



TRUCKEE MEADOWS FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

STAFF REPORT Board Meeting Date: March 20, 2018

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DATE: March 8, 2018
TO: Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District Board of Fire Commissioners
FROM: Charles A. Moore, Fire Chief
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SUBJECT: Presentation, discussion and possible direction to staff regarding a plan for fire related improvements in the Verdi Community. (Commission District 5) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

SUMMARY

Presentation, discussion and possible direction to staff regarding a plan for fire related improvements in the Verdi Community.

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

PREVIOUS ACTION

September 19, 2017 The Board of Fire heard a presentation from Mike Brown of R&R Partners.

December 5, 2017, The Board of Fire Commissioners accepted a final "Informational Summary/Finding and Recommendations" report on Lakeview Incident #TM160005937 presented by Mike Brown of R&R Partners.

BACKGROUND

On August 2, 2016 the District responded to a report of a structure fire at 345 Lakeview Drive in Verdi Nevada. The initial 911 caller reported significant fire conditions and explosions. Engine 35 (Mogul Fire Station) observed and reported a black column of smoke as they left the station. Engine 35 arrived to find the three car garage fully involved in fire from the side facing the street, consistent with the 911 caller's description. A 360 degree assessment was made by the engine Captain who found a significant portion of the rear of the home also involved in fire with exposures to adjacent structures and wildlands. The Captain's estimate was approximately 40% fire involvement of the entire structure.

Subsequent to this fire, the Board heard public comment regarding the need for improvements to fire service. Staff retained Retired Chief Mike Brown of R&R Partners to review the incident and make recommendations for improvements.

Staff has summarized the findings from the R&R Partners report and additional recommendations from staff into a dashboard (attached). For the reason that water resources for fire suppression are limited in the Verdi area, staff has retained Dyer Engineering to study options, including municipal water / fire hydrants and other low tech solutions such as water cisterns. They will report their preliminary findings at the meeting.

The Fire Chief will also review items on the dashboard. This document will be dynamic and subject to additions and deletions as time goes on.

FISCAL IMPACT

There are no fiscal impacts specific to this agenda item, however, there have been expenditures related to this item from the FY 17/18 budget and budget planning for future items are being considered for FY 18/19.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board accept the presentation and give direction to staff in regards to the plan for fire related improvements in the Verdi Area.

POSSIBLE MOTION

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

"I move to accept the presentation and give the following direction....."