FIRE PREVENTION

TO:BOARD OF DIRECTORSFROM:FM FIERI AND CHIEF MCREYNOLDSDATE:JULY 27, 2021SUBJECT:STATE MANDATED INSPECTION REPORTING

### **ACTION AGENDA**

### **RECOMMENDATION:**

• Approve the Report on Certain State Mandated Inspections and Resolution 2021-09.

### BACKGROUND:

Senate Bill 1205, codified in September 2018 as Health & Safety Code §13146.4, requires annual reporting of completed inspections for certain "State Mandated" occupancies during the "budget appropriations process." The purpose of this legislation is for governing bodies to determine the adequacy of its fire prevention activities, particularly as it relates to obligatory requirements, so that it can adjust future appropriations for prevention activities accordingly. As we have now just completed the 20/21 fiscal year, staff is providing this report to the Board for consideration.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

The District is required to report on the number of educational facilities and the number of certain congregate residential facilities present within its jurisdiction, and the percent of inspections completed for both types. As noted in the resolution, there are 15 educational facilities and 136 congregate residential facilities. All state mandated R occupancies were completed with the exception of two senior care facilities, which were delayed due to COVID issues. Single family dwellings are excluded from this legislative inspection requirement.

#### FISCAL ANALYSIS:

No fiscal impact at this time.

#### SUMMARY:

The District has conducted its state mandated inspections with the exception of two senior care facilities, which were excepted due to COVID concerns.

## **RESOLUTION 2021-09**



RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTH COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, SAN DIEGO COUNTY, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ACKNOWLEDGING RECEIPT OF A REPORT MADE BY THE FIRE CHIEF/CEO REGARDING THE INSPECTION OF CERTAIN OCCUPANCIES AS REQUIRED TO PERFORM THESE ANNUAL INSPECTIONS IN SUCH OCCUPANCIES PURSUANT TO §13146.2 AND §13146.3 OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE.

WHEREAS, California Health & Safety Code §13146.4 was added in 2018, and became effective on September 27, 2018; and

WHEREAS, California Health & Safety Code §13146.2 and §13146.3 requires all fire departments, that provide fire protection services, including the North County Fire Protection District, to perform annual inspections in every building used as a public or private school, hotel, motel, lodging house, apartment house and certain residential care facilities for compliance with building standards as provided; and

WHEREAS, California Health & Safety Code §13146.2 requires all fire departments, that provide fire protection services, including the North County Fire Protection District, to report annually to its administering authority on its compliance with California Health & Safety Code §13146.2 and §13146.3; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of North County Fire Protection District intends this Resolution to fulfill the requirements of the California Health & Safety Code regarding acknowledgment of the North County Fire Protection District's compliance with California Health and Safety Code §13146.2 and §13146.3.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the North County Fire Protection District expressly acknowledges the measure of compliance of the North County Fire Protection District with California Health and Safety Code §13146.2 and §13146.3 in the area encompassed by the North County Fire Protection District, as follows:

## 1.0. EDUCATIONAL GROUP "E" OCCUPANCIES:

1.1. Educational Group E occupancies are generally those public and private schools, used by more than six (6) persons at any one time for educational purposes through the twelfth (12<sup>th</sup>) grade. Within the North County Fire Protection District, there lie 15 Group E occupancies, buildings, structures and/or facilities.

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- 1.2. During F/Y 2020/2021, the North County Fire Protection District completed the annual inspection of 15 Group E occupancies, buildings, structures and/or facilities. This is a compliance rate of 100% for this reporting period.
- 1.3. Additional items of note regarding this compliance rate can be found in the accompanying staff report for this Resolution.

## 2.0. RESIDENTIAL GROUP "R" OCCUPANCIES:

- 2.1. Residential Group R occupancies, for the purposes of this Resolution, are generally those occupancies containing sleeping units and include hotels, motels, apartments (three units or more), etc., as well as other residential occupancies (including a number of residential care facilities). These residential care facilities have a number of different sub-classifications and they may contain residents or clients that have a range of needs, including those related to custodial care, mobility impairments, cognitive disabilities, etc. The residents may also be non-ambulatory or bedridden.
- 2.2. During F/Y 2020/2021, the North County Fire Protection District performed initial annual inspection of 136 Group R occupancies, buildings, structures and/or facilities. All state mandated R occupancies were completed with the exception of two senior care facilities, which were delayed due to COVID issues.
- 2.3. Additional items of note regarding this compliance rate can be found in the accompanying Staff report for this Resolution.

**APPROVED, ADOPTED and SIGNED** at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the North County Fire Protection District held on this **27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021**, by the following vote:

## **RESOLUTION 2021-09**



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AYES:

NOES:

**ABSENT:** 

ABSTAIN:

**RECUSED:** 

John van Doorn, President

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Resolution duly and regularly adopted by the Board of Directors of the North County Fire Protection District at the meeting thereof held on the **27th day of July, 2021**, and that the same now appears on record in my office.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and affixed by official seal this this 27<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2021.

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Loren A. Stephen-Porter, Board Secretary

Attachments: Exhibit "A" - Staff Report Submitted to Board July 27, 2021.

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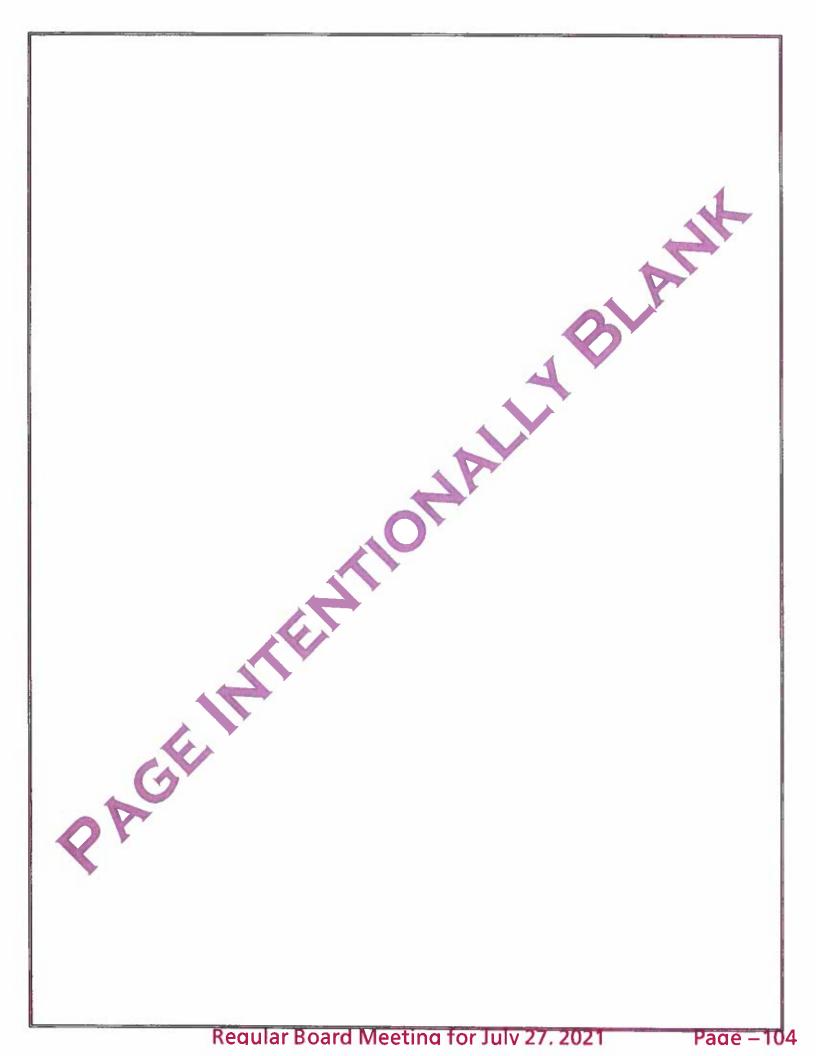
# NORTH COUNTY FIRE

## **PROTECTION DISTRICT**

FIRE CHIEF/CEO

- TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- FROM: KEITH MCREYNOLDS, FIRE CHIEF/CEO
- **DATE:** JULY 27, 2021
- SUBJECT: DISCUSSION AGENDA

There are no Discussion Agenda Items for the July 27, 2021, Board Meeting.



#### **ROBERT H. JAMES**

ATTORNEY AT LAW

ROBERT H. JAMES, Esq. roberthjameslaw@gmail.com 3668 KATIE LENDRE DRIVE FALLBROOK, CALIFORNIA 92028 TELEPHONE (760) 723-9018

July 1, 2021

#### Board of Directors North County Fire Protection District

Re: General Counsel Board Report for July 1, 2021

# FPPC issues \$1.35M penalty against LA County Board of Supervisors for campaign violations

The Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) approved a \$1.35M settlement with the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors for violating the law regarding campaign-related communications at public expense.

It stems from a complaint received by the FPPC Enforcement Division involving a March, 2017 Special Election in Los Angeles County regarding Measure H, and an additional complaint alleging the County used public funds to support Measure W in the November, 2018 election. The FPPC Enforcement Division opened two cases alleging the County's activities qualified it as a committee, triggering the Political Reform Act's filing and disclosure requirements and failed to include advertisement disclosures. Measure H passed with just over the required margin for approval.

"This is a clear violation of the public trust when their leaders willfully ignore the law to use taxpayer money in a political manner," said FPPC Chair Richard C. Miadich. "Our elected officials are not above the law and should be held accountable for their decisions. I hope this sends a warning to others that the FPPC will not sit idly by when public officials illegally use taxpayer money for political purposes. The integrity of our political system compels nothing less."

Included in today's action is a settlement with and a dismissal of a civil suit with similar allegations filed by The Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association (HJTA). All parties have agreed to resolve these matters with this joint settlement, which is in conjunction with the civil settlement in the above-referenced case and the conditions and requirements of that settlement.

"This illegal and increasingly-used tactic by local government officials will continue to be a focus and priority for the FPPC." said Chair Miadich. "We're seeking expanded powers for the non-partisan FPPC to enforce this law, as we continue to fight on behalf of the public for transparency and accountability by our government officials."

The State will receive \$600,000 as part of the settlement. Los Angeles County will also be paying legal fees in total of \$150,000 to the HJTA, and HJTA will receive \$600,000 as part of the agreement.

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The Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) is California's governmental ethics and campaign disclosure agency.

ROBERT H. JAMES Attorney at Law

Robert H. James, General Counsel for the North County Fire Protection District

RHJ/km cc: Chief Steve Abbott Board members

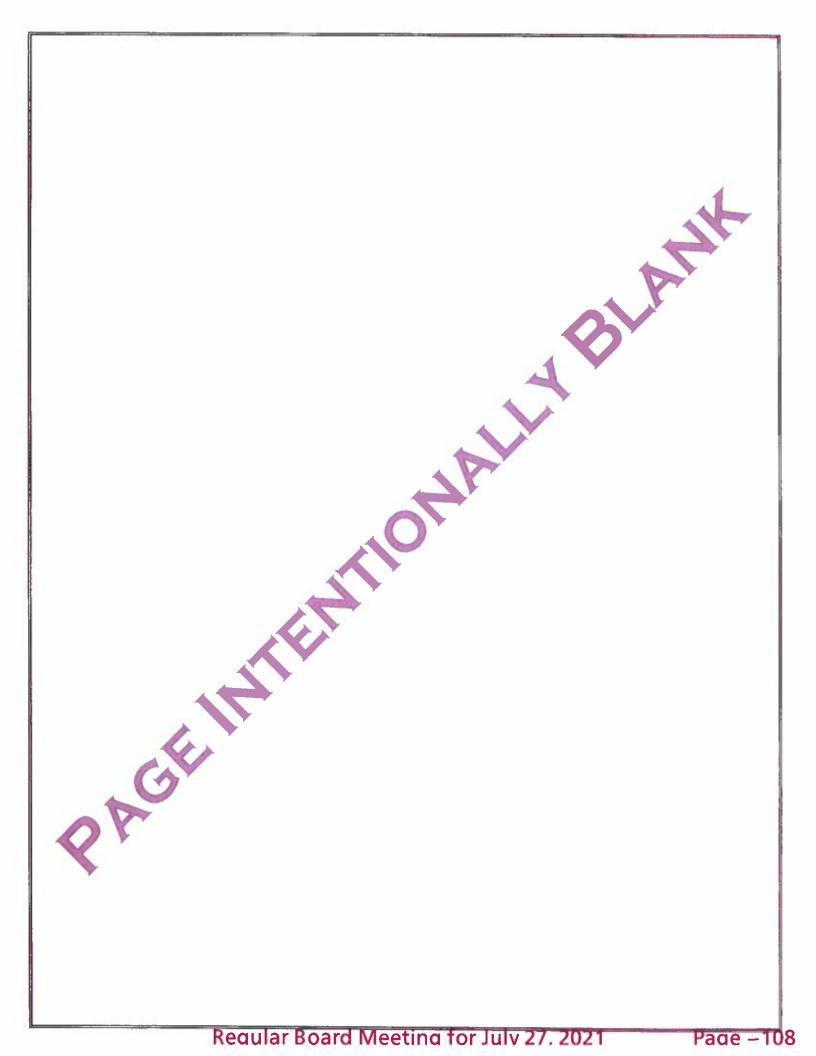
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## FIRE CHIEF/CEO

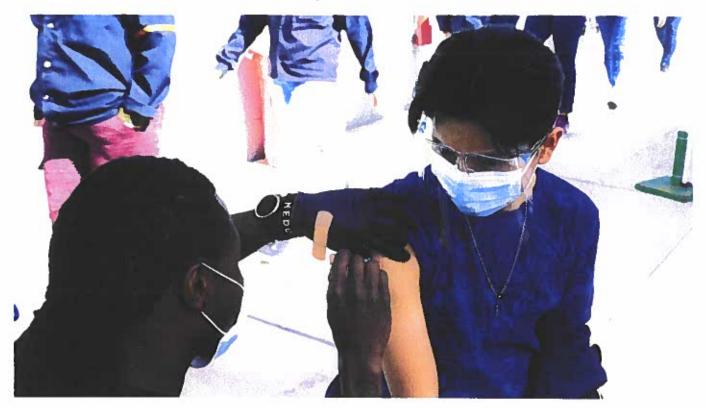
- TO: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
- FROM: KEITH MCREYNOLDS, FIRE CHIEF/CEO
- **DATE:** JULY 27, 2021
- SUBJECT: WRITTEN CORRESPONDENCE
- WRITTEN COMMUNICATION: None.
- BOARD RECOGNITION PROGRAM: None.

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HEALTH

# **COVID-19 Cases in County Rise 82% in One Week**



**By José A. Álvarez**, County of San Diego Communications Office Jul. 21, 2021 | 4:59 PM

The number of COVID-19 cases in San Diego has significantly increased in the past week, prompting County health officials to urge residents to continue getting vaccinated.

In the past seven days, 3,465 COVID-19 cases were reported in San Diego County. That's 1,566 or 82% more cases than the previous seven-day period.

Hospitalizations due to COVID-19 are also trending up. The daily total rose above 100 on July 6 and has remained above that threshold since. Hospitalizations are likely to rise higher since they typically do after increases in cases.

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The rise in cases and hospitalizations is occurring primarily in San Diegans who are not vaccinated. These individuals are also being disproportionately impacted by the Alpha, Gamma and Delta COVID-19 variants of concern.

"The best protection we have against COVID-19 is getting vaccinated," said Wilma Wooten, M.D., M.P.H., County public health officer. "The vaccines are extremely effective at preventing serious illness from COVID-19. If you have not gotten immunized, do it now."

There has also been a very slight increase in post-vaccination infections, meaning people got infected with COVID-19 even though they were fully vaccinated.

Wooten said that was expected and that breakthrough cases typically have mild symptoms.

"This does not mean the vaccine is not working. Quite the opposite, the vaccine is doing what it's supposed to do: keep most people from being hospitalized, or worse, dying," Wooten said.

# **Vaccination Progress:**

- Doses administered: More than to 4.19 million.
- Received at least one shot: Almost 2.25 million or 80.2% of San Diegans 12 and older are partially vaccinated.
- Fully vaccinated: Over 1.94 million or 69.2%.
- The goal: vaccinate 75% of San Diego County residents 12 and older or 2,101,936 people, with at least one dose.
- To date, 106.9% of the goal population has received at least one vaccine and 92.3% are fully vaccinated.

• More vaccination information can be found coronavirus-sd.com/vaccine.

## Deaths:

- One new death was reported between July 14 and July 20. The region's total is 3,787.
- A man in this 60s and with underlying medical conditions died June 12.

## **Cases, Case Rate and Testing:**

- 521 COVID-19 cases were reported to the County on July 21. The region's total is now 288,681.
- San Diego County's case rate is 7.6 cases per 100,000 residents as of July 20.
- 7,895 tests were reported to the County on July 20, and the percentage of new positive cases was 6.6%.
- The 14-day rolling percentage of positive cases among tests is 5.1%.

## **Community Setting Outbreaks:**

- 22 new community outbreaks were confirmed in the past seven days (July 14 through July 20): 10 in restaurant/bar settings, four in business settings, two in day camp settings, one in a campground setting, one in a restaurant setting, one in a construction setting, one in a government setting, one in a retail setting and one in a faith-based setting.
- The community outbreaks trigger is more than seven in a 7-day period.

## **More Information:**

Data updates to the County's coronavirus-sd.com website are published

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The need to gather and disseminate represents the greatest risk to life and property in California. The need to gather and disseminate real-time wildland fire information at the earliest point allows for quicker decision-making and increased likelihood of fires being suppressed factor.

Imagine it is a typical late summer day in California. Temperatures are warm and both forest and chaparral fuels are at or near record dry fuel moisture. Winds are light, but fire weather forecasters and predictive services staff expect wind velocity to increase and surface out of the northeast. Relative humidity is also expected to drop. These weather conditions are expected to remain for the next 48 to 72 hours. Whether a municipal, volunteer, or wildland firefighter in the West, these are the conditions we have grown accustomed to expecting earlier and extending later each year due to the effect of climate change. The "fire season" is now longer than ever before in recent history.

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Early that afternoon, a wildland fire is reported in Southern California. The fire is nearly 200 miles from the Fire Integrated Real-time Intelligence System (FIRIS) base, located at the Joint Forces Training Base – Los Alamitos, in north Orange County. The University of California San Diego (UCSD) Workflows Integrating Collaborative Hazard Sciences (WIFIRE) Lab staff has received the fire location and the UCSD supercomputer has instantly sent a wildfire spread model to the Southern California Fusion Center located at the Los Angeles Fire Department (LAFD) Communications Center.

Within seconds, the LAFD Fusion Center sends the location and initial wildland fire spread model (without suppression action) to the desktops, tablets, and smartphones of hundreds of firefighters, emergency managers, air tanker pilots, and policymakers. Within seconds of the fire being reported, the three questions everyone from firefighters to citizens want to know have been answered:

- 1. Where is the fire?
- 2. How big is the fire?

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3. Where is the fire going?

All three questions are answered within seconds of being reported. The initial image must be simple to interpret and not so busy that it takes more than a glance to understand the information. As we like to say, it must be like reading a book authored by Dr. Seuss. It doesn't need many words to be understood, just a glance to have good situation awareness. Most of the time, the initial image on my smartphone is that of a map showing fire spread in 30-minute increments.

The table in one corner of the image provides, in 30-minute increments, the number of property and lives in the path of the fire. In another corner is a mountaintop camera photo of the fire showing the levels of flame and smoke. From just a glance at the photo, it's easy to see the fire is wind-driven and building in intensity. The initial image layer can also be applied to a variety of map layers. This particular image shows the land status (direct protection area), which is extremely useful for the agencies that will be responsible for managing the incident. In short, all three of the questions have been answered by one picture.

# Coordination By Brian Fennessy, Fire Chief of Orange County Fire Authority in California

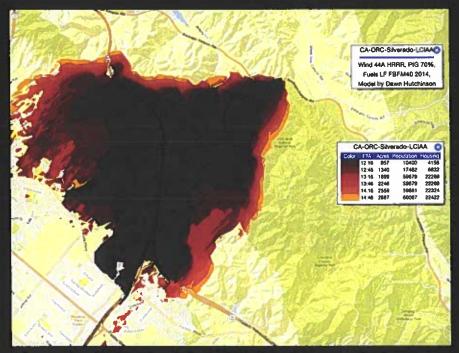
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In the meantime, the Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) Emergency Command Center (ECC) has received the location and initial wildland fire spread model (without suppression action) from the LAFD Fusion Center. The on-duty FIRIS aircrew(s) have also received the information on their smartphones. The FIRIS-crew-staffed King Air 250 is on its departure roll down the runway with a 22-minute estimated time to arrival (ETA) to the fire. The aircraft arrives quickly and establishes an operating altitude of 15,000 feet, which is well above any temporary flight restriction or the fire traffic area.

Within minutes, Intel 24 has provided a real-time fire perimeter and is sending live stream color and infrared video to desktops, tablets, and smartphones. The information is also being warehoused and is accessible from the program's common operating picture contract provider. It's not long before the OCFA ECC has contacted Intel 24 and advised of a train derailment in a remote area of the Mojave Desert. The real-time wildland fire information has been shared with the firefighters on the ground, the agency command center, and the Cal OES State Operations Center. FIRIS Intel 24 departs for the new incident.

Both OCFA FIRIS King Air 250 fixed-wing aircrafts are equipped with a variety of sophisticated sensor equipment that is operated by skilled and experienced sensor operators. The pilots also have considerable experience with flying manned intelligence, surveillance, and reconnaissance (ISR) missions. The Air Tactical Group Supervisors (ATGS) are the most experienced in the

OPPOSITE PAGE: The Silverado Fire was a wildfire that burned in October and November 2020 in southern Orange County, California northeast of livine. Orange County Fire Authority Chief Brian Fennessy stated, "The winds were extraordinary even by Santa Ana standards. Fire spread is exceeding more than anything I've seen in my 44 years." – www.desentsun.com/story/ news/2020/10/30/silverado-blue-ridgofire-crews-make-progress-orange-countyblazos/6086983002



A fire-spread model of the Silverado fire that LAFD Fusion Center sent to fire departments, omorgency managers, policy makers, etc. Photo courtesy of Brian Fennessy.

industry having retired from the U.S. Forest Service (USFS), Bureau of Land Management, CAL FIRE, and local government. Due to the high number of USFS ATGS vacancies, the FIRIS ATGS's support the USFS by staffing the air tactical aircraft that the USFS is unable to staff. The FIRIS aircraft are operated on a 24-hour/7-day basis and respond from bases in Los Alamitos and Sacramento.

The FIRIS program proof of concept began in 2016 in partnership with Department of Defense (DoD) contractor General Atomics Aeronautical Systems (GA). This began a nearly three-year relationship with GA. GA manufactures various models of military unmanned aircraft systems, most notably the Predator model(s). Former military special operators employed by GA shared ISR platforms are as common in war Both manned and unmanned have their unique value. One value of a manned ISR platform is the ability to adjust quickly. based on onboard human input; the applications, such as the FIRIS program.

In 2017, and during the early stage of FIRIS program development, the

UCSD WIFIRE Lab was invited to make a presentation on FIRIS program development. It was quickly realized that the WIFIRE fire spread modeling would be continuous as long as an ISR platform camera was pointed on wildland fire. In December 2017, GA (with WIFIRE capability) responded to a Santa Ana wind-driven wildland fire (Lilac Fire) in North San Diego County. The GA ISR platform provided real time high-definition color video and infrared heat sensing video of WIFIRE fire spread modeling. Dozens of fire spread models were completed over the first 36 hours of the fire. Each proved demonstrably accurate and thus validated WIFIRE fire spread modeling.

In 2018, CAL FIRE, the California National Guard, Cal OES, the USFS, the FIRESCOPE Board of Directors, and many other subgroups of the agencies mentioned earlier received in-person briefings and presentations.

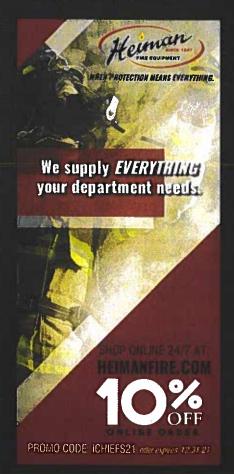
In early 2019, OCFA met with California state legislators and committees to share the immediate availability of real time information; further, that this information should be available as early into a wildland fire start as possible. In spring 2019, and as a result of the visits with legislators in Sacramento, the OCFA was notified that it was successful in securing \$4.5 million for the 150-day FIRIS pilot program

The 2019 FIRIS pilot program demonstrated that the integration of intelligence information and event prediction during initial response is as important as rapid and direct concentration of ground fire resources and aerial fire suppression. The 2019 pilot program was so successful that Cal OES, through provisionary language to support and enhance local government mutual aid, provided funding to support two FIRIS platforms in 2020. The 2020 program focus is all-hazard planning, response, and recovery, no longer just wildfand fire response.

The 2020 FIRIS 2.0 Program provides a crucial link between the dynamic, real-time intelligence needs of initial response and enhanced situational awareness required by state and regional agencies to support the transition into extended attack. Implementing the FIRIS 2.0 Program has had a significant impact on combating the effects of wildfire and other all-risk emergency incidents in California, while serving as a 24/7 pathway statewide for intelligence fusion and situational awareness.

The ISR fixed-wing platforms are managed, administered, and operated by OCFA on behalf of Cal OES, in support of the California Fire and Rescue Mutual Aid System. The FIRIS program assists with coordination and utilization of the resource between all requesting cooperators of the California Fire and Rescue Mutual Aid System.

Brian Fennessy became Fire Chief of the Orange County Fire Authority on April 16, 2018. Chief Fennessy has enjoyed a diversity of executive leadership and management experiences in both the wildland fire and metropolitan fire service communities. He believes that Mission-Driven Culture (MDC) is the future of the fire service and has presented on this topic at a variety of local, state, and national venues.





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## Early morning I-15 fatality closes freeway

By Village Staff



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A single-vehicle rollover resulted in the fatality of one person.

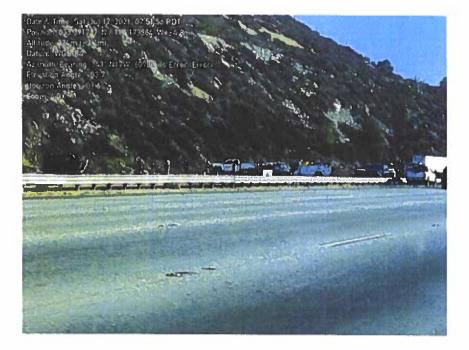
A single-vehicle rollover involving a fatality was reported at 3:24 am early Saturday morning north of Mission Road, according to North County Fire Protection District PIO Rich Berry. PIO Berry stated, "Two people were ejected from the vehicle resulting in one fatality and one male being transported to Palomar Hospital with critical injuries."

California Highway Patrol shut down freeway traffic for the death investigation.

"Traffic is being diverted off the southbound freeway at Rainbow, down 395 and back onto southbound I-15 at the Mission Rd. southbound onramp by CHP officers," said Tony Campbell from Village News.

The crash caused major traffic delays all day until early evening on Saturday.

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Hard closure of I-15 is still in place southbound.

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The rollover involving a sedan happened at 3:24 a.m. on I-15 north of Mission Road, according to Capt. John Choi of the North County Fire Protection District.

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Both occupants of the sedan were ejected, Choi said. One man was taken to Palomar Hospital as the California Highway Patrol shut down freeway traffic for the death investigation.

Caltrans San Diego said vehicles were diverted off the freeway at Rainbow Valley Road and a Sigalert was issued.

The crash was causing major traffic delays.

"Please give yourselves extra time this morning if you are heading south on the 15 Freeway," the fire agency tweeted at 6:43 a.m.

The CHP was expected to reopen the freeway at about 10:15 a.m., Choi said, or as soon as possible after the roadway is cleared and the investigation is completed.

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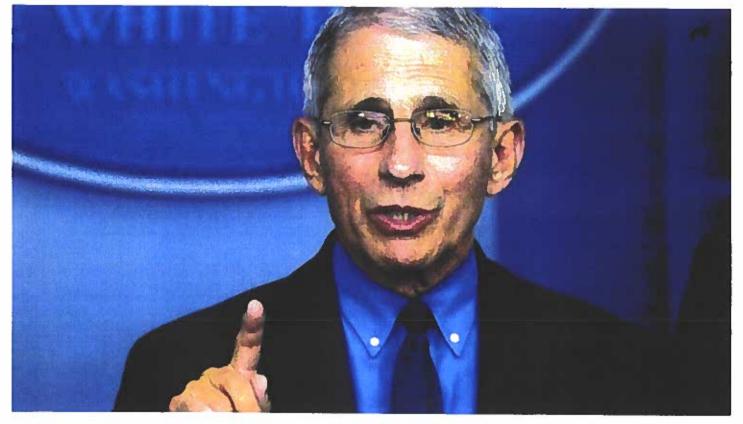
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# Half of Californians now urged to wear masks indoors regardless of vaccination status

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Dr. Anthony Fauci addresses the rising threat of what the World Health Organization calls the 'fastest and fittest' COVID variant yet. The rapid spread of the delta coronavirus variant has forced some countries to reinforce lockdowns. BY CPSAN

Counties combining for more than half of California's population are now at least strongly recommending all residents, including the fully vaccinated, wear masks in indoor public settings to help curb the spread of COVID-19, as infections and hospitalizations continue to spike throughout the state.

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Seven Bay Area counties' health offices on Friday urged the general public to mask up once again, regardless of vaccination status: Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara and Sonoma, as well as the city of Berkeley.

<u>Sacramento, Yolo</u> and <u>Fresno</u> counties issued similar recommendations earlier this week, and <u>Los Angeles County announced plans to strengthen its</u> <u>recommendation to a mandate</u> starting this weekend.

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Those 11 counties make up more than 20 million of California's 39.5 million residents. Los Angeles is the nation's largest county, with 10 million people.

The flurry of new advisories, most of them framed as recommendations at this time with the notable exception of Los Angeles' incoming mandate, come as health officials express increasing levels of concern regarding the highly

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contagious Delta variant.

Sacramento, Fresno and Los Angeles made their announcements Thursday — exactly one month after California ended its statewide mask mandate for the fully vaccinated in most settings on June 15.

"On a statewide basis, our current Face Covering Guidance remains unchanged," the California Department of Public Health wrote in an emailed response to The Sacramento Bee on Thursday. "CDPH supports local health departments, like Yolo and Los Angeles counties, making stricter policies based on the conditions in their community."

COVID-19 activity statewide remains well below the height of the winter surge, but the numbers are escalating quickly, prompting concerns about another wave.

The state's test positivity rate has grown from 0.7% to 3.7% since early June, CDPH reported Friday. The number of patients hospitalized with confirmed cases of the virus has jumped from about 1,100 to 1,800 in the past two weeks, state data show.

Sacramento County's daily case rate has nearly tripled, from 3.8 to 11.2 per 100,000 residents as a rolling seven-day average, since June 20.

"While cases continue to surge and until vaccination rates have increased in Sacramento County, vaccinated residents are strongly recommended to wear masks in indoor settings where vaccination verification is not required and the vaccination status of others is unknown," the county wrote in a news release, citing restaurants and grocery stores as examples of those settings.

<u>Delta is now the dominant variant in California</u>. It made up at least 49% of samples from June that were tested for variants, skyrocketing from 6% in May and 2% in April. State health officials have yet to release percentages for cases from July. Health officials say the vaccines in use are effective against the Delta variant, but are not 100% protection, and that the variant is driving up community transmission levels, especially in areas with poor vaccination rates.

CDPH said Friday that <u>more than 20.7 million Californians are fully vaccinated</u>, which is 52% of the state's total population, and 61% of eligible residents ages 12 and up have been fully vaccinated.

That still leaves nearly 19 million Californians not yet fully vaccinated and at higher risk. Of those, about 16 million are unvaccinated, having not received a first dose.

"The drastic increase in cases is concerning — as is the number of people choosing not to get vaccinated," Sacramento County health officer Dr. Olivia Kasirye said in a prepared statement accompanying Thursday's advisory.

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## Early morning crash closes eastbound SR 76

By Village Staff



#### Courtesy NCFPD

Eastbound 76 was closed due to head-on collision just after midnight July 15, 2021.

The eastbound lanes of Highway 76 at Pala Road in Fallbrook were opened at about 1:43 am, according to North County Fire Protection District, after a head-on traffic collision on eastbound Highway 76 at Pala Road happened at 12:29 am in Fallbrook. The eastbound lanes were closed and NCFPD was recommending that motorists use alternate routes. This is an early version story. More will be reported as information becomes available.

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#### **Redistricting Measure Feedback Requested**

Certain special districts with "by-district" elections, as opposed to those with "at-large" elections, face a November 1, 2021 deadline to adopt their re-districted maps despite a delay in U.S. Census data necessary to adopt the required maps. Thus far, CSDA is aware of fire protection, recreation and park, and community services districts facing this deadline. CSDA supported amendments to Senate Bill 594 (Glazer) to address this concern, but the legislation's progress recently stalled. Your feedback is needed to guide CSDA's next steps.

SB 594, as currently drafted, calls for all special districts to adopt their post census re-districting maps at least 180 days before the general election in 2022. The bill now resides in the Assembly Rules Committee, where it remains alive, but is not currently moving. Additionally, some stakeholders are calling for new amendments to SB 594 to push the redistricting map deadline for all agencies to 205 days prior to a general election so as to provide election officials sufficient time to manage the growing number of by-district election contests. Recent legislation adjusted the dates for counties and general law cities to adopt their redistricting maps 205 days prior to a November general election and 174 days prior for a June election.

The State's independent redistricting commission has yet to finalize what date its Congressional, State Legislature, and State Board of Equalization maps are expected for the June 2022 elections. The commission's determination may ultimately inform the Legislature how local agencies should also be treated, as local elections officials generally cannot determine voting precincts until all redistricting maps are received. This, along with a general lack of consensus over other concerns, has contributed to the Legislature pausing further action on SB 594 while these issues are ironed out.

#### Take Action

If your special district conducts by-district elections and would like to provide input in CSDA's ongoing advocacy on redistricting deadlines, email CSDA Legislative Representative Anthony Tannehill at <u>anthonyt@csda.net</u> to join a Working Group on this topic

CSDA will continue working with the State Legislature and other local stakeholders to advocate for a smooth, accurate, and feasible redistricting timeline for special districts. However, it has become evident that any formal adjustments to existing redistricting deadlines facing special districts may not be enacted until fall, if at all. Therefore, any special districts with a November 1, 2021 redistricting map adoption deadline should prepare accordingly to proceed in a manner that will permit lawful elections to continue within the existing prescribed deadlines.

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#### AB 361 – Brown Act: Remote Meetings During Emergencies

#### SUMMARY

Assembly Bill 361 will provide additional flexibility for local city councils, boards, commissions, and other agencies to meet remotely via phone or videoconference during a Governor-declared emergency that makes meeting in person unsafe, while still maintaining high levels of public access and transparency. This legislation will not allow local agencies to meet remotely during emergencies that would not prevent the local agency board from meeting in person, nor will this legislation create any new authorization for a local agency to declare a local emergency.

#### BACKGROUND

In 1953, the Ralph M. Brown Act, known simply as the "Brown Act" ever since, guaranteed the public's right to attend and participate in meetings of local legislative bodies. To meet this objective, the Brown Act drew up requirements regarding public notices of meetings, the posting of agendas, and physical access to those meetings.

In 1988, AB 3191 (Frazee) updated the Brown Act by authorizing local legislative bodies to use video teleconferencing in connection with any meeting or proceeding authorized by law, for the benefit of the public. However, AB 3191 also required that the public had to have physical access to each remote meeting location. Subsequently, in 1998, SB 138 (Kopp) expanded the allowable uses of teleconferencing even further.

When the COVID-19 pandemic started, local agency boards struggled to conduct their meetings in compliance with the Brown Act's public accessibility requirements while still abiding by stay-at-home orders. As a result, Governor Newsom signed Orders <u>N-25-20</u>, <u>N-29-20</u>, and <u>N-35-20</u> to grant local agencies the flexibility to meet remotely during the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### PROBLEM

The Governor's executive orders allowed public agencies to meet remotely and did not require physical public access to those meeting locations. Unfortunately, those Executive Orders only apply to the current health pandemic and do not contemplate future health, fire, flood, or other unforeseen emergencies.

#### SOLUTION

AB 361 will provide additional flexibility for local agencies looking to meet remotely in order to continue providing the public with essential services during a proclaimed state of emergency. In doing so, local agency boards will not have to rely on an Executive Order from the Governor.

While maintaining high standards of public transparency and access, AB 361 will allow public agencies to meet remotely to continue providing services to their constituents without jeopardizing their safety. Local agencies will accommodate videoconferencing platforms or phone lines to ensure that the public can access these meetings with or without an internet connection. This means that if a specified state emergency is declared, a local city council would be allowed to meet via a videoconferencing platform or phone. The public would be able to participate through such online or telephonic platforms.

Most importantly, if a meeting could still be held in-person without endangering local agency board members or personnel, then the local agency will not be entitled to meet remotely.

Local agencies looking to meet remotely pursuant to these provisions will have to do so in accordance with a declared State of Emergency. These narrowly tailored provisions will provide local agencies with the necessary flexibility to meet remotely while preserving public access during a specified emergency.

#### SUPPORT

- California Special Districts Association (sponsor)
- Alameda County Mosquito Abatement District
- Association of California Healthcare Districts
- Association of California Water Agencies
- Cal Voices
- California Association of Joint Powers Authorities
- California Downtown Association
- California Municipal Utilities Association
- California State Association of Counties
- Cameron Estates Community Services District
- Cameron Park Community Services District
- City of Carlsbad
- City of Lafayette
- City of Redwood City



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- City of Walnut Creek
- Coachella Valley Mosquito and Vector Control
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- Costa Mesa Sanitary District
- County of Monterey
- Cucamonga Valley Water District
- Disability Rights California
- Eastern Municipal Water District
- Ebbetts Pass Fire District
- Eden Township Healthcare District dba Eden Health District
- El Dorado Hills Community Services District
- Elsinore Valley Municipal Water District
- Fallbrook Regional Health District
- Fresno Mosquito and Vector Control District
- Grizzly Flats Community Services District
- Honey Lake Valley Resource Conservation District
- Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District
- Humboldt Community Services District
- Jackson Valley Irrigation District
- Kayes Community Service District
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- Mesa Water District
- Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
- Mountain Counties Water Resources Association
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- Murphys Fire Protection District
- Napa County Regional Park and Open Space
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- North County Fire Protection District
- North Tahoe Fire Protection District
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- Orange County Employees Association
- Orange County Local Agency Formation Commission
- Orange County Water District
- Palmdale Water District
- Palos Verdes Library District
- Reclamation District No. 1000
- Rural County Representatives of California
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- San Diego County Water Authority

- Saratoga Fire District
- Southern California Regional Rail Authority (Metrolink)
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- Templeton Community Services District
- Three Valleys Municipal Water District
- Town of Discovery Bay
- Truckee Fire Protection District
- Urban Counties of California
- Valley-Wide Recreation and Park District
- Vista Fire Protection District
- Vista Irrigation District
- Water Replenishment District of Southern California
- Western Municipal Water District
- Zach Hilton, Member, Gilroy City Council

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#### COVID-19 RELIEF FUNDING

CSDA's advocacy action priority is to work with the Administration, various state agencies, and the federal government to ensure special districts receive equitable access to COVID-19 relief funding should it become available.

#### Budget Update: Special District Relief Funding

On June 14 the legislature sent AB 128 (Ting), the Budget Bill in Chief, to the Governor in time to meet their constitutionally mandated deadline to pass a balanced budget by July 15. This version of the budget included a \$100 million fiscal relief proposal for COVID-19 impacted independent special districts, as well as other pots of funds certain special districts would be eligible to receive. However, as CSDA previously reported out, AB 128 reflected on the legislature's version of the budget and did not represent agreement with the Administration.

Two weeks later, on June 28, the Legislature passed SB 129 (Skinner), the Budget Act of 2021 – "Budget Bill Junior", sending the package to the Governor's desk for signature or veto in time for the start of the new fiscal year, July 1. The Governor has 12 days to sign or veto a bill, including the budget bill, and has the authority to blue pencil (eliminate) an appropriation within the budget, which can be overridden by two thirds vote in the Legislature. The Governor signed this bill July 12, 2021. The budget is an urgency measure and goes into effect as soon as it is signed.

The Budget Bill Junior updates many provisions of the Budget Bill in Chief and is a reflection of general agreement with the Governor. However, while funding levels have been solidified, the details of many programmatic provisions remain yet to be determined. It is anticipated many budget trailer bills will follow over the coming weeks until the Legislature breaks for the summer recess July 16 and further budget action is almost guaranteed in the month that follows and into the fall.

While June 28th's budget vote represented more of a framework than final agreement in many areas, CSDA is pleased to report the package retained the \$100 million COVID-19 relief fund for independent special districts that can demonstrate fiscal impacts due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

- The language has been amended from that which was proposed in AB 128, the package first sent to the Governor, and now states: "the amount appropriated in this item shall be available to provide fiscal relief to independent special districts that have encountered unanticipated costs or loss of revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency and that have not received other forms of fiscal relief from the state or federal government."
- In the vein of further detail yet to be determined, the provisional language additionally specifies: "
  The Department of Finance, in consultation with the California Special Districts Association, shall
  develop a plan to distribute the funding provided in this item by September 1, 2021, and shall notify
  the Joint Legislative Budget Committee of the plan."
- Further, the language provides additional detail regarding the plan for distribution: "The plan shall provide to each qualifying district that applies for relief a prorated share of the amount appropriated in this item, with each district's share based on its proportionate share of revenue losses reported by all qualifying districts from all fund sources between the 2018–19 and 2019–20 fiscal years, as reported by the district to the department. Applicant districts shall self-attest to the accuracy of all information reported to the department for purposes of this item. Upon completion of application reviews, the department shall order the Controller to remit funds to each county auditor-controller for all qualifying districts in each county. The county auditor-controller shall disburse these funds to each qualifying district within 30 days of receipt from the Controller."

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While CSDA has advocated heavily for access to fiscal relief for COVID-19 response impacted independent special districts, ultimately the proposal and provisional language has been determined in negotiations between the Assembly, Senate, and Administration. CSDA is pleased to be consulted in the final process and will continue to work with the Department of Finance (DOF) to seek clarification as to the intent of what constitutes "other forms of fiscal relief from the state or federal government" and hopes to be a strong partner to DOF as they work to develop a plan for distribution of funds:

# Additionally, the budget package retained the following provisions CSDA has advocated for in coordination with our local agency partners supporting the services and infrastructure of special districts, cities, counties, and other agencies:

- \$1 billion in water utility household assistance and nearly \$1 billion in energy utility household assistance. This funding is critical to stabilize public utility fiscal impacts – inclusive of special district utilities – and provide relief to the ratepayers least able to manage the fiscal burdens brought by the pandemic. While the SB 129 package indicates agreement for the level of funding, the details of eligibility and distribution are included in budget trailer bills AB 148 and AB 135. These two bills implement the funding appropriated in SB 129 (Skinner). These are understood to be trailer bills in their final form, and we do not anticipate future opportunities to amend the language. As of July 13, these bills are expected to be voted on by the Legislature before summer recess and to be signed by the Governor.
  - <u>AB 148</u> is the budget public resources trailer bill and includes the program for distributing just shy of \$1 billion for water and wastewater arrearages. It also contains drought relief language. The California Water and Wastewater Arrearage Payment Program is established in Section 116773.4.
  - <u>AB 135</u> is the budget trailer bill dealing with human services and includes the language for distributing almost \$1 billion for past due electric and gas utility bills. The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program is established in Section 16367.51 to prioritize and expedite services that reduce energy arrearages for low-income households. It is in the human services trailer bill because the program is administered by the Department of Community Services and Development, which is under the Health and Human Services Agency.
- \$250 million in economic assistance California's public ports. California's special district ports and harbors were significantly impacted by COVID-19 response and, as drivers of local economies and contributors to the state's economic health, we have continuously urged continued support for public port funding relief.
- Significant investment in local priority transit projects. Transit districts experienced substantial
  reductions in ridership and other fiscal impacts related to pandemic response. CSDA has supported
  these proposed investments for local agency projects.

Other funding of significant interest to districts that made it into the SB 129 agreement:

- Over \$3 million in one-time General Fund dollars to support grants to local library jurisdictions to acquire bookmobiles and vans, and provides an additional \$439 million on a one-time basis to support an equity-focused matching infrastructure grant program to support local library maintenance, capital projects, broadband and technology upgrades, and purchasing of devices.
- \$1 million in ongoing funding for the California Vectorborne Disease Surveillance Gateway (CalSurv) pest abatement program.

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- Package addressing environmental concerns, with program details yet to be determined. The spending levels are:
  - Wildfire Prevention & Resilience: \$258 million General Fund, plus additional special funds in 2021-2022, plus \$500 million General Fund in 2022-2023.
  - o Agriculture Budget Plan: \$200 million General Fund plus special funds
  - Circular Economy: \$65 million General Fund in 2021-2022
  - Water and Drought Resilience: \$730,700,000 General Fund in 2021-2022
  - o Climate Resilience: \$3.7 billion over three years, \$440 million General Fund in 2021-2022
  - Cap-and-Trade Spending Plan: \$720 million

CSDA will provide updates as the process develops regarding these funds and how to apply to receive them.

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# CalPERS Announces Health Plan Premiums for 2022

July 13, 2021

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**Sacramento, Calif.** – The CalPERS Board of Administration today approved health plan premiums for calendar year 2022, at an overall premium increase of 4.86%.

Premiums for CalPERS' Medicare Advantage plans are declining across the board from the previous year.

Members enrolled in CalPERS' Basic (non-Medicare) Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) plans will see an average premium increase of 4.69%. Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) Basic plan members will see an overall increase of 8.67%.

"We pushed our health plans and pharmacy benefit manager as hard as possible to secure the best premiums available for our members, ones that are lower than national averages," said Rob Feckner, chair of the Pension & Health Benefits Committee. "We're pleased the plans added lower-cost HMOs in areas where PPOs are the only option available, and that we were able to bring more affordable Medicare Advantage plans into our portfolio."

"But going forward, it's imperative that our health carriers work much harder to bring down costs because this trajectory of premium increases is unsustainable."

Cost drivers for the overall 2022 premium increase include medical inflation, pharmaceutical inflation, and buydown adjustments to premiums made in 2021. For some plans, excess monies in their health care fund account were used to lower the plan's premium.

COVID-19 related health care costs for 2022 are projected to be modest, although some increase in utilization for delayed and deferred care is expected.

Basic plan premiums reflect a new portfolio rating approach approved by the board in

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November 2020. This new risk mitigation strategy better aligns plan premiums with the value of their benefits and network instead of the mix of healthy or unhealthy lives in a plan. Portfolio rating will be phased-in over two years starting in 2022, and when fully implemented it's expected to result in smooth and predictable premiums over time that will stabilize the Basic health plan portfolio.

For CalPERS PPOs, three current plans will change to two new plans, PERS Platinum and PERS Gold, that offer more distinction in benefit design, networks, and pricing.

The following chart represents the percentage premium change for each health plan, between 2021 and 2022 using the state, single-party premium.

Basic Plans	% Premium Change
Anthem HMO Select	+5.94%
Anthem HMO Traditional	-1.82%
Blue Shield Access+ HMO and EPO	-4.13%
Blue Shield Trio	+2.79%
Health Net Salud y Más	+14.47%
Health Net SmartCare	+8.95%
Kaiser Permanente	+5.65%
PERS Gold PPO (from PERS Select)	+23.32%
PERS Platinum PPO (from PERS Choice)	+11.49%
PERS Platinum PPO (from PERSCare)	-14.85%
Sharp	+10.59%
United Healthcare Alliance	+8.26%
United Healthcare Harmony*	N/A
Western Health Advantage	-2.08%
Total Basic Weighted Average Change	+5.65%

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% Premium Change

Medicare Plans	% Premium Cha
Anthem Medicare Preferred	-6.05%
Blue Shield Medicare*	N/A
Kaiser Senior Advantage	-6.76%
PERS Gold PPO (from PERS Select)	+7.84%
PERS Platinum PPO (from PERS Choice)	+9.14%
PERS Platinum PPO (from PERSCare)	+0.18%
Sharp Direct Advantage	+7.96%
UnitedHealthcare Edge*	N/A
UnitedHealthcare Group	-5.43%
Western Health Advantage*	N/A
Total Medicare Weighted Average Change	-0.36%

\*New plan for 2022, therefore no comparison to the prior year is available.

New health plans, service expansions, and benefit design changes for 2022 were approved by the board in November 2020. Highlights of the changes for 2022 include:

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- The addition of three new Medicare Advantage plans from Blue Shield, UnitedHealthcare, and Western Health Advantage and statewide expansion for Anthem Medicare Preferred.
- A new Western Health Advantage HMO plan in Humboldt County and new Blue Shield Exclusive Provider Organization plan in Shasta and Lassen counties.
- Blue Shield Access+ will reenter eight Bay Area counties it exited in 2019: Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Sonoma, and Solano.

More information on the 2022 health plan changes and premiums for the HMO, PPO, and Association plans are available on the CalPERS website.

CalPERS overall program increase of 4.86% came in lower than than the PwC Health Research Institute report, which estimated health care costs increasing by 6.5% for 2022.

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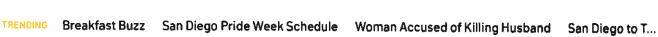
"Premium affordability is paramount for our members, and it's why we're concentrating on increasing plan competition, implementing risk mitigation, and lowering pharmaceutical costs," said Don Moulds, CalPERS chief health director. "We're working year-round to improve choice and affordability for our members, including adding more HMO managed care products that are more cost-efficient and have lower unit costs compared to PPO feefor-service plans."

CalPERS members can change health plans during the annual Open Enrollment period, September 20 to October 15, 2021. Open Enrollment materials, information on health plan options, and custom search tools will be available on the CalPERS website and through members' myCalPERS @ accounts beginning September 13, 2021.

Premiums will take effect January 1, 2022.

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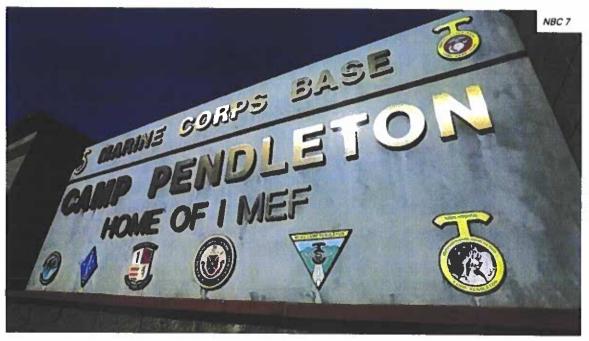
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#### No Need to Worry, It's a Training Exercise: Camp Pendleton Issues Noise Advisory Ahead of Live-Fire Training

Earthquake? Meteor strike? Nope, military training

#### By Katie Lane • Published July 13, 2021 • Updated on July 13, 2021 at 6:14 pm



**Camp Pendleton** 

Residents in Carlsbad, Oceanside and other communities surrounding Camp Pendleton can expect a rather unique alarm clock this week.

Starting at 6 a.m. from July 12 to July 16, artillery units in Camp Pendleton are scheduled to conduct live-fire training.

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Light sleepers may have to put their earplugs to use as the explosive munitions fire will end around midnight.

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NOISE ADVISORY July 12-16, 2021

Artillery units are scheduled to conduct live-fire training July 12-16. Explosive munitions fire will start at 6 a.m. and end around midnight.

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# CalPERS Reports Preliminary 21.3% Investment Returns for Fiscal Year 2020-21; Strong Returns Trigger Reduction in Discount Rate to 6.8%

July 12, 2021

Communications & Stakeholder Relations Contact: Megan White, Information Officer (916) 795-3991 - newsroom@calpers.ca.gov

**Sacramento, Calif.** – CalPERS today reported a preliminary 21.3% net return on investments for the 12-month period that ended June 30, 2021. CalPERS assets at the end of the fiscal year stood at more than \$469 billion. The preliminary 21.3% return lagged behind the fiscal year total fund benchmark of 21.7%.

Under the Funding Risk Mitigation Policy (PDF), approved by the CalPERS Board of Administration in 2015, the double-digit return will trigger a reduction in the discount rate used to calculate employer and Public Employees' Pension Reform Act (PEPRA) member contributions. The discount rate, or assumed rate of return, will drop to 6.8%, from its current level of 7%.

The Funding Risk Mitigation Policy lowers the discount rate in years of good investment returns. This is the first time it has been triggered.

The 21.3% 2020-21 fiscal year return for the Public Employees' Retirement Fund (PERF) were driven by Private Equity and Public Equity, with net returns of 43.8% and 36.3%, respectively.

Based on these preliminary fiscal year returns, the funded status of the overall PERF is an estimated 82%. This estimate is based on a 7% discount rate. Under the new 6.8% discount rate, however, the funded status of the overall PERF drops to 80%. This is because existing assets are assumed to grow at a slightly slower rate annually into the future. As intended under the Funding Risk Mitigation Policy, the lower discount rate increases the likelihood that CalPERS can reach its target over the longer term.

The CalPERS Board of Administration will continue to review the discount rate through its Asset Liability Management process during the rest of the calendar year.

"Our investment team has done an outstanding job of capturing strong returns in this very dynamic investment environment," said Theresa Taylor, chair of the CalPERS Investment Committee. "These results prove that we have the right investment strategy in place to take full advantage of what the markets have to offer."

"But as pleased as we are with these great returns, let me emphasize that we don't count on this kind of investing environment every year. We know markets go up and down. As a longterm investor, our job is to make sure we have a carefully considered plan to strengthen our fund no matter the economic climate so that we can pay the benefits our members have earned."

The 2020-21 fiscal year returns brings total fund performance to 10.3% for the five-year period, 8.5% for the 10-year period, and 6.9% for the 20-year period. Over the past 30 years, the PERF returned an annualized return of 8.4%.

Asset Class	Net Rate of Return	
Total Fund	21.3%	
Public Equity	36.3%	
Private Equity	43.8%	
Fixed Income	-0.1%	
Real Assets	2.6%	
Liquidity	0.1%	

Today's announcement includes 12-month asset class performance as follows:

The official total fund performance numbers go through multiple layers of review and oversight. View the Total Fund and Benchmark Performance Calculation – Wilshire Associates (PDF) for more information.

Returns for real assets and private equity reflect market values through March 31, 2021. Private Equity has been CalPERS' highest returning asset class over longer periods, with 10year annualized return of 12.0% and 20-year annualized return of 10.1%.

"I'm proud of our investment office and of our ability to execute on our strategy to achieve

strong returns in these unprecedented times," said Dan Bienvenue, CalPERS interim chief investment officer. "But I'm also mindful that we're in the middle of determining our asset mix and discount rate for the future. As a long-term investor we're focused on ensuring that our analysis captures realistic projections about the investment outlook over many years and even decades."

CalPERS' 2020-21 final fiscal year investment performance will be calculated based on audited figures and will be reflected in contribution levels for the State of California and school districts in fiscal year 2022-23, and for contracting cities, counties, and special districts in fiscal year 2023-24.

The ending value of the PERF is based on several factors and not investment performance alone. Contributions made to CalPERS from employers and employees, monthly payments made to retirees, investment fees and the performance of its investments, among other factors, all influence the ending total value of the PERF.

# About CalPERS

For more than eight decades, CalPERS has built retirement and health security for state, school, and public agency members who invest their lifework in public service. Our pension fund serves more than 2 million members in the CalPERS retirement system and administers benefits for more than 1.5 million members and their families in our health program, making us the largest defined-benefit public pension in the U.S. CalPERS' total fund market value currently stands at approximately \$472 billion. For more information, visit www.calpers.ca.gov.

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# **Deadly crash blocks traffic in Fallbrook**

by: City News Service

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FALLBROOK (CNS) – One person was killed and another was critically injured in a solo-vehicle rollover crash early Thursday morning in Fallbrook.

The crash was reported shortly before 4:55 a.m. on East Alvarado Street near Palmas Norte, according to the California Highway Patrol.

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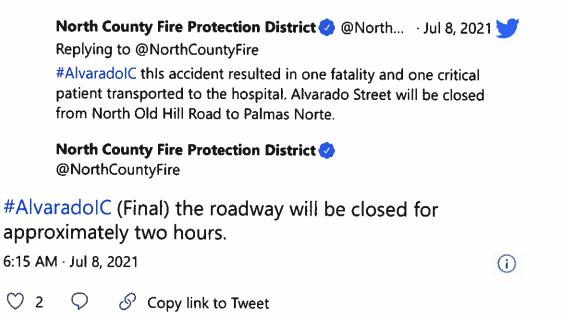
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#### Family says San Diego man shot near Las Vegas had just lent his killer a lighter

A vehicle crashed and overturned, leaving two people trapped inside, the CHP reported.

Firefighters extricated both people from the wreckage, according to the North County Fire Protection District. One was pronounced dead at the scene and another person was taken to a hospital in critical condition.



No details about the victims were immediately available.

The circumstances leading up to the crash were under investigation.

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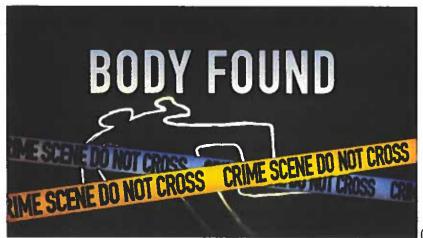
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# Two dead after vehicle found down embankment in Fallbrook

Posted: July 5, 2021 by KUSI Newsroom (https://www.kusi.com/author/kusinewsroom/)



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FALLBROOK (KUSI) -The bodies of two men were found after a vehicle was found 100 feet down an embankment.

It was not known when the crash occurred, but the vehicle was found at 4:22 p.m. Sunday off of southbound Interstate 15 near Mission Road, according to the North County Fire Protection District.

A person at the scene told California Highway Patrol officers the Toyota sedan had been missing since Friday.

The CHP said officers weren't immediately able to locate the car's occupants and requested a flyover to look for anyone who may have been ejected from the vehicle.

Firefighters from the North County Fire Protection District were at the crash scene to help with recovery of the bodies.

No further information was immediately available.

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# Village News - Also serving the communities of De Luz, Rainbow, Camp Pendleton, Pala and Pauma

## Bonsall barn burns in early morning

By Village Staff



A fire that was reported at 3:33 am this morning, Saturday, July 3, was confined y firefighters to just the barn. On scene was North County Fire Protection District, Vista Fire and CalFire San Diego. This is an early version story. More will be reported as it becomes available.

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**Tree fire ignites on E. Mission** 



By Village News Staff

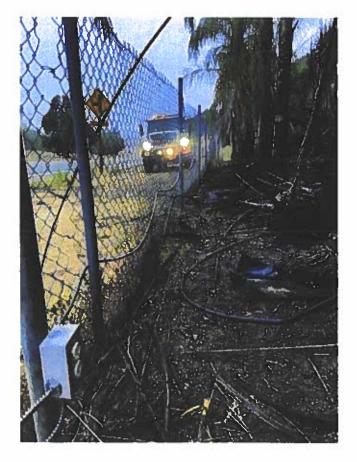


Courtesy of NCFPD John Choi

This vegetation fire July 1, 2021 likely started from the spark of faulty wiring.

At about 4 am on Thursday, July 1, at 3612 E. Mission a fire was reported. Some trees were burning as well as a 20 ft. x 10 ft. space of vegetation, according to North County Fire Protection District (NCFPD) PIO John Choi. NCFPD and CalFire were on scene and stopped the forward rate of spread, which they believe started from faulty electricity serving a light on the property.

PIO Choi said, "It's a good time to remember that we have a zero allowance for fireworks and it's safer to attend one of the bigger shows. Even hand held sparklers are not allowed."



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# From White House to San Diego, officials urge wildfire vigilance

by: Associated Press, Jaime Chambers Posted: Jun 30, 2021 / 06:49 PM PDT / Updated: Jun 30, 2021 / 06:49 PM PDT

SAN DIEGO – Officials are ramping up their efforts to both prevent wildfires and more effectively battle the blazes when they do occur, with a sense of urgency coming from the very top of U.S. government.

"The truth is we're playing catch-up" on preparing for extreme heat and wildfires, President Joe Biden said at a virtual meeting with governors from Western states this week. Biden called federal efforts "under-resourced" compared with the deadly threat posed by climate change and extreme drought.

#### Coronado High stripped of regional basketball title over tortilla throwing incident $\rightarrow$

Western states have been parched by severe drought and record heat that has burned more than 2,300

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more than 17,000 homes and other structures.

"Much of the state – 85% – is in this extreme drought or exceptional drought," Dr. Jolie Kalansky from Scrips Oceanography research center, told FOX 5.

And the hot, dry conditions come before a Fourth of July holiday that could see amateur fireworks sparking serious blazes.

"Fuels are extremely dry right now," said Capt. John Choi from the North County Fire Protection District. "This has been showcased in recent fires we've had. We had the Mesa Fire at Pala that grew 350 acres in a short amount of time."

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"The fireworks can be extremely dangerous, they can start fires," Choi added. "That fuel is ready to receive that spark and start those fires. So please, please no fireworks whatsoever."

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Biden said a beefed up federal effort has to aid the work of local fire officials.

"We have to do it," Biden told the governors. "We can't cut corners when it comes to managing our wildfires or supporting our firefighters. Right now we have to act and act fast."

Recalling horrific scenes from wildfires in California and other states last year, Biden said, "Orange skies look like end-of-days smoke and ash."

Biden's plan would ensure that no one fighting wildland fires is making less than \$15 per hour and would add or convert to full-time nearly 1,000 firefighters across a host of agencies.

"Because of climate change, wildland firefighting is no longer a seasonal endeavor," the White House said in a statement. "With fire seasons turning into fire years, it is imperative to have a year-round workforce that is available to respond at any time ... and is available to undertake preventive actions"

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California Special Districts Association Districts Stronger Together

# Budget Sent to Governor's Desk Includes \$100 Million COVID-19 Relief Funds for Special Districts

By Vanessa Gonzales posted yesterday

Late last night, the Legislature passed <u>SB 129</u> (Skinner), the Budget Act of 2021 – "Budget Bill Junior", sending the general agreement to the Governor's desk for signature or veto in time for the start of the new fiscal year, July 1. They also sent a package of budget trailer bills to the Governor for approval as part of the 2021-22 budget process. Typically, the Governor has 12 working days to sign or veto a bill, including the budget bill, and has the authority to blue pencil (eliminate) and appropriation within the budget which can be overridden by a 2/3 vote in the



Legislature. The budget is an urgency measure and goes into effect as soon as it is signed. Two weeks ago, California state legislators passed <u>AB 128 (Ting), tl</u> Chat-How Can We Hel... h

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represented their version of the state budget: a sweeping \$264 billion proposal that included a number of the Newsom administration's policy priorities along with a number of items of significant disagreement between the Legislature and Administration. AB 128, which was enrolled on June 14 in time to meet the Legislature's constitutionally mandated deadline to send a balanced budget to the Governor by June 15, was more of a placeholder and did not reflect a deal with the Administration. CSDA authored <u>an article that appeared in the June 22 edition of eNews</u> which provided an overview of the budget blueprint devised by the Legislature.

The Budget Bill Junior passed yesterday updates many provisions of the Budget Bill in Chief and is a reflection of general agreement following significant negotiations with the Governor's office; note, however, while funding levels have been solidified the details of many programmatic provisions continue to remain yet to be determined and it is anticipated many budget trailer bills will follow over the coming weeks until the Legislature breaks for the summer July 16 and further budget action is almost guaranteed in the month that follows and into the fall.

### **FISCAL RELIEF FOR SPECIAL DISTRICTS**

SB 129 represents more of a framework than final agreement in many areas, yet CSDA is pleased to report the package retains the \$100 million COVID-19 relief fund for independent special districts that can demonstrate fiscal impacts due to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

- The language has been amended from that which was proposed in AB 128, the package first sent to the Governor, and now states: "the amount appropriated in this item shall be available to provide fiscal relief to independent special districts that have encountered unanticipated costs or loss of revenue due to the COVID-19 public health emergency and that have not received other forms of fiscal relief from the state or federal government."
- In the vein of further detail yet to be determined, the provisional language additionally specifies: "*The Department of Finance, in consultation with the California Special Districts Association, shall develop a plan to distribute the funding provided in this item by September 1, 2021, and shall notify the Joint Legislative Budget Committee of the plan.*"
- Further, the language provides additional detail regarding the plan for distribution: "*The plan shall provide to each qualifying district that applies for relief a prorated share of the amount appropriated in this item, with each district's share based on its proportionate share of revenue losses reported by all qualifying districts from all fund sources between the 2018–19 and 2019–20 fiscal years, as reported by the district to the department. Applicant districts shall self-attest to the accuracy of all information reported to the department for purposes of this item.*

Upon completion of application reviews, the department shall order the Controller to remit funds to each county auditor-controller for all qualifying districts in each county. The county auditor-controller shall disburse these funds to each qualifying district within 30 days of receipt from the Controller."

While CSDA has advocated heavily for access to fiscal relief for COVID-19 response impacted independent special districts, ultimately the proposal and provisional language has been determined in negotiations between the Assembly, Senate, and Administration. CSDA will continue to work with the Department of Finance (DOF) to seek clarification as to the intent of what constitutes "*other forms of fiscal relief from the state or federal government*" and hopes to be a strong partner to DOF as they work to develop a plan for distribution of funds

Additionally, the budget package retains the following provisions CSDA has advocated for in coordination with our local agency partners supporting the services and infrastructure of special districts, cities, counties, and other agencies:

- \$1 billion in water utility household assistance and nearly \$1 billion in energy utility household assistance. This funding is critical to stabilize public utility fiscal impacts inclusive of special district utilities and provide relief to the ratepayers least able to manage the fiscal burdens brought by the pandemic. *While the package indicates agreement for the level of funding, the details of eligibility and distribution are subject to agreement between the Senate, Assembly, and Governor and continue to be negotiated. CSDA is actively advocating for this funding to include eligibility for publicly owned water, wastewater, and energy utilities.*
- **\$250 million in economic assistance California's public ports.** California's special district ports and harbors were significantly impacted by COVID-19 response and, as drivers of local economies and contributors to the state's economic health, we have continuously urged continued support for public port funding relief.
- **Significant investment in local priority transit projects.** Transit districts experienced substantial reductions in ridership and other fiscal impacts related to pandemic response. CSDA has supported these proposed investments for local agency projects.

CSDA extends a sincere thank you to each of the special districts, stakeholders, and partners who have supported this effort over the past year. Without your outreach, elevating your voices and needs to your elected officials, and your consistent calls for special district access to fiscal relief the above provisions would not have come to fruition.

Other areas of the budget package of potential interest to special districts are as follows:

#### **ENVIRONMENT**

The Legislature proposes several packages addressing environmental concerns with details yet to be determined in a final agreement among the Senate, Assembly, and Governor. The spending levels are:

- Wildfire Prevention & Resilience: \$258 million General Fund, plus additional special funds in 2021-2022, plus \$500 million General Fund in 2022-2023.
- Agriculture Budget Plan: \$200 million General Fund plus special funds
- Circular Economy: \$65 million General Fund in 2021-2022
- Water and Drought Resilience: \$730,700,000 General Fund in 2021-2022
- Climate Resilience: \$3.7 billion over three years, with \$440 million General Fund in 2021-2022
- Cap-and-Trade Spending Plan: \$720 million

The passed budget plan does not include <u>a proposed \$200 million carve-out from the Greenhouse</u> <u>Gas Reduction Fund</u> for the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection meant to fund healthy forest and fire prevention programs and projects that improve forest health and reduce greenhouse gas emissions caused by uncontrolled wildfires, and complete prescribed fire and other fuel reduction projects through proven forestry practices.

The budget includes \$40 million in one-time funding for a sea level rise local assistance grant program with funds available until June 30, 2026.

SB 129 retains the approval for \$3 million in General Fund dollars to establish the Board of Environmental Safety within the Department of Toxic Substances Control with placeholder trailer bill language on the specifics of the Board and governance reform. The companion measure, placeholder trailer bill language to revise the Environmental Fee rates and the hazardous waste fee rates and structure, is also approved. The trailer bills previously associated with these proposals [1][2] are available from the Department of Finance.

SB 129 also includes \$45,000,000 for local air districts in severe or extreme nonattainment through

the Carl Moyer Air Quality Standards Attainment Program for the purchase of nondiesel medium- and heavy-duty vehicles that replace diesel vehicles. Projects must make use of existing re-fueling infrastructure and self-certify that no new infrastructure will be needed to support their use.

The bill provides \$20 million in one-time funding resources to provide education and technical assistance to local governments seeking to improve their permitting processes for technologies that reduce greenhouse gas emissions from homes with placeholder trailer bill language.

The budget rejects the tiered mil fee assessment trailer bill proposed earlier this year.

#### WATER

In addition to the \$1 billion American Rescue Plan Act funds for water arrearages, subject to a final agreement with the Senate, Assembly, and Governor, SB 129 includes \$60 million funding for the Sustainable Groundwater Management Program, while deferring action on drought control sections and drought contract exemption trailer bill language pending future discussions on the drought package with the Assembly, Senate, and Governor. A previous iteration of this proposal used CARES funding for this purpose. SB 129 also retains the \$1,962,000 for groundwater sustainability plan review.

The budget also retains the approval of \$4,282,000 in reimbursement authority and adds personnel to oversee cleanup of contaminants including per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). This funding underscores <u>a continuing interest</u> of the Legislature, CalEPA, and the California State Water Resources Control Board in monitoring for, detecting, and addressing PFAS contamination.

SB 129 approves the language of the CalConserve Fund trailer bill.

### TRANSPORTATION

Provides \$3 billion in funding for transportation infrastructure across the state including:

• \$1 billion (General Fund) to deliver critical projects for completion by 2028

- \$1 billion (General Fund) for transit and rail projects statewide that improve rail and transit connectivity between state and regional/local services
- \$500 million (General Fund) to advance projects that increase active transportation
- \$500 million (General Fund) to support critical safety improvements throughout the state

The budget also provides \$400 million for a State and Local Transportation Adaptation program.

The budget rejects trailer bill language to extend the AB 8 fees on cars, tires, and boats that fund zeroemission vehicles and infrastructure.

Provides that these funding pots are dependent on future legislation being enacted by October 10, 2021, and if no legislation, the funding reverts to the General Fund.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES: BROADBAND/LIBRARIES PARKS, MOSQUITO/VECTOR CONTROL**

The Legislature's budget plan provides \$6 billion (\$4.3 billion ARPA and \$1.7 billion General Fund) for broadband issues, including:

- \$3.75 billion for middle-mile infrastructure;
- \$250 million for a loan-loss reserve, and;
- \$2 billion for last-mile projects

The 2021-22 Budget includes \$4.3 billion total for broadband for the fiscal year, with the entire middle mile appropriation contained in the fiscal year. Details will continue to be worked out through three party negotiation.

The budget passed by the Legislature approves the governor's proposal of \$3 million in one-time General Fund dollars to support grants to local library jurisdictions to acquire bookmobiles and vans, and provides \$439 million on a one-time basis to support an equity-focused matching infrastructure grant program to support local library maintenance, capital projects, broadband and technology upgrades, and purchasing of devices. The bill also includes \$6 million to support the Broadband Connectivity initiative for public libraries, assisting in leveraging federal funds to connect rural and under-sourced public libraries, tribal libraries and cultural centers and to upgrade local library equipment to support high speed connectivity.

The Legislature's budget bill makes available \$35 million on a one-time basis to support local projects seeking to expand broadband access and upgrade equipment to access high-speed connectivity in isolated and under-served communities through a collaborative partnership of local and regional libraries, local education agencies, and telehealth providers on projects eligible to leverage funding available through the Federal Universal Service Program for Schools and Libraries.

The Legislature's proposal includes a provision restoring \$1.8 million ongoing to the California Library Services Act, and a separate \$1.1 million ongoing to support the administration of new library programs.

SB 129 differs from the previous budget bill by deferring \$200 million in one-time funding for capital outlay local park grants and legislative investments for later action.

The budget also includes \$1 million in ongoing funding for the California Vectorborne Disease Surveillance Gateway (CalSurv) pest abatement program.

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

The budget bill changes employers' contributions to the Public Employees' Contingency Reserve Fund to 0.25 percent of the gross health insurance premiums paid by the employer and employee for administrative expenses. The Director of Finance may adjust the rate to ensure a two-month reserve in the Public Employees' Contingency Reserve Fund. The contributions made to the Contingency Reserve Fund are not used for administrative expense purposes, but are instead utilized to defray increases in future rates, to reduce the contributions of employees and annuitants and the employers, or to increase the benefits provided by any plan to the extent that amounts in the Fund are derived from that plan, upon determination by the CalPERS board.

#### **PROPERTY TAX**

Finally, the budget provides approximately \$11 million for local assistance to local governments affected by the 2020 wildfires.

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PUBLIC SAFETY

# **County Residents Asked to Take Public Safety Power Shutoff Survey**



By Donnie Ryan, County of San Diego Communications Office Jun. 30, 2021 | 9:04 AM

The San Diego County Office of Emergency Services is asking all County residents to fill out a survey about the Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) program.

PSPS is a prevention program sponsored by San Diego Gas and Electric (SDG&E) to reduce the potential for utility-related wildfires. SDG&E will temporarily shut off power to customers in specific areas when wind speed, vegetative moisture, temperature and humidity create a high risk for wildfires.

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Stakeholder and community feedback on PSPS is critical to advancing public safety throughout the County.

Over the past few years, surveys and public workshops have yielded new ideas on how to keep communities and customers safe from wildfires and other disasters, and how to mitigate the impacts of PSPS events.

Those who choose to include their email address in the survey will be invited to attend a virtual PSPS workshop later this year. The workshop will include a review of the survey results, and an opportunity to provide additional feedback on current efforts.

The PSPS **survey** will be available until July 13, 2021, and all County residents are encouraged to provide feedback and ideas on how to mitigate the impacts of PSPS events.

Additional information on how to prepare for and deal with a power outage is available at Ready San Diego.

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# SB 278 May Shift Liability for Compensation that is Misreported to CalPERS Directly to Local Public Agencies Resulting in Significant Unanticipated Liability

By Nathan T. Jackson & Michael Youril on June 25, 2021



The problems facing public agencies, many of which are struggling just to keep their heads above water, may get much worse in the near future. The California Legislature is currently debating Senate Bill (SB) 278 (Leyva), which if passed would create new and in some cases retroactive financial burdens and uncertainties for local public agencies already struggling to fund their pension obligations. Specifically, SB 278 would shift the responsibility for paying disallowed compensation reported to the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) directly to local public agencies.

For context, the Public Employees Retirement Law (PERL) provides a defined benefit retirement plan for public agency employees administered by CalPERS. The Public Employees' Pension Reform Act of 2013 (PEPRA) made changes to the categories of compensation that can be included in an employee's retirement benefit calculation. Compensation items used for retirement benefit

calculations are often specified in collective bargaining agreements and are the product of negotiated agreement. However, the statutes, regulations, and administrative guidance concerning which items are reportable are complex and can be confusing, which sometimes leads to reporting errors.

Under current law, if CalPERS determines that a disallowed item of compensation was included when determining a retiree's retirement benefit allowance, the retiree has to pay CalPERS back the amount of overpayment, and future retirement allowance payments are reduced prospectively based on what the retiree would have received if the improper item of compensation had not been included. CalPERS generally may collect amounts that were overpaid within the last three years. In a nutshell, the individual must pay back and stop receiving that which they were never entitled to in the first place.

If passed, SB 278 would require *local agencies* to pay CalPERS the full cost of any overpayments made to the retiree based on the disallowed compensation *and* provide an annuity or lump sum payment to make the retiree whole for any reductions in future benefit payments. The statute would apply to any determinations made on or after January 1, 2017, if the appeal rights of the retiree have not been exhausted. Importantly, it appears a CalPERS determination made on or after January 1, 2017, could potentially apply to decades of misreported compensation before then, and in many cases would impact an entire bargaining group covered by a particular labor agreement. This may very well incentivize CalPERS to start aggressively auditing local agencies, because any unfunded liabilities for inadvertently misreported compensation would be shifted directly to the employer. The potential retroactive liability for public employers could be significant – and impossible to predict. While SB 278 has a provision for CalPERS to review labor agreements prospectively and provide guidance, CalPERS would not be bound by its guidance. The statute also fails to address past reported compensation that may result in significant retroactive liability.

For current employees, SB 278 does not make significant changes, as it allows improper contributions to act as a credit towards a public agency's future contributions, and any contributions paid by the employee(s) on the disallowed compensation are returned.

Whether SB 278 becomes law is a decision that will likely fall on Governor Newsom's shoulders. A similar proposal – SB 1124 (Leyva) – was passed by the Legislature in 2018, but it was vetoed by

Governor Brown. In his veto message, Governor Brown said he was concerned the bill could be "abused to circumvent limitations in the law intended to protect the government—and ultimately taxpayers—from pension spiking. Indeed, in the case of an error, this bill would effectively perpetuate that error for the rest of the member's life, at substantial taxpayer expense." Governor Brown encouraged the Legislature to develop policies that would prevent such errors from occurring in the first place, including having CalPERS review proposals for pensionable compensation in memorandums of understanding before the memorandum is finalized. If the error occurred after that process, penalties might then be warranted. The current version of SB 278 fails to seriously address Governor Brown's guidance. Another similar bill, SB 266 (Leyva), was withdrawn and held at the desk after it passed the Legislature in 2020.

SB 278 suffers from the same problems as its predecessors. It will lead to whole new category of litigation, does not address concerns with retroactivity and would require public agencies and taxpayers to shoulder the responsibility for reporting mistakes that may cause further crowding out of government services.

Regardless of whether SB 278 becomes law, public agencies should review each item of compensation reported to CalPERS to ensure that the item is reportable under applicable statutes, regulations, and administrative guidance.

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# Cal Fire Offsets Loss of Inmate Help by Hiring Up As California Braces For Long Wildfire Season

California's prisoners have played a key role in fighting fires for decades, but inmate fire camps are down to roughly 1,600 inmates as of May 2021. That's less than half of the prisoners the camps housed in 2016.

By Allie Raffa • Published June 28, 2021 • Updated on June 29, 2021 at 12:12 am

NBC 7's Allie Raffa spoke to a Cal Fire captain about the work that goes into training seasonal hand crews.

For decades California's prisoners have played a key role in fighting fires, but when thousands of inmates with less serious felony offenses were released early due to the pandemic, Cal Fire San Diego moved on a plan to offset the loss by hiring 80 firefighters specifically for the hand crews.

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"We didn't have another option with the inmate population declining," Cal Fire spokesperson Capt. Frank LoCoco said. "We had to shift gears and think of a different option with the likely one being the hiring on seasonal firefighters to supplement those losses."

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According to the Department of Corrections, inmate fire camps are down to roughly 1,600 inmates as of May 2021. That's less than half of the prisoners the camps housed in 2016. The department closed eight of its 43 camps due to a lack of inmates.

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The closures, outlined in Gov. Gavin Newsom's May budget proposal, are projected to save \$7.4 million this fiscal year and \$14.7 million per year moving forward.

LoCoco told NBC 7 California's new state budget allotment helped the agency hire the new hand crew firefighters. It's one unit he says Cal Fire has staffed up in partnership with the California National Guard and California Conservation Corps ahead of what has already been an active wildfire season -- one that is only expected to grow worse.

Hand crews play a critical role in fighting fires, according to LoCoco. The crews, in some cases, hike miles to the site of a fire or are dropped onto a site by helicopters to cut dry brush with chainsaws and other tools in an effort to prevent the blaze from spreading.

The crews have helped battle most of the major fires that scorched a record-breaking 4 million acres in California last year.

But LoCoco said that's not all they can do.

"They also are experienced and trained for other aspects of being a firefighter which includes medical aid, traffic accidents, structure fires and the like," he said.

Tyler Philbrook was hired to join one of Cal Fire's two firefighter hand crews in Fallbrook in April.

"We go when the fire starts and we leave when the fire is done," he said. "We're usually the last ones out of the fire, without us that fire has a risk of spreading so we have a really important job."

Before they can fight the flames, they train at Fallbrook's Rainbow Fire Center for several weeks. The seasonal job lasts about nine months.

"It takes a different kind of person to want to come out here and hike miles and miles before even getting to work, so I'd say if you like working hard and being part of a team and working together to accomplish a mission, it's a great career," Philbrook said.

LoCoco said Cal Fire and hundreds of the agency's new hires have been trained and are ready for this wildfire season.

"This year has been a very busy year in terms of hiring, training and getting all these young folks ready for work. So we're fully prepared. As you've seen over the last couple of weeks, we're going to continue to do everything we have available at fires to get them out and keep them as small as possible. But of course, we need the public's help," he said.

He said he thinks the firefighter hand crew program will turn into a permanent solution.

"I think the firefighter hand crew program is here to stay and we're going to continue hiring seasonal firefighters," he said. "Having the inmate fire hand crews is still a huge asset, but we don't know what the population is going to be in a year or two years. If it continues to decline, we'll continue to have to adapt and continue hiring firefighters to develop more crews."

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# New fire chief takes over

NCFPD promotes 10 including new chief



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New North County Fire Protection District Fire Chief Keith McReynolds gets his badge pinned to his uniform by his wife, Erin, during a pinning ceremony at Station #1 in Fallbrook, June 16.



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A group of NCFPD firefighters are sworn into their new positions during a badge pinning ceremony at Station #1 in Fallbrook, June 16. The promoted positions include the badge pinning of new fire chief Keith McReynolds.

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# Vehicle catches fire on Sumac Summit in Fallbrook

By Village Staff

A vehicle fire was reported Sunday, 4:36 pm at 3801 Sumac summit in Fallbrook. North County Fire Protection District (NCFPD) PIO John Choi said, "The BMW sedan was being driven up a steep hill, started smoking and the engine caught fire. There was a vegetation response as a cautionary, because of the proximity of the vehicle to vegetation." He said it was fully extinguished at 4:52 pm.

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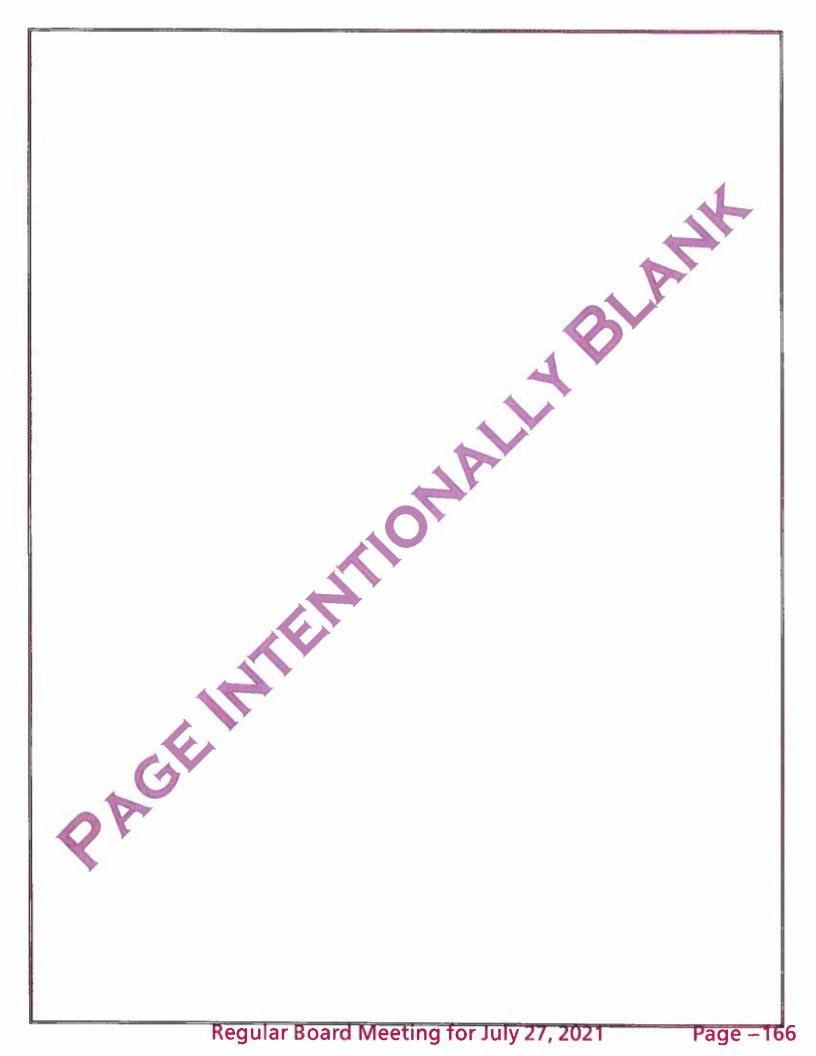
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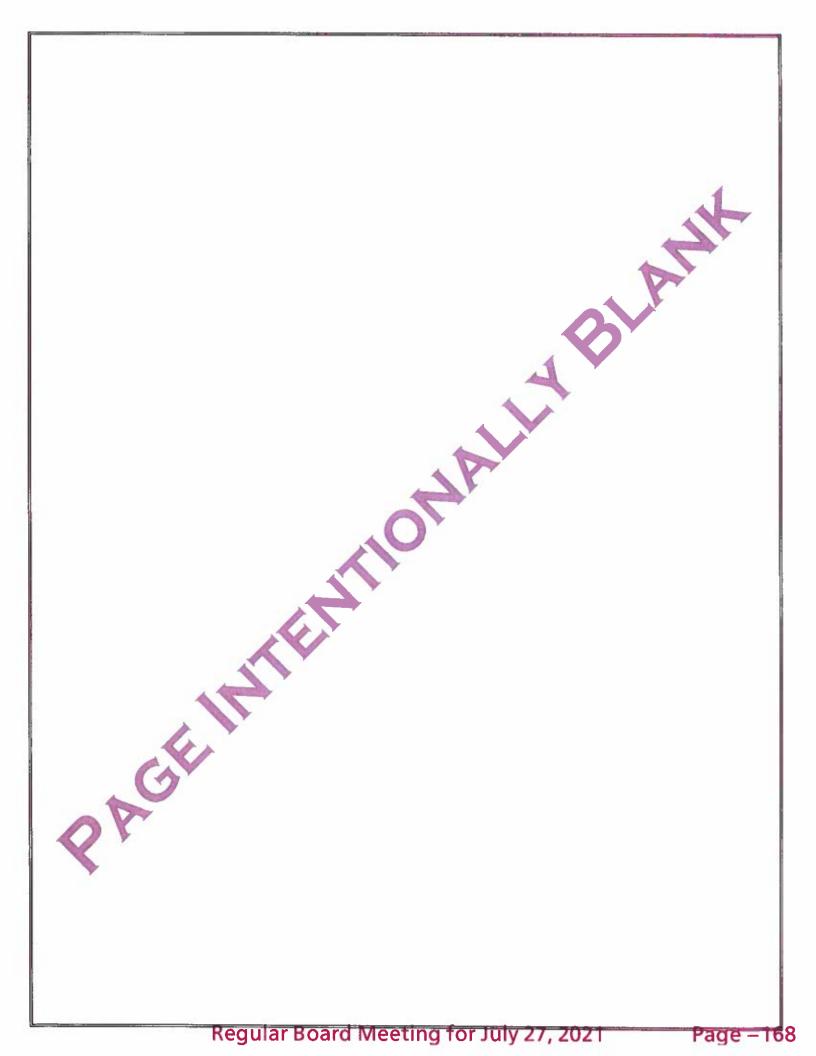
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