



MEMORANDUM

February 23, 2021

To: Board of Fire Commissioners
Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District

Fm: Charles A. Moore, Fire Chief

Re: **Chief's Monthly Report for the March 2021 Meeting**

A.1 Renewal of the Cooperative Agreement Between TMFR and the City of Reno for Automatic and Mutual Aid.

The Cooperative Agreement between TMFPD and the City of Reno for automatic and mutual aid expires on June 30, 2021. My staff has begun preliminary discussions that include expanding the areas where automatic aid responses will occur (The attached maps are what is contemplated for new automatic aid response zones.). I have communicated with Fire Chief Dave Cochran to determine if there is a desire to include EMS calls in the response protocols.

If automatic aid responses include EMS calls, they will dispatch similarly to the fire automatic aid process, where a dual dispatch occurs. A protocol such as this would potentially provide the closest emergency responder to the medical emergency.

With the preliminary planning for a new CAD system between Reno, Sparks, and TM – this is an excellent time to determine how automatic aid will function going forward if an expansion of the response is approved.

There will need to be some analysis to adding EMS calls so that both parties understand the potential for additional call volume.

A.2 Status of Fuel Projects and an Update on the Fuels Division.

Chief Isernhagen provided an update on pile burning in Galena Creek last month. The pile-burning project is nearly complete. District staff assisted NDF, burning 140 to 160 debris piles burned without incident. Twenty debris piles remain at Marilyn Pond, but the snow is too deep to make burning practical. As we get some decrease in the depth of snow, crews will return to finish the work. I have attached a map of the Marilyn pond for geographic context.





TMFR has hired a heavy equipment operator as an additional resource for fuel reduction projects. NV Energy pays for the cost of the operator by way of the agreement with TM. Additionally, the District received a new track chipper, also funded by NV Energy. The chipper will make our operation more efficient because it is self-propelled and can masticate on-site rather than remove harvested fuels by hand for chipping off-site.



Track Chipper

A.3 Update on Capital Projects.

Based on the Boards' direction last month, I plan to meet with Washoe County Capital Projects staff after the Board Meeting to discuss a revised design process and develop recommendations for the Boards' consideration in April.