

MEMORANDUM

June 20, 2024

To: Board of Fire Commissioners

Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District

Fm: Charles A. Moore, Fire Chief

Re: Chief's Report for July 2024

1. Report on the Trail, Sullivan, and Ironwood Fires and Current Fire Conditions

On June 11th, District firefighters and multiple mutual aid partners responded to a wildfire near Trail Drive that threatened nearby homes. The point of origin of the fire was found in TMFR's jurisdiction but burned substantially in the city of Reno's jurisdiction, with some minor spreading to USFS lands. Shortly after stopping forward progress, another fire started behind Hug High School and threatened homes in the City of Sparks.

Staff will give a report on the cause and origin and the suppression efforts of these fires. The burn perimeter maps for the Trail and Sullivan fire are included at the end of this report. The Ironwood map will be available at the meeting.

2. Adverse Weather Plan

Lightning storms are common during wildfire season. These storms can result in multiple fire starts, especially when they are dry, potentially overloading dispatch and fire resources. The Adverse Weather Plan is a TMFR protocol designed to send a single resource to a single event so multiple reports and 911 can be triaged and prioritized for action.

Staff will give a report on the plan so that when you receive a notification from me, you will have a feel for how we will manage the weather-created chaos.

3. Capital Projects Update

Staff participated in a virtual meeting with the executive director of the State Investment Bank (SIB) regarding our application to finance the Hidden Valley Station (37) apparatus bay addition. His feedback was positive, and TMFR staff was requested to present to the SIB Board on July 23, 2024.

I will update the status of the Apple Fire Station and other projects at the July 2nd meeting.

4. Fire Regionalization/Consolidation

At the city of Reno's request, my executive staff and I attended a meeting with the City of Sparks staff and City of Reno staff to discuss the regionalization of fire services. A second meeting has been requested, but a specific date has not been established.

After discussing this matter with the chair, my staff and I plan to attend the next meeting to gather information and bring this matter back to you for direction.