



TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

STAFF REPORT

Board Meeting Date: September 17, 2019

DATE: September 3, 2019

TO: Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Board of Fire Commissioners

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SUBJECT: Discussion and possible direction to staff regarding a deployment plan that includes new locations of existing and future district fire stations and firefighting personnel including:

1. Review of response statistics, incident locations and response time performance
2. Possible consolidation of stations 30 (Bowers) and Station 32 (Eastlake)
3. Options for re-deployment of firefighting personnel
4. Mutual and Automatic Aid improvements with Carson City.
5. A discussion regarding possible future relocation of personnel from Station 44 (Stead) to possible new career stations located at Volunteer Station 430 (Silver Lake) and Volunteer Station 440 (Lemmon Valley)

(All Commission Districts) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

SUMMARY

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PREVIOUS ACTION

In 2011 and 2012, the Board of Fire Commissioners and Board of County Commissioners adopted a Regional Standard of Cover. That document defined response time standards and goals.

The Board receives regular monthly reports as to call volume by location and incident type.

On June 18, 2019, The Board of Fire Commissioners received a report from Heather Kerwin and the Fire Chief that discussed the methodology of the deployment plan study.

BACKGROUND

Staff performed an analysis of incident type and volume, per station for years 2015 – 2018. The analysis shows that 75% of incidents occur in the northern portion of the District and 25% in the South. The numbers of fire stations in the north and south is inverted as to call volume. The south district has one more fire station than the north. In addition, the north district experiences more incidents that require a longer operational period to stabilize and extinguish. In addition, three stations in the south district have a very low volume of emergency responses.

The north district can benefit from additional resources and the most practical way of accomplishing this in the short term is to rebalance existing resources.

The Deployment Plan team systematically reviewed many factors to identify gaps and search for opportunities to improve service for the majority of the district and propose potential solutions to increased efficiency.

The Deployment Plan recommends changes in fire station locations and recommends changes in the distribution and concentration of District resources by determining what gaps currently exist and what resources are required for the future based on growth and possible future call volume.

The Deployment Plan will be presented at the September, 17 2019 meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact to receiving the presentation and report – however there are unknown fiscal impacts to implementing recommendations contained therein.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Board accept the presentation and give possible direction to staff.

POSSIBLE MOTION

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

"I move to accept the presentation and"