

**FALLEN LEAF LAKE CSD
FIRE DEPARTMENT / GENERAL MANAGER / OPERATIONS
REPORT
December 4, 2021**

RESPONSES

- 48 Responses in our district since we have opened in May. These responses also include 18 Strike Team and Task Forces.

TRAINING

- Training is suspended for the winter season.

VOLUNTEER PERSONNEL / SEASONAL PERSONNEL

- Fire Department volunteer and paid personnel are available for winter operations. We will be fully staffed for the 2022 season.

APPARATUS / EQUIPMENT

- Fallen Leaf Lake Fire Department is operational, and all 4-wheel drive apparatus is in service.

LOCAL AGENCIES / AGREEMENTS

- All local area agency agreements for auto aid and mutual aid are in place. We should have an Area Operations Procedure agreement with the USFS at the start of the 2022 fire season.

PROJECTS AND PREVENTION

- The Caldor Fire was considered a National Disaster which brings FEMA in to help recover funding that was used in operations during the fire. We are requesting funding from FEMA to recover excess payroll and equipment usage for the protection of the district during the fire.
- We applied with the County of El Dorado, to requested funding from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. This funding is to recover any losses in revenue or equipment that is needed for the safe operation of the district.
- We applied to the State of California for funding from a special district funds authorized by the Assembly Bill 128 and Senate Bill 129 for any cost or losses from COVID 19 from increase usage of equipment or infrastructure.
- We are applying to Cal Parks for a grant to replace the launch ramp and pier decking.
- We will be applying to Cal OES for a 404 Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. We are determining what is available to the district through this grant for application purposes.

- I have been working with Leona Allen on the Firewise USA and she has offered her assistance in helping with the process for certification. I will be posting information and links on our website for the residents to refer to for information on the process for acquiring a neighborhood certification.
- We are working with Amazon on trying to secure an Amazon Hub Locker System in the area of the store for customer pickup.
- The Caldor fire has brought attention to the fuels and dry conditions, surrounding the Tahoe Basin area. In the Fallen Leaf area, we are working with the USFS to request the removal of slash piles and log decking that has been placed in our district over the past 10 years and not removed. This is now under review by the USFS, and they understand the slash piles and log decking is a hazard and is unacceptable.
- The Fire Department will continue to access our area and provide PRC 4291 inspection. In areas on private property where defensible space must be maintained we will work with the homeowners and advise what fuels should be removed. We are working with the USFS on the continuing project for fuel reductions, that were halted and not brought into Fallen Leaf as they were intended with the South Shore project.
- We intend to continue our efforts next season to clear roadways of brush so apparatus can access the road in a safe manner.
- Please do your part to keep your property in compliance with PRC 4291 Defensible Space guidelines. These guidelines can be found on our website www.flcsd.org under the Fire Department Section.

CSD BOARD MEETINGS

- This meeting and the March Board meeting will be held via Teleconference in compliance with Governor Newsom's guidelines set forth in Executive Order N-29-20. The Memorial Day meeting scheduled for May 28, 2022, will be at the Community Building under rules that may be in place at that time.

STORE / MARINA

- The Store and Marina are closed and will reopen May 2022.



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Fallen Leaf Lake CSD Fire Department