

AGENDA
EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
(FIRE DEPARTMENT)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY FIFTH MEETING
Thursday, September 21, 2023
5:30 p.m. Closed Session
6:00 p.m. Open Session
(1050 Wilson Blvd., El Dorado Hills, CA)

ATTENTION

Residents planning to address the Board of Directors at this Board meeting: due to the concerns about the COVID-19 virus, we respectfully ask if you are feeling ill for any reason not to attend in person.

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NOTE

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- I. Call to Order
- II. Closed Session Items
 - A. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(D)(1):
Conference with legal counsel regarding existing litigation: Thomas and Helen Austin v. The County of El Dorado, et. al.; El Dorado County Superior Court Case No. 21050633
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Consent Calendar (All matters on the Consent Calendar are to be approved by one motion unless a Board member requests separate action on a specific item.)
 - A. Approve Minutes of the 872nd Special Board Meeting held August 14, 2023
 - B. Approve Minutes of the 873rd Board Meeting held August 17, 2023
 - C. Approve Minutes of the 874th Special Board Meeting held August 30, 2023
 - D. Approve Financial Statements and Check Register for August 2023
End Consent Calendar
- V. Presentation
 - A. PG&E Donation
- VI. Oral Communications

- A. EDH Professional Firefighters
 - B. EDH Firefighters Association
 - C. Any person wishing to address the Board on any item that is not on the Agenda may do so at this time. No action may be taken on off-agenda items unless authorized by law. Comments shall be limited to three minutes per person and twenty minutes for all comments unless otherwise authorized by the Board.
- VII. Correspondence
- VIII. Attorney Items
- IX. Committee Reports
- A. Administrative Committee (Directors Bennett and Durante)
 - B. Finance Committee (Directors Giraudo and White)
 - C. Joint Powers Authority (Directors Giraudo and White)
 - D. Communications (Ad-Hoc) (Directors Durante and Hartley)
 - E. CRR Services (Ad-Hoc) (Directors Hartley and White)
 - F. Ambulance Deployment (Ad Hoc) (Directors Giraudo and White)
- X. Fire Chief's Report
- XI. Operations Report
- A. Operations Report (Receive and File)
- XII. Community Risk Reduction Report
- A. CRRD Report
- XIII. Fiscal Items
- A. Public Hearing: Review and approve Resolution 2023-10 approving the Final Budget for fiscal year 2023/24 and authorize expenditures from Reserve Funds
 - B. Receive and file annual Development Fee balance and expenditures report
- XIV. New Business
- A. Public Hearing: Review and first reading of Ordinance 2023-02 adopting an Administrative Citation Program
 - B. Review and adopt response time criteria
- XV. Old Business
- A. Training Facility Update
 - B. EDHCSD/EDHFD 2x2 Update (Directors Bennett and Hartley)
 - C. Cameron Park 2x2 Update (Directors Giraudo and White)
- XVI. Oral Communications
- A. Directors
 - B. Staff
- XVII. Adjournment

Note: Action may be taken on any item posted on this agenda.

This Board meeting is normally recorded.

EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY SECOND MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monday, August 14, 2023, 1:00 p.m.

District Office, 1050 Wilson Boulevard, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Girauda called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Directors in attendance: Bennett, Durante, Girauda, Hartley, and White. Staff in attendance: Chief Johnson and Director of Finance Braddock. Counsel Cook was also in attendance.

II. DISCUSS THE STRATEGIC PLAN

- A. Review the current Strategic Plan** – The Directors and Staff discussed revisions to the Mission Statement, Vision Statement, and Strategic Plan Goals.
- B. Review Assessment Report** – This item was not discussed.

Chief Johnson reported that Staff met with Cameron Park CSD as well as their consultants and El Dorado County Fire, and the consultants outlined what information they will need to do a potential annexation assessment on each agency.

III. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:48 p.m.

Approved:

John Girauda, President

Jessica Braddock, Board Secretary

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EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY THIRD MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, August 17, 2023, 5:30 p.m.

District Office, 1050 Wilson Boulevard, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Giraudo called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Directors in attendance: Durante, Giraudo, and White. Directors Bennett and Hartley were absent. Staff in attendance: Chief Johnson and Director of Finance Braddock. Counsel Cook was also in attendance.

II. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(D)(1): Conference with legal counsel regarding existing litigation: Thomas and Helen Austin v. The County of El Dorado, et. al.; El Dorado County Superior Court Case No. 21050633**
- B. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6; Conference with Labor Negotiators; items under negotiation: Memorandum of Understanding with the El Dorado Hills Professional Firefighters pertaining to wages and benefits; Agency Designated Representatives: Finance Committee, Directors Giraudo and White, Chief Johnson; Employee Organization: El Dorado Hills Professional Firefighters, Local 3604**
- C. Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, conference with labor negotiators; items under negotiation: Contracts with unrepresented employees pertaining to wages and benefits; District negotiator is Chief Johnson**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 6:26 p.m. No action was taken in Closed Session.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approve Minutes of the 869th Board Meeting held July 20, 2023**
- B. Approve Minutes of the 870th Special Board Meeting held August 2, 2023**
- C. Approve Minutes of the 871st Special Board Meeting held August 7, 2023**
- D. Approve Financial Statements and Check Register for July 2023**

Director White made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Director Durante and unanimously carried.

V. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- E. EDH Professional Firefighters** – Vice-President Hemstalk expressed the Union's support for Director Hartley in his recovery.

- F. **EDH Firefighters Association** – None
- G. **Public Comment** – None

VI. CORRESPONDENCE – None

- VII. ATTORNEY ITEMS** – Counsel Cook advised that he is making progress on resolving Ms. Richmond’s property tax issue.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. **Administrative Committee (Directors Durante and Bennett)** – No report.
- B. **Finance Committee (Directors White and Giraudo)** – No report.
- C. **Joint Powers Authority (Directors Giraudo and White)** – Chief Johnson reported that the JPA put out an RFP for Medic 89 and they will be interviewing candidates for the open Executive Director position.
- D. **Communications (Ad-Hoc) (Directors Hartley and Durante)** – No report.
- E. **CRR Services (Ad-Hoc) (Directors Hartley and White)** – No report.
- F. **Ambulance Deployment (Ad-Hoc) (Directors Giraudo and White)** – Chief Johnson reported that Staff has begun conversations with the Cameron Park CSD Board about the current state of the ambulance and fire services in their District.

IX. FIRE CHIEF’S REPORT - Chief Johnson reported the following to the Board:

- Captain Anselmo celebrated 25 years with the Department and Firefighter McMurtry passed probation.
- Staff had met with both with Assemblyman Patterson and Congressman McClintock about the needs in our District.
- The 8/11 drill with PG&E went very well.
- Staff is working through the Station 91 septic system issue.

X. OPERATIONS REPORT

- A. **Operations Report (Receive and File)** – Chief Hall reported the success of the July 3rd event, and added that the crews have been training daily at the new training facility and it has been a great resource.

XI. COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION REPORT

- A. **CRRD Report** – Chief Fields presented a report showing the CRRD data for the month of July, mentioned the success of the builders’ workshop, and commended the CERT team on their participation in the PG&E event.

XII. FISCAL ITEMS

- A. **Review and approve Audit Engagement Letter for the 2022-23 Fiscal Year** – Accounting Specialist Selling presented the Audit Engagement Letter, requesting approval to move forward with Richardson & Company for the 2022-23 FY audit.

Director White made a motion to approve Audit Engagement Letter for the 2022-23 Fiscal Year, seconded by Director Durante, and unanimously carried.

- B. **Review the 2022-23 SAS 114 Governance Letter (Receive and File)** – Received and filed.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

XIV. OLD BUSINESS

- A. **Training Facility Update** – Chief Hall reported that the street monument signs are being installed, the crews are using the facility daily, and PG&E provided some great props for future training.
- B. **EDHCSD/EDHFD 2x2 update (Directors Bennett and Durante)** – No report.

XV. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

- A. **Directors** – Director Durante complimented Chief Fields on her great work with the community and stated that he will not be at the September meeting. Director Girauda complimented Engine 84 on their care and response to Director Hartley’s accident.
- B. **Staff** – Chief Johnson echoed Director Girauda’s compliments to the crews that responded to Director Hartley’s home and expressed the District’s support to Director Hartley’s family. He added that a Cameron Park 2x2 ad-hoc committee was established and will be added to future agendas to keep the Board updated.

XVI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Approved:

John Girauda, President

Jessica Braddock, Board Secretary

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EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY FOURTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, August 30, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

District Office, 1050 Wilson Boulevard, El Dorado Hills, CA 95762

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Giraud called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Directors in attendance: Bennett, Durante, Giraud, and White. Staff in attendance: Chief Johnson and Director of Finance Braddock. Counsel Cook was also in attendance.

II. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

- A. **Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6; Conference with Labor Negotiators; items under negotiation: Memorandum of Understanding with the El Dorado Hills Professional Firefighters pertaining to wages and benefits; Agency Designated Representatives: Finance Committee, Directors Giraud and White, Chief Johnson; Employee Organization: El Dorado Hills Professional Firefighters, Local 3604**
- B. **Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6, conference with labor negotiators; items under negotiation: Contracts with unrepresented employees pertaining to wages and benefits; District negotiator is Chief Johnson**

The Board adjourned to closed session at 9:00 a.m.

The Board reconvened the meeting at 9:31 a.m. No action was taken in Closed Session.

III. FINANCE COMMITTEE (Directors Giraud and White)

- A. **Review Staff Memo summarizing the proposed Memorandum of Understanding for Local 3604 and the Unrepresented Safety Management, Non-Safety Management, and Non-Safety Administrative Support Employee Salary and Benefits** – Director of Human Resources Hall outlined the negotiated changes to the Local 3604 MOU and Unrepresented Administrative Support Employee Salary and Benefits as outlined below.
1. The term of the MOU will be from July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2025.
 2. Cost of Living Adjustments
 - Effective the first full pay period in July 2023, employees shall receive a 5% increase to base salary.
 - Effective the first full pay period on or after October 1, 2023, a one percent (1%) increase to base salary shall be awarded to employees if growth in the El Dorado Hills County Water District property tax revenue for fiscal year 2023- 24 meets or exceeds seven percent (7%). For the salary adjustment, the change in property tax revenue will be calculated using the actual property tax revenue for fiscal year 2022-23 and the property tax revenue estimate provided by El Dorado County for fiscal year 2023-24.

- Effective the first full pay period on or after July 1, 2024, employees shall receive a two percent (2%) increase to base salary.
- If *cumulative growth* in the El Dorado Hills County Water District property tax revenue for fiscal years 2023-24 and 2024-25 meets or exceeds twelve percent (12%), then effective the first full pay period on or after October 1, 2024, either:
 - (1) A one percent (1%) increase to base salary shall be awarded to employees if property tax revenue for fiscal year 2023-24 met or exceeded seven percent (7%); or
 - (2) A two percent (2%) increase to base salary shall be awarded to employees if property tax revenue for fiscal year 2023-24 did not meet or exceed seven percent (7%).

3. Education Incentive

Eligible employees will receive \$300 per month for an AA/AS degree, \$600 per month for a BA/BS degree, or \$900 per month for an MA/MS. Eligible employees will also receive \$300 per month for a Company Officer Certificate or \$600 per month for a Chief Fire Officer Certificate.

4. 457 Deferred Compensation (Retirement Savings Plan)

Beginning the first full pay period in July 2024, for CalPERS “new members”, as defined by PEPRRA, who participate in a departmental 457 deferred compensation plan, the Department shall contribute a matching amount of up to one hundred dollars (\$100) per month towards the employees elected 457 deferred compensation plan.

5. Uniform Allowance

Uniform allowance will now be paid bi-weekly, as it’s currently payable bi-annually.

6. Longevity

Eligible employees shall receive an increase in longevity pay. Employees will be paid \$3,000 per year beginning at 10 years of service and will max out at \$5,000 per year at 30 years of service.

Proposed Longevity Schedule

Upon Completion of Years of Service	Annual Pay
10	\$3,000
15	\$3,500
20	\$4,000
25	\$4,500
30	\$5,000

UNREPRESENTED EMPLOYEES

The only items that are proposed to be different for unrepresented employees are as follows:

Unrepresented Safety Management

Employees will be eligible to receive an Executive Chief Fire Officer or Fire Marshal certification incentive. The certification incentives are non-stackable but one may be paid in addition to an education incentive. Certifications and monthly incentive amounts are as follows:

- Executive Chief Fire Officer: \$900 per month
- Fire Marshal: \$900 per month

Unrepresented Non-Safety Management

- Employees will have a vacation accrual of two hundred twenty-four (224) per year, which would match the rest of the Executive Management team.
- Employees will have a six (6) month severance clause should they be terminated without cause.

Unrepresented Administrative Support

- Employees will be eligible to receive forty (40) hours of discretionary personal time off per calendar year; currently they are eligible for twenty-four (24) hours.
- Employees in the positions of Fire Inspector II and Fire Prevention Specialist will be eligible for State Fire Marshal Certification incentive pay. The certification incentives are non-stackable but one may be paid in addition to an education incentive. Certifications and monthly incentive amounts are as follows:
 - Fire Inspector II: \$300 per month
 - Plans Examiner: \$600 per month

B. Review and approve Resolution 2023-08 approving the El Dorado Hills Professional Firefighters Memorandum of Understanding

Director White made a motion approve Resolution 2023-08 approving the El Dorado Hills Professional Firefighters Memorandum of Understanding, seconded by Director Bennett and unanimously carried. (Roll Call: Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1)

C. Review and approve Resolution 2023-09 approving Salary and Benefits for Unrepresented Safety Management, Non-Safety Management and Non-Safety Administrative Support employees

Director Durante made a motion approve Resolution 2023-09 approving Salary and Benefits for Unrepresented Safety Management, Non-Safety Management and Non-Safety Administrative Support employees, seconded by Director White and unanimously carried. (Roll Call: Ayes: 4; Noes: 0; Absent: 1)

IV. NEW BUSINESS

A. Review and approve Public Salary Schedule effective 7/11/23 – Director of Finance Braddock presented the Public Salary Schedule effective 7/11/23 reflecting all of the changes approved in Resolutions 2023-08 and 2023-09.

Director White made a motion to approve the Public Salary Schedule effective 7/11/23, seconded by Director Durante and unanimously carried.

- B. Review and approve ALS ambulance contract amendment** – Chief Johnson stated that Staff is recommending an amendment to the contract with the JPA allowing the District the option to staff the ambulance with either Paramedics or Firefighter/Paramedics if Local 3604 and the Board choose to do so.

Director White made a motion approving the ALS ambulance contract amendment, seconded by Director Bennett and unanimously carried.

The Board discussed the process of moving forward with filling the vacant Board seat.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

Approved:

John Girauda, President

Jessica Braddock, Board Secretary

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				(Target 17%)		
	Preliminary Budget FY23/24	Actual August 2023	Actual YTD August 31, 2023	Variance YTD Actual to Full Year Budget	YTD Actual % of Full Year Budget	Notes/Comments
Revenue						
3240 · Tax Revenue						
3260 · Secured Tax Revenue	23,676,235	2,308	2,308	(23,673,927)		
3270 · Unsecured Tax Revenue	453,798	2,241	2,241	(451,558)		
3280 · Homeowners Tax Revenue	161,322	-	-	(161,322)		
3320 · Supplemental Tax Revenue	600,000	14,980	14,980	(585,020)		Timing of revenue collections.
3330 · Sacramento County Revenue	32,550	-	-	(32,550)		
3335 · Latrobe Revenue						
3335.2 · Latrobe Special Tax	35,000	150	150	(34,850)		
3335.3 · Latrobe Base Transfer	91,000	-	-	(91,000)		
3340 · Property Tax Administration Fee	(459,416)	-	-	459,416		
Total 3240 · Tax Revenue	24,590,489	19,679	19,679	(24,570,810)	0%	
3500 · Misc. Operating Revenue						
3506 · CRRD Cost Recovery Fees	690,000	49,527	245,765	(444,235)	36%	Fees collected prior to services being rendered
3507 · Hosted Training Revenue	280,000	31,603	146,430	(133,570)	52%	Fees collected prior to services being rendered
3508 · Mechanic Cost Recovery Fees	5,000	-	-	(5,000)	0%	
3512 · JPA Revenue	1,300,000	-	-	(1,300,000)	0%	Timing of invoicing
3513 · Rental Income (Cell site)	54,180	4,515	9,030	(45,150)	17%	
3514.1 · Operating Grants Revenue	-	-	-	-	0%	Timing of grant reimbursement
3514.2 · Capital Grants Revenue	276,635	-	-	(276,635)	0%	
3515 · OES/Mutual Aid Reimbursement	600,000	-	-	(600,000)	0%	Timing of OES invoicing
3520 · Interest Earned	190,000	1,400	1,400	(188,600)	1%	Timing of interest collections
3500 · Misc. Operating Revenue - Other	100,000	68,858	70,087	(29,913)	70%	Workers' Compensation dividends collected in Aug-23
Total 3500 · Misc. Operating Revenue	3,495,815	155,902	472,713	(3,023,102)	14%	
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 28,086,304	\$ 175,581	\$ 492,391	\$ (27,593,913)	2%	
3550 · Development Fee						
3560 · Development Fee Revenue	1,100,000	139,336	139,336	(960,664)	13%	Timing of revenue collections
3561 · Development Fee Interest	-	9,052	9,052	9,052	100%	
Total 3550 · Development Fee	1,100,000	148,388	148,388	(951,612)	13%	
3568 · Proceeds from Insurance	-	-	-	-	0%	
3570 · Proceeds from Sale of Assets	-	-	-	-	0%	
Total Revenue	\$ 29,186,304	\$ 323,969	\$ 640,779	\$ (28,545,525)	2%	

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Expenditures						
6000 · Salaries & Wages						
6001 · Salaries & Wages, Fire	8,561,101	613,017	1,160,272	7,400,828	14%	
6011 · Education/Longevity Pay	610,900	40,623	74,932	535,968	12%	COLA retro payment made in Sept-23
6015 · Salaries & Wages, CRRD	942,245	58,511	106,331	835,914	11%	
6016 · Salaries & Wages, Administration	921,045	60,449	108,592	812,453	12%	
6019 · Overtime						
6019.1 · Overtime, Operational	2,380,746	194,472	314,055	2,066,691	13%	COLA retro payment made in Sept-23
6019.2 · Overtime, Outside Aid	495,868	-	-	495,868	0%	
Total 6019 · Overtime	2,876,614	194,472	314,055	2,562,559	11%	
6020 · P.E.R.S. Retirement	4,021,911	303,458	2,194,588	1,827,323	55%	Pension UAL lump sum payments made in Jul-23
6030 · Workers Compensation	1,165,773	74,306	148,611	1,017,162	13%	Timing of projected premium increase in (11/2023-10/2024)
6031 · Life Insurance	7,469	479	1,436	6,033	19%	
6032 · P.E.R.S. Health Benefits	2,036,619	163,327	488,014	1,548,604	24%	September premium paid in August
6033 · Disability Insurance	22,656	-	1,859	20,797	8%	
6034 · Health Cost of Retirees	1,198,079	72,747	218,413	979,666	18%	Pending annual payment to CERBT
6040 · Dental/Vision Expense	257,460	29,457	55,008	202,452	21%	
6050 · Unemployment Insurance	14,875	14	23	14,853	0%	
6070 · Medicare	199,658	14,038	25,835	173,823	13%	COLA retro payment made in Sept-23
Total 6000 · Salaries & Wages	22,836,404	1,624,898	4,897,969	17,938,435	21%	
6100 · Clothing & Personal Supplies						
6101 · Uniform Allowance	57,602	77	26,343	31,259	46%	Jul-Dec uniform allowance paid in Jul-23
6102 · Other Clothing & Personal Supplies	74,048	2,012	8,549	65,499	12%	Timing of budgeted purchases
Total 6100 · Clothing & Personal Supplies	131,650	2,088	34,891	96,759	27%	
6110 · Network/Communications						
6111 · Telecommunications	69,969	4,078	5,476	64,493	8%	
6112 · Dispatch Services	90,000	-	(20,357)	110,357	-23%	Timing of invoices
6113 · Network/Connectivity	73,311	2,421	3,694	69,617	5%	
Total 6110 · Communications	233,280	6,499	(11,187)	244,467	-5%	
6120 · Housekeeping	84,480	5,067	10,306	74,174	12%	Timing of budgeted purchases
6130 · Insurance						
6131 · General Insurance	270,000	60,492	141,754	128,247	53%	Prepaid insurance premium through Sep-23
Total 6130 · Insurance	270,000	60,492	141,754	128,247	53%	

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6140 · Maintenance of Equipment						
6141 · Tires	40,000	-	-	40,000	0%	
6142 · Parts & Supplies	110,000	10,406	7,281	102,719	7%	
6143 · Outside Work	20,000	-	6,449	13,551	32%	
6144 · Equipment Maintenance	49,064	3,785	1,753	47,311	4%	
6145 · Radio Maintenance	48,425	10,116	12,000	36,425	25%	
Total 6140 · Maintenance of Equipment	267,489	24,307	27,482	240,007	10%	Timing of maintenance
6150 · Facilities Maintenance	274,944	87,448	19,787	255,157	7%	
6160 · Medical Supplies						
6161 · Medical Supplies	60,000	7,353	6,854	53,146	11%	Timing of budgeted purchases
Total 6160 · Medical Supplies	60,000	7,353	6,854	53,146	11%	
6170 · Dues and Subscriptions	20,478	-	10,901	9,577	53%	Pre-paid several annual dues/subscriptions
6180 · Miscellaneous						
6017 · Intern/Volunteer Stipends	3,000	-	-	3,000	0%	
6018 · Director Pay	13,000	600	600	12,400	5%	
6181 · Miscellaneous	14,500	-	184	14,316	1%	
6182 · Honor Guard	2,093	-	-	2,093	0%	
6183 · Explorer Program	3,375	-	-	3,375	0%	
6184 · Pipes and Drums	3,000	-	-	3,000	0%	
Total 6180 · Miscellaneous	38,968	600	784	38,184	2%	Timing of budgeted purchases
6190 · Office Supplies	42,580	2,201	3,794	38,787	9%	
6200 · Professional Services						
6201 · Audit	16,900	-	-	16,900	0%	Timing of audit
6202.1 · Legal Fees	164,400	27,473	11,755	152,645	7%	Timing of invoices
6202.2 · Human Resources	78,900	3,197	3,856	75,045	5%	
6203 · Notices	700	-	-	700	0%	
6204 · Other Professional Services	207,238	18,374	41,336	165,902	20%	
6205 · Elections/Tax Administration	-	-	-	-	0%	
6206 · Public Relations	19,250	1,937	1,937	17,313	10%	
Total 6200 · Professional Services	487,388	50,980	58,883	428,505	12%	

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6210 · Information Technology						
6211 · Software Licenses/Subscriptions	221,460	11,935	86,216	135,244	39%	Pre-paid several annual software subscriptions
6212 · IT Support/Implementation	182,154	9,135	19,235	162,919	11%	Timing of invoices and budgeted projects
6213 · IT Equipment	81,850	3,987	6,516	75,334	8%	Timing of budgeted purchases
Total 6210 · Information Technology	485,464	25,057	111,967	373,496	23%	
6220 · Rents and Leases						
6221 · Facilities/Equipment Lease	58,876	4,998	15,317	43,558	26%	Pre-paid Sept EDC lease in Aug-23
6222 · Solar Lease	-	-	-	-	0%	
Total 6220 · Rents and Leases	58,876	4,998	15,317	43,558	26%	
6230 · Small Tools and Supplies	89,695	6,748	11,080	78,615	12%	Timing of budgeted purchases
6240 · Special Expenses						
6241 · Non-Hosted Training	232,713	7,840	17,876	214,837	8%	
6241.1 · EDC Hosted Training	196,000	22,020	30,215	165,785	15%	
6242 · Fire Prevention	149,670	63,282	58,039	91,631	39%	
6244 · Director Training & Travel	10,000	10	-	10,000	0%	
Total 6240 · Special Expenses	588,383	93,152	106,130	482,253	18%	
6250 · Transportation and Travel						
6251 · Fuel and Oil	150,000	19,138	24,010	125,990	16%	
6252 · Travel	42,000	-	3,175	38,825	8%	
6253 · Meals & Refreshments	35,000	1,785	4,078	30,922	12%	
Total 6250 · Transportation and Travel	227,000	20,924	31,264	195,736	14%	
6260 · Utilities						
6261 · Electricity	70,000	15,849	(540)	70,540	-1%	
6262 · Natural Gas/Propane	50,000	891	891	49,109	2%	
6263 · Water/Sewer	30,000	49	49	29,951	0%	
Total 6260 · Utilities	150,000	16,789	400	149,600	0%	Timing of invoices. Accrual reversal entry posted in July
Total Operating Expenditures	\$ 26,347,080	\$ 2,039,600	\$ 5,478,377	\$ 20,868,702	21%	
Operating Revenue - Operating Expenditures	\$ 1,739,225	\$ (1,864,019)	\$ (4,985,986)	\$ 6,725,210		
6570 · OPEB UAL Lump Sum Payment	-	-	-	-	0%	
6720 · Capital Outlay	2,746,086	126,051	(26,423)	2,772,509	-1%	Timing of invoices. Accrual reversal entry posted in July
Total Expenditures	\$ 29,093,166	\$ 2,165,651	\$ 5,451,954	\$ 23,641,211	19%	
Total Revenue - Total Expenditures	\$ 93,139	\$ (1,841,682)	\$ (4,811,175)	\$ (4,904,314)		

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	Preliminary Budget FY23/24	Actual August 2023	Actual YTD August 31, 2023	Variance YTD Actual to Full Year Budget	(Target 17%) YTD Actual % of Full Year Budget	Notes/Comments
<u>FUND TRANSFERS</u>						
Transfers to Development Fee Fund	\$ (1,100,000)					
Transfers from Development Fee Fund	1,221,430					
Transfers to Pension Reserve Fund	-					
Transfers from Capital Replacement Fund	1,524,656					
Transfers to Capital Replacement Fund	(1,739,225)					
Net Change in Unassigned/Non-Spendable Fund Balance	\$ (0)					

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08/01/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		788.69	X		180,089.01
08/01/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		7,785.00	X		172,304.01
08/01/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		11.54	X		172,292.47
08/01/2023	EFT	De Lage Landen Fina...	-split-	Account # 159...	175.03	X		172,117.44
08/01/2023	EFT	VSP Vision Care	-split-	August-23	926.32	X		171,191.12
08/02/2023	EFT	El Dorado Disposal ...	-split-		1,031.83	X		170,159.29
08/03/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		1,243.00	X		168,916.29
08/03/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		804.59	X		168,111.70
08/04/2023		Deposit	1114 · Due from other ...	Sac County Fin...		X	1,456.05	169,567.75
08/04/2023		Transfer from LAIF	1074 · Local Agency I...	Confirm #1697...		X	900,000.00	1,069,567.75
08/04/2023		Deposit	-split-	Deposit		X	75,835.42	1,145,403.17
08/04/2023	EFT	ADP HCM	-split-	Workforce No...	475.25	X		1,144,927.92
08/04/2023	EFT	ADP	6204 · Other Professio...	Payroll Process...	859.96	X		1,144,067.96
08/04/2023	26496	Aramark	6120 · Housekeeping	Acct. # 175878...	43.76	X		1,144,024.20
08/04/2023	26497	ARI Investigations Inc.	-split-		1,900.00	X		1,142,124.20
08/04/2023	26498	AT&T	-split-	July-23	65.83	X		1,142,058.37
08/04/2023	26499	CA Assoc. of Profess...	-split-	August 2023	1,858.50	X		1,140,199.87
08/04/2023	26500	California State Univ...	6241 · Non-Hosted Tra...	Invoice # SPO...	5,000.00			1,135,199.87
08/04/2023	26501	Caltronics Business ...	-split-		68.05	X		1,135,131.82
08/04/2023	26502	El Dorado Disposal ...	-split-		843.27	X		1,134,288.55
08/04/2023	26503	Emigh Ace of El Dor...	6233 · Station Tools/S...		13.48	X		1,134,275.07
08/04/2023	26504	FedEx	6190 · Office Supplies	Acct 5320-132...	12.93	X		1,134,262.14
08/04/2023	26505	Folsom Lock and Sec...	6150 · Facilities Maint...	Invoice # 650501	2,367.39	X		1,131,894.75
08/04/2023	26506	Foster & Foster, Inc.	6204 · Other Professio...		12,000.00	X		1,119,894.75
08/04/2023	26507	InterState Oil Compa...	-split-		1,799.04	X		1,118,095.71
08/04/2023	26508	Lawson Mechanical ...	-split-		3,703.00	X		1,114,392.71
08/04/2023	26509	Jorgensen Company	6144 · Equipment Mai...	Invoice # 6080...	80.56	X		1,114,312.15
08/04/2023	26510	Life Assist	-split-		3,558.40	X		1,110,753.75
08/04/2023	26511	Longyear & Lavra, L...	6202.1 · Legal Fees	Inv # 22267	880.00	X		1,109,873.75
08/04/2023	26512	Miles Treaster & Ass...	-split-	Invoice # 4977...	64,760.96	X		1,045,112.79
08/04/2023	26513	National Auto Fleet ...	-split-		99,976.72			945,136.07
08/04/2023	26514	Chase Bank	2029 · Other Payable	July-23	500.00	X		944,636.07
08/04/2023	26515	Wells Fargo Bank	2026 · EDH Associate...	July-23	5,630.30	X		939,005.77
08/04/2023	26516	Bobbi Bennett	6018 · Director Pay	July-23	100.00	X		938,905.77
08/04/2023	26517	Greg F. Durante (Dir...	6018 · Director Pay	July-23	100.00	X		938,805.77
08/04/2023	26518	Charles J. Hartley	6018 · Director Pay	July-23	100.00	X		938,705.77
08/04/2023	26519	John Giraud	-split-	July-23	100.00	X		938,605.77
08/04/2023	26520	Timothy J. White	-split-	July-23	200.00	X		938,405.77
08/07/2023	EFT	P. G. & E.	-split-		45.56	X		938,360.21
08/08/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		1,159.65	X		937,200.56

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08/09/2023	EFT	P. G. & E.	-split-		4,923.40	X		932,071.66
08/10/2023	EFT	Nationwide Retireme...	-split-	PR23-8-1	22,918.29	X		909,153.37
08/10/2023	EFT	P.E.R.S. ING	-split-	PR23-8-1	2,436.23	X		906,717.14
08/10/2023	EFT	P.E.R.S. Retirement	-split-	PR23-8-1	5,068.81	X		901,648.33
08/10/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		285.00	X		901,363.33
08/10/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	6204 · Other Professio...	July-23	380.00	X		900,983.33
08/10/2023	26521	A-CHECK	6202.2 · Human Resou...	Inv # 59-07118...	12.50	X		900,970.83
08/10/2023	26522	AC Septic Service	6150 · Facilities Maint...		750.00	X		900,220.83
08/10/2023	26523	Advanced IPM	-split-		469.00	X		899,751.83
08/10/2023	26524	Air Exchange	-split-		2,779.59			896,972.24
08/10/2023	26525	Allstar Fire Equipme...	-split-		3,599.00	X		893,373.24
08/10/2023	26526	Aramark	6120 · Housekeeping	Acct. # 175878...	43.76	X		893,329.48
08/10/2023	26527	AT&T	6111 · Telecommunica...	July-23	39.08	X		893,290.40
08/10/2023	26528	Caltronics Business ...	-split-		956.92	X		892,333.48
08/10/2023	26529	Datacate, Inc.	-split-	Invoice # 2047...	9,369.00	X		882,964.48
08/10/2023	26530	Folsom Chevrolet	-split-		6,336.72	X		876,627.76
08/10/2023	26531	Genuine Parts Comp...	-split-		3,767.37	X		872,860.39
08/10/2023	26532	Golden State Emerge...	-split-		259.38	X		872,601.01
08/10/2023	26533	Hefner, Stark & Mar...	-split-		9,126.00	X		863,475.01
08/10/2023	26534	The Home Depot Pro	-split-		709.38	X		862,765.63
08/10/2023	26535	Hunt & Sons	6251 · Fuel and Oil	Fuel	2,574.41	X		860,191.22
08/10/2023	26536	ImageTrend, Inc.	-split-		11,845.00	X		848,346.22
08/10/2023	26537	InterState Oil Compa...	-split-		8,614.97	X		839,731.25
08/10/2023	26538	Lawson Mechanical ...	-split-		3,862.00	X		835,869.25
08/10/2023	26539	L.N. Curtis & Sons	6102 · Other Clothing ...		2,011.51	X		833,857.74
08/10/2023	26540	R&S Overhead Door...	-split-		647.74	X		833,210.00
08/10/2023	26541	Roto-Rooter Plumbers	6150 · Facilities Maint...		5,500.00	X		827,710.00
08/10/2023	26542	Silverado Avionics	6145 · Radio Maintena...	Invoice # 2440	1,920.37	X		825,789.63
08/10/2023	26543	Steven Davis	6241.1 · EDC Hosted ...		1,000.00	X		824,789.63
08/10/2023	PR23-8-1		-split-	Total Payroll T...	83,835.43	X		740,954.20
08/10/2023	PR23-8-1		1000 · Bank of Americ...	Direct Deposit	310,398.21	X		430,555.99
08/10/2023	PR23-8-1		1000 · Bank of Americ...	Payroll Checks		X		430,555.99
08/14/2023	EFT	P.E.R.S. Retirement (...)	6204 · Other Professio...	GASB Reporti...	2,100.00	X		428,455.99
08/14/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		3.15	X		428,452.84
08/14/2023	EFT	Verizon Wireless	-split-	July-23	5,624.14	X		422,828.70
08/14/2023	EFT	P. G. & E.	-split-		3,804.34	X		419,024.36
08/15/2023			6204 · Other Professio...	Service Charge	558.88	X		418,465.48
08/15/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		15.00	X		418,450.48
08/15/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		423.85	X		418,026.63

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08/15/2023	EFT	De Lage Landen Fina...	-split-	Account # 152...	301.30	X		417,725.33
08/16/2023		Transfer from Paypal	1010 · Paypal	Tranfer from P...		X	68,356.91	486,082.24
08/16/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		1,089.98	X		484,992.26
08/17/2023			-split-	Deposit		X	344,377.18	829,369.44
08/17/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		0.72	X		829,368.72
08/17/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		1,072.00	X		828,296.72
08/17/2023	EFT	P. G. & E.	-split-		364.90	X		827,931.82
08/17/2023	26544	4640 Golden Foothill...	-split-	Invoice # 21386	6,237.65	X		821,694.17
08/17/2023	26545	ACC Business	-split-		751.32	X		820,942.85
08/17/2023	26546	Aramark	6120 · Housekeeping	Acct. # 175878...	43.76	X		820,899.09
08/17/2023	26547	ARI Investigations Inc.	6202.2 · Human Resou...		1,200.00	X		819,699.09
08/17/2023	26548	Brian K Veerkamp	6034 · Health Cost of ...		329.70			819,369.39
08/17/2023	26549	Burkett's	-split-		342.79			819,026.60
08/17/2023	26550	Cal Fire	-split-		7,980.00	X		811,046.60
08/17/2023	26551	DMV Renewal	6243 · Licenses		10.00			811,036.60
08/17/2023	26552	FailSafe Testing LLC	6144 · Equipment Mai...	Invoice # 12918	105.00	X		810,931.60
08/17/2023	26553	Ferrell Gas	-split-	Account # 886...	460.83	X		810,470.77
08/17/2023	26554	Howard Cooke	-split-	Invoice # 307-...	4,500.00			805,970.77
08/17/2023	26555	InterState Oil Compa...	-split-		3,914.84	X		802,055.93
08/17/2023	26556	Larry R. Fry	-split-		461.60	X		801,594.33
08/17/2023	26557	Metropolitan Life Ins...	6031 · Life Insurance	Customer Num...	478.80	X		801,115.53
08/17/2023	26558	Motorola Solutions Inc	-split-	Customer Acct....	3,590.30	X		797,525.23
08/17/2023	26559	Preferred Alliance, Inc.	6202.2 · Human Resou...	Invoice # 0188...	84.00	X		797,441.23
08/17/2023	26560	Quadient Finance US...	-split-	Account # 790...	186.21	X		797,255.02
08/17/2023	26561	Vincent Communicat...	6145 · Radio Maintena...	Invoice # 86195	556.54	X		796,698.48
08/17/2023	26562	West Coast Events	6253 · Meals & Refres...		1,753.00	X		794,945.48
08/17/2023	26563	Harrah's Northern Ca...	-split-		26,937.50	X		768,007.98
08/18/2023	EFT	P. G. & E.	-split-		8,961.86	X		759,046.12
08/19/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		30.00	X		759,016.12
08/21/2023	EFT	P. G. & E.	-split-		827.58	X		758,188.54
08/21/2023	EFT	Verizon Wireless	-split-	July-23	2,014.52	X		756,174.02
08/22/2023		Transfer from LAIF	1074 · Local Agency I...	Confirm #1698...		X	515,000.00	1,271,174.02
08/22/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		2,500.03	X		1,268,673.99
08/23/2023	EFT	P.E.R.S. Health	-split-	September 2023	232,976.51	X		1,035,697.48
08/23/2023	EFT	P.E.R.S. ING	-split-	PR23-8-2	2,436.23	X		1,033,261.25
08/23/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		2,933.36	X		1,030,327.89
08/24/2023			-split-	VOID Check # ...		X	469.00	1,030,796.89
08/24/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		94.20	X		1,030,702.69
08/24/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		328.00	X		1,030,374.69
08/24/2023	26564	3 ys Lawn Service	6150 · Facilities Maint...		720.00	X		1,029,654.69

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08/24/2023	26565	Advanced IPM	-split-	Re-issue Lost ...	469.00	X		1,029,185.69
08/24/2023	26566	Alert-All Corp	6242 · Fire Prevention		1,881.26	X		1,027,304.43
08/24/2023	26567	Aflac	2100 · Payroll Liabilities	Inv # 947339	721.06			1,026,583.37
08/24/2023	26568	Aramark	6120 · Housekeeping	Acct. # 175878...	43.76	X		1,026,539.61
08/24/2023	26569	AT&T	6111 · Telecommunica...	July-23	70.38			1,026,469.23
08/24/2023	26570	Benuto Tree Service	-split-	Weed Abatement	54,810.00	X		971,659.23
08/24/2023	26571	Colantuono, Highsmi...	6202.1 · Legal Fees	Invoice# 55763	35.00	X		971,624.23
08/24/2023	26572	Atwood Insurance	6131 · General Insurance	Invoice # 15211	60,492.00	X		911,132.23
08/24/2023	26573	Emigh Ace of El Dor...	6142 · Parts & Supplies		43.02	X		911,089.21
08/24/2023	26574	Interstate Sales	6242 · Fire Prevention	VOID: Invoice ...		X		911,089.21
08/24/2023	26575	InterState Oil Compa...	6251 · Fuel and Oil		2,235.07	X		908,854.14
08/24/2023	26576	Interwest Consulting ...	-split-		6,290.00	X		902,564.14
08/24/2023	26577	iPROMOTEu	6206 · Public Relations		1,287.00	X		901,277.14
08/24/2023	26578	L.N. Curtis & Sons	6233 · Station Tools/S...		3,947.16	X		897,329.98
08/24/2023	26579	Liberty Bell Smart H...	-split-	Invoice # 665579	74.99	X		897,254.99
08/24/2023	26580	Longyear & Lavra, L...	6202.1 · Legal Fees	Inv # 22336	1,880.00	X		895,374.99
08/24/2023	26581	Mountain Democrat	6206 · Public Relations		650.00	X		894,724.99
08/24/2023	26582	SignChef Inc.	6242 · Fire Prevention		300.30	X		894,424.69
08/24/2023	26583	State Fire Training	-split-	Lilienthal Instr...	500.00			893,924.69
08/24/2023	PR23-8-2		-split-	Total Payroll T...	96,129.71	X		797,794.98
08/24/2023	PR23-8-2		1000 · Bank of Americ...	Direct Deposit	335,346.39	X		462,448.59
08/24/2023	PR23-8-2		1000 · Bank of Americ...	Payroll Checks		X		462,448.59
08/25/2023	EFT	Nationwide Retireme...	-split-	PR23-8-2	23,218.29	X		439,230.30
08/25/2023	EFT	Allied Administrator...	-split-	September 2023	6,395.64	X		432,834.66
08/28/2023	EFT	State Compensation ...	6030 · Workers Compe...	Policy # 11048...	74,305.67	X		358,528.99
08/29/2023		Deposit	3500 · Misc. Operating...	US Bank Rewa...		X	2,093.01	360,622.00
08/29/2023	EFT	U.S. Bank Telepay	2010 · Accounts Payable	Reference # 11...	44,077.97	X		316,544.03
08/29/2023	EFT	P.E.R.S. Retirement	-split-	PR23-7-2	133,610.38	X		182,933.65
08/29/2023	EFT	P.E.R.S. Retirement	-split-	Uniform Allow...	5,165.36	X		177,768.29
08/29/2023	EFT	P.E.R.S. Retirement	-split-	PR23-8-2	129,608.04	X		48,160.25
08/29/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		505.63	X		47,654.62
08/29/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		1,731.78	X		45,922.84
08/29/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		274.30	X		45,648.54
08/29/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		186.88	X		45,461.66
08/29/2023	26584	ACC Business	6113 · Network/Conne...		1,621.03			43,840.63
08/29/2023	26585	AT&T	-split-	July-23	70.72			43,769.91
08/29/2023	26586	Aramark	6120 · Housekeeping	Acct. # 175878...	43.76			43,726.15
08/29/2023	26587	Cal Fire	-split-		8,540.00			35,186.15
08/29/2023	26588	CA Assoc. of Profess...	-split-	September 2023	1,858.50			33,327.65
08/29/2023	26589	Caltronics Business ...	-split-		157.75			33,169.90

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08/29/2023	26591	Datacate, Inc.	-split-	Invoice # 2047...	258.00			31,234.83
08/29/2023	26592	L.N. Curtis & Sons	6233 · Station Tools/S...		2,787.09			28,447.74
08/29/2023	26593	Lawson Mechanical ...	-split-		1,643.00			26,804.74
08/29/2023	26594	Liebert Cassidy Whit...	-split-		15,551.50			11,253.24
08/29/2023	26595	RadioMobile, Inc.	6145 · Radio Maintena...	Invoice # 23199	4,048.58			7,204.66
08/29/2023	26596	Signal Service	6150 · Facilities Maint...	Invoice # 373766	132.00			7,072.66
08/29/2023	26597	The Permanente Med...	6204 · Other Professio...	Invoice # EDH...	2,000.00			5,072.66
08/29/2023	26598	Wilkinson Portables, ...	6221 · Facilities/Equip...	Invocie # 150625	114.13			4,958.53
08/30/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		708.00	X		4,250.53
08/31/2023		Deposit	3513 · Rental Income (...)	Verizon Cell Si...		X	2,100.00	6,350.53
08/31/2023		Void	6120 · Housekeeping		514.80	X		5,835.73
08/31/2023	EFT	Sterling Administrati...	-split-		3,124.00			2,711.73



El Dorado Hills Fire Department- Training Center

Utility Props for Fire Training

Introductions:

- Mark Duri, Senior Manager- Emergency Management
- Angie Gibson, Vice President- Emergency Preparedness and Response
- Joe Wilson, Vice President- North Valley and Sierra Region



Internal



El Dorado Hills Fire Department- Training Center

Background;

Our local PSS team met with Chief Hall in Fall of 2022.

Concept paper and request submitted in late January.

April Walk through with Fire and PG&E staff.

Funding approved in June.

Props installed in July.

Utility Props for Fire Training



Internal



El Dorado Hills Fire Department- Training Center

Utility Props for Fire Training

Why is this important?



- Safety is paramount for all emergency responders and public.
- Training is the foundation of our professional relationships.



El Dorado Hills Fire Department- Training Center



Utility Props for Fire Training

Electrical Utility Props (Distribution)

- 3 poles, 2 spans of conductor (Rope installed for safety).
- 2 Transformers, 1 pole mount and 1 pad mount.
- 2 Service panels

****No connection to services***



El Dorado Hills Fire Department- Training Center



Utility Props for Fire Training Gas Utility Props (Distribution)

- 2 Residential Gas Meters
- Trace Wire (Line Simulation)
- * ***No connection to services***



El Dorado Hills Fire Department- Training Center



Know what's below.
Call 811 before you dig.



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El Dorado Hills Fire Department- Training Center



Thank you!



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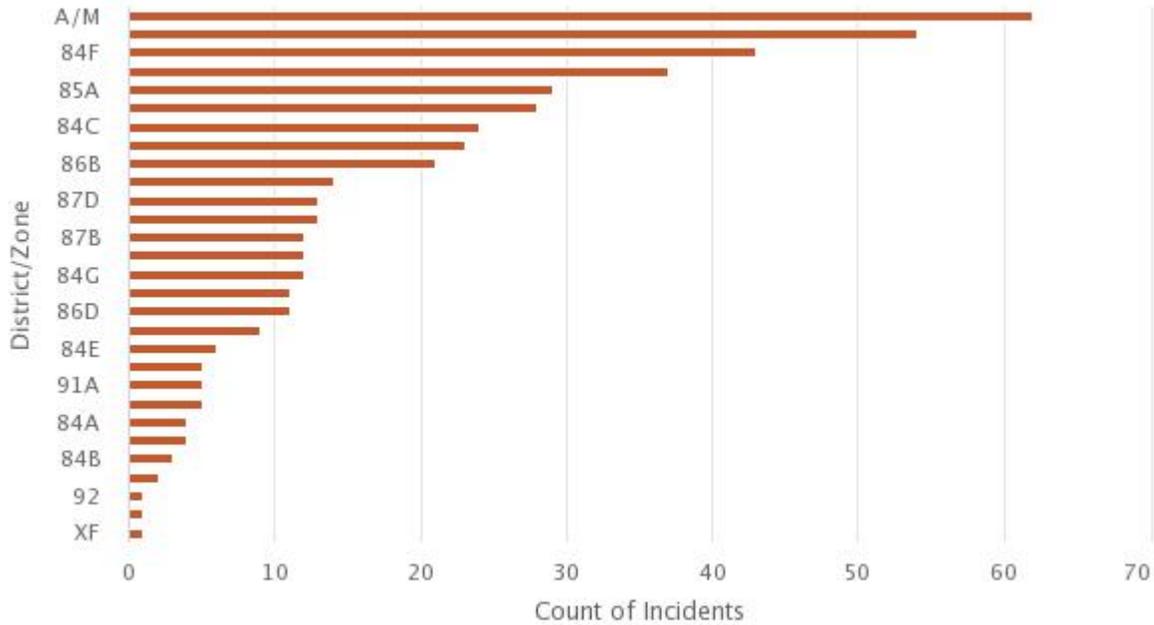


MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT
AUGUST 2023

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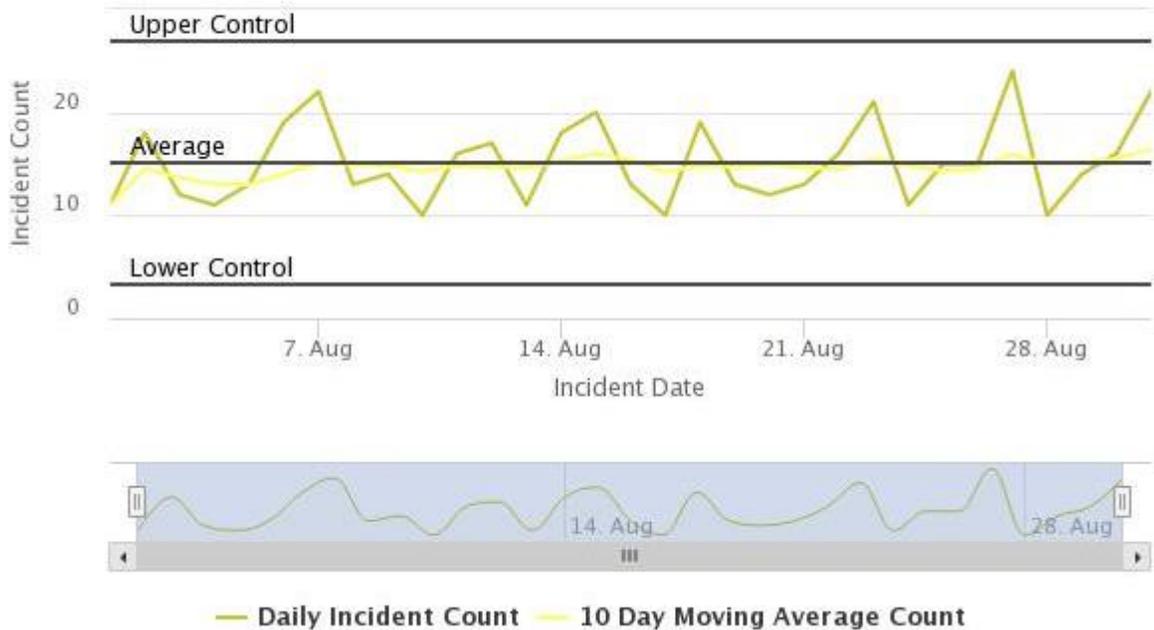
Incidents by District/Zone

Aug 01, 2023 to Aug 31, 2023



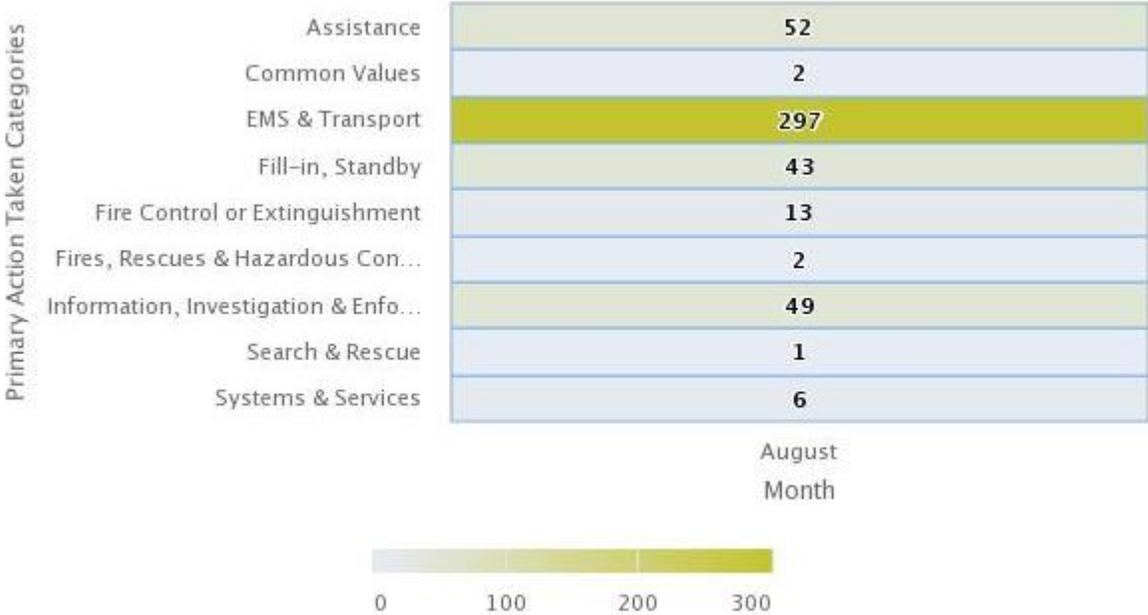
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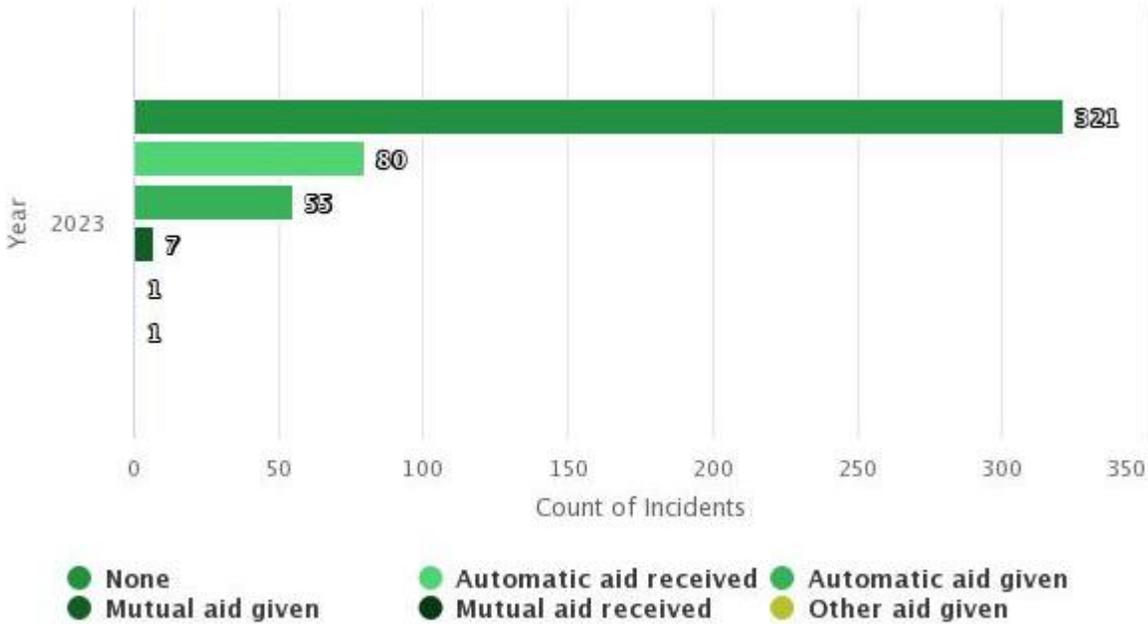
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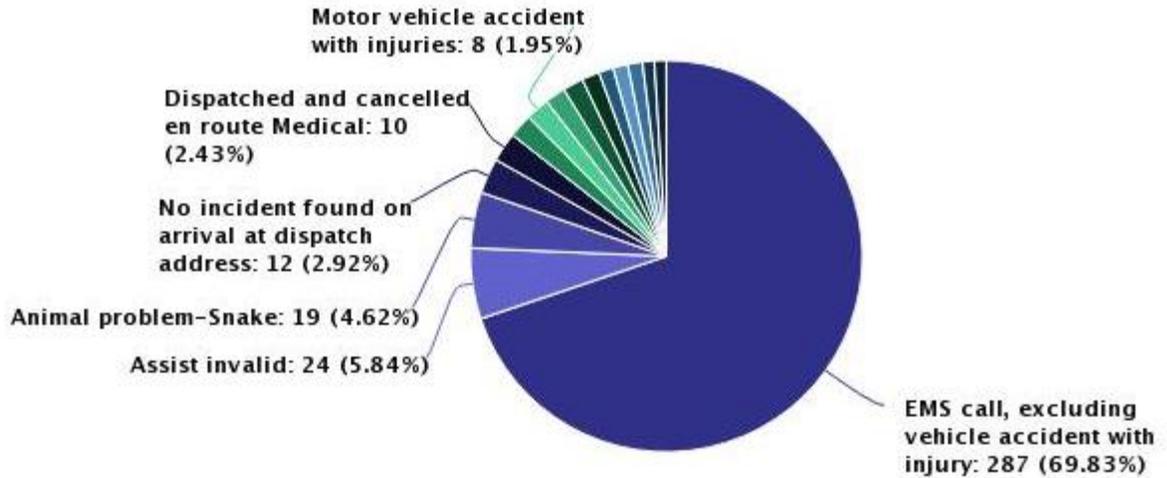
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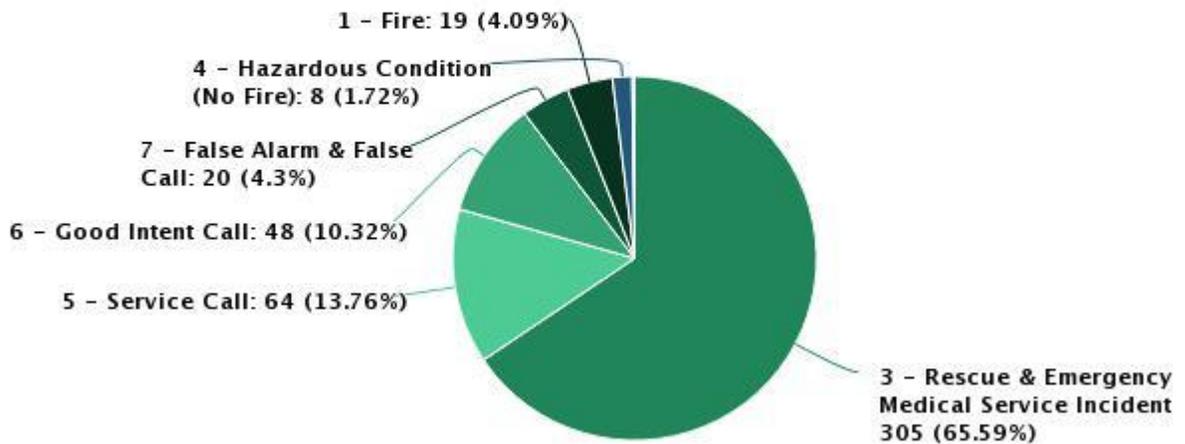
Response/Incident Types & Categories

Aug 01, 2023 to Aug 31, 2023



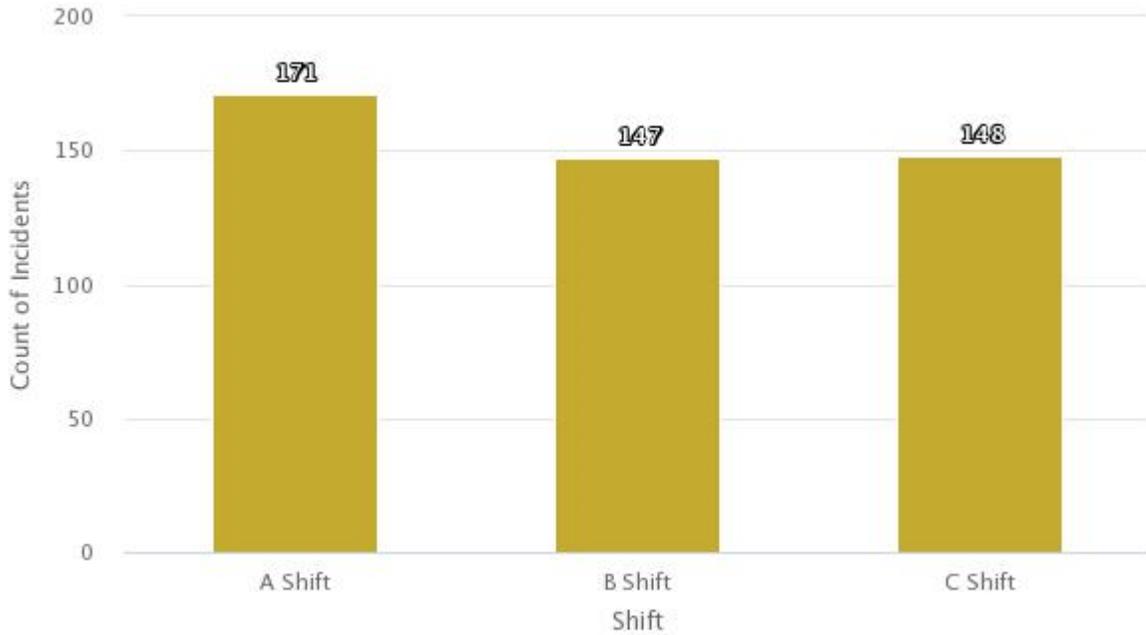
Incident Type Categories

Aug 01, 2023 to Aug 31, 2023



Incident Response by Shift

Aug 01, 2023 to Aug 31, 2023



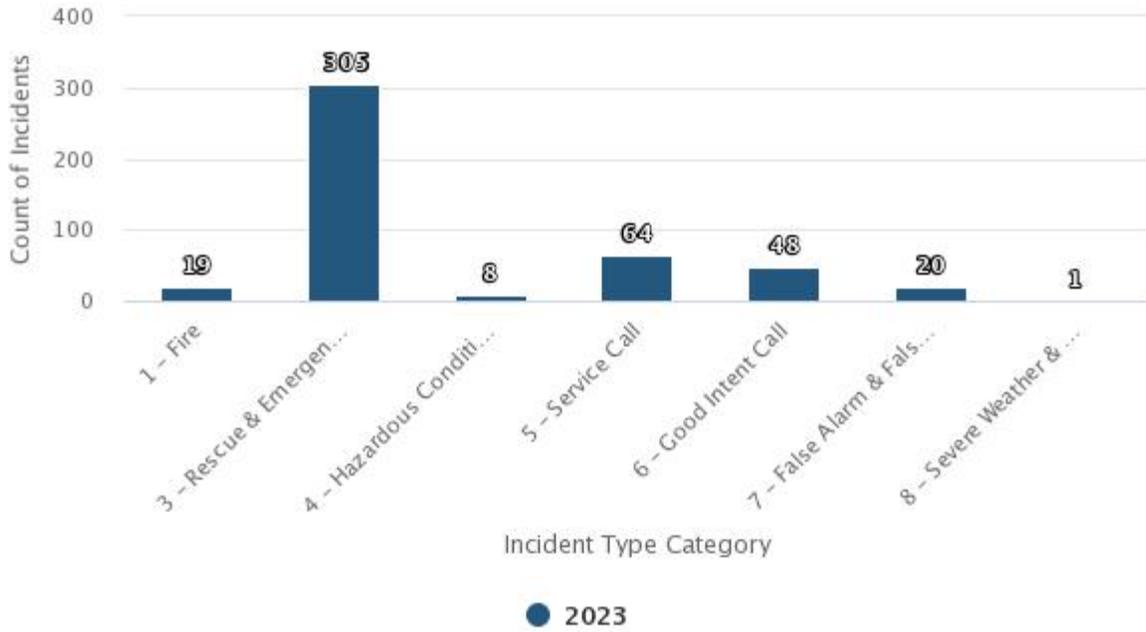
Incidents by Hour of the Day

Aug 01, 2023 to Aug 31, 2023

Sunday	3	2	0	1	3	3	1	6	4	2	3	3	2	1	4	4	2	3	3	6	3	2	4	1
Monday	0	0	1	0	0	3	2	4	3	3	4	3	4	1	5	4	3	3	5	3	9	1	0	2
Tuesday	2	3	2	0	2	2	2	1	4	2	7	6	3	4	9	3	0	5	1	2	6	4	4	0
Wednesday	1	2	2	4	1	0	1	1	6	5	4	5	2	7	5	10	3	4	5	7	2	2	1	2
Thursday	1	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	1	7	2	4	5	5	4	3	2	5	11	2	4	2	3	0
Friday	2	1	2	2	0	1	4	1	2	5	1	5	6	3	2	2	2	6	3	2	3	2	1	3
Saturday	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	4	3	2	2	2	4	3	4	5	4	3	6	0	4	5	1	1
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	Hour of Day																							

Incident Category

Aug 01, 2023 to Aug 31, 2023



*Emergency Response Summary – Medic Units Response Time –
El Dorado – August 2023*

URBAN RESPONSE,

11-minutes, 90% of time

Response Time Between 00:00:00 - 00:00:59	2.15%
Response Time Between 00:01:00 - 00:01:59	3.58%
Response Time Between 00:02:00 - 00:02:59	7.53%
Response Time Between 00:03:00 - 00:03:59	17.56%
Response Time Between 00:04:00 - 00:04:59	32.62%
Response Time Between 00:05:00 - 00:05:59	47.31%
Response Time Between 00:06:00 - 00:06:59	63.80%
Response Time Between 00:07:00 - 00:07:59	72.04%
Response Time Between 00:08:00 - 00:08:59	77.78%
Response Time Between 00:09:00 - 00:09:59	82.80%
Response Time Between 00:10:00 - 00:10:59	88.53%

Medic Unit Response Comparison by Month/Year

MONTH	2023	2022
January	82.43%	91.28%
February	89.68%	90.98%
March	89.33%	95.33%
April	88.49%	93.70%
May	89.44%	92.04%
June	87.10%	91.24%
July	84.25%	86.31%
August	88.53%	91.13%
September		87.02%
October		88.26%
November		88.48%
December		86.80%

The percentages represented does not reflect reconciled percentages from exception reporting

Response times standards are designed to ensure a quick response to the public’s request for assistance is achieved. The times listed above are raw, in that, they do not reflect “accepted reasoning” for the delay. At the end of each month, exception reports are filed with the County of El Dorado (Local EMS Agency) by the Department for incidents that are outside the established response time parameters. The reports provide the reasoning why the ambulance did not respond in a timely manner. These reports are then reviewed by the Local EMS Agency and either accepted or denied.

Examples of acceptable reasoning are, but not limited to, weather delays, incorrect address, patient left scene, road construction, incident downgraded in severity requiring no lights/siren (Code 3), etc. Once a decision has been made whether a reason is valid or not, the percentage may be adjusted.

Operations

Crews continued to expand their use of the Fire Training Center. The first live fire training was conducted in the month of August. This first fire was used by the cadre of instructors who have been tasked with providing the department as well as surrounding agencies with live fire training in the Department's facility. They were able to see how the fire behaves, how the fire flows through the building, and what type of realism beyond heat and smoke that crews will be met with. This first burn was conducted in Building 2, the west, ranch style house.

The fire behavior that was encountered was surprisingly realistic and will provide personnel with real life complexity in a controlled environment. The fire paneling worked as it was designed and took the heat and direct flame impingement without issue.



The Department supported the State's responses to large wildland fires, the following deployments were;

- Happy Camp Complex
 - Deputy Chief Dustin Hall
 - Battalion Chief Dave Brady
 - Battalion Chief Chris Landry
 - Fire Captain Ryan Bennett
 - Fire Engineer Thrace Ramsey
 - Firefighter Brad Willock
 - Firefighter Brandon McMurtry
- Highway Incident
 - Battalion Chief Chris Landry
 - Fire Captain Ryan Bennett
 - Fire Engineer Thrace Ramsey
 - Firefighter Brad Willock
 - Firefighter Brandon McMurtry
- Deep Incident
 - Fire Captain Mike MacKenzie



Happy Camp Complex – Klamath



The Highway Incident – Nevada County

The Deep Incident – Trinity County



Training

This month company and multi-company fire training focused on commercial forcible entry, FDC/Standpipe, and RIC deployments. EMS multi-company training for the month of August consisted of protocol review on hyperglycemia, seizures, head trauma, and crush syndrome.

Crews rotated to 87's first in area for elevator rescue training. Folsom Fire Department participated in residential structure fire training with El Dorado Hills fire personnel at the Fire Training Center. EDHFD burn cadre conducted first live burn sets at the EDH Training Center building #2.



Battalion Chief Updates

A-Shift – Chief Antonio Moreno

Incidents

Multiple small grass fires along Hwy 50 – El Dorado Hills



Residential Structure Fire – El Dorado Hills



Commercial Vehicle Fire – El Dorado Hills

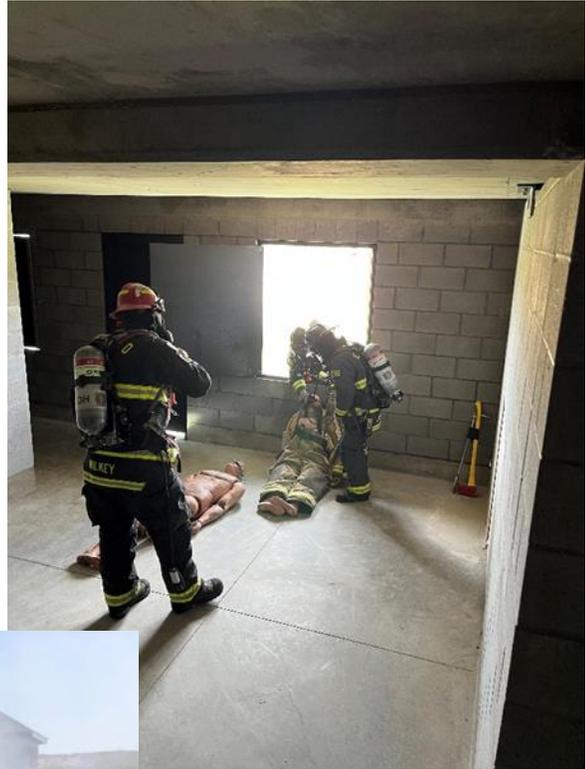


Training

Water Rescue



Fire Training Center

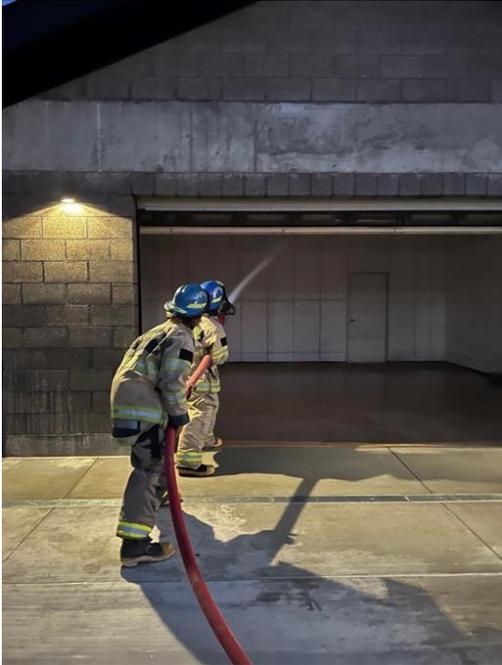


Acting Battalion Chief



Explorer Program

The program is back from summer break



B-Shift – Chief Dave Brady

Incidents

Garbage Truck Fire – Latrobe



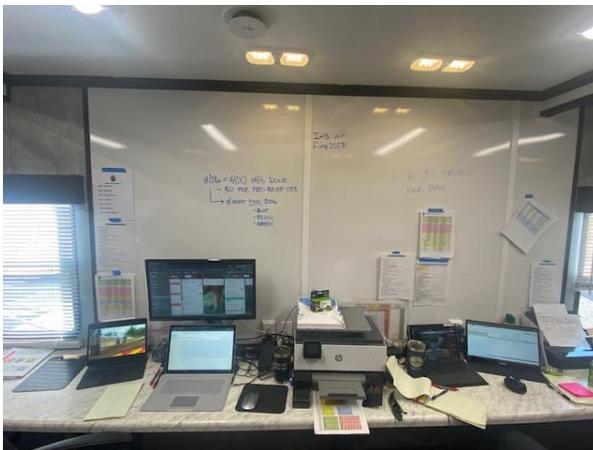
Training

Probationary Firefighter evaluations – EDH FTC



Deployment

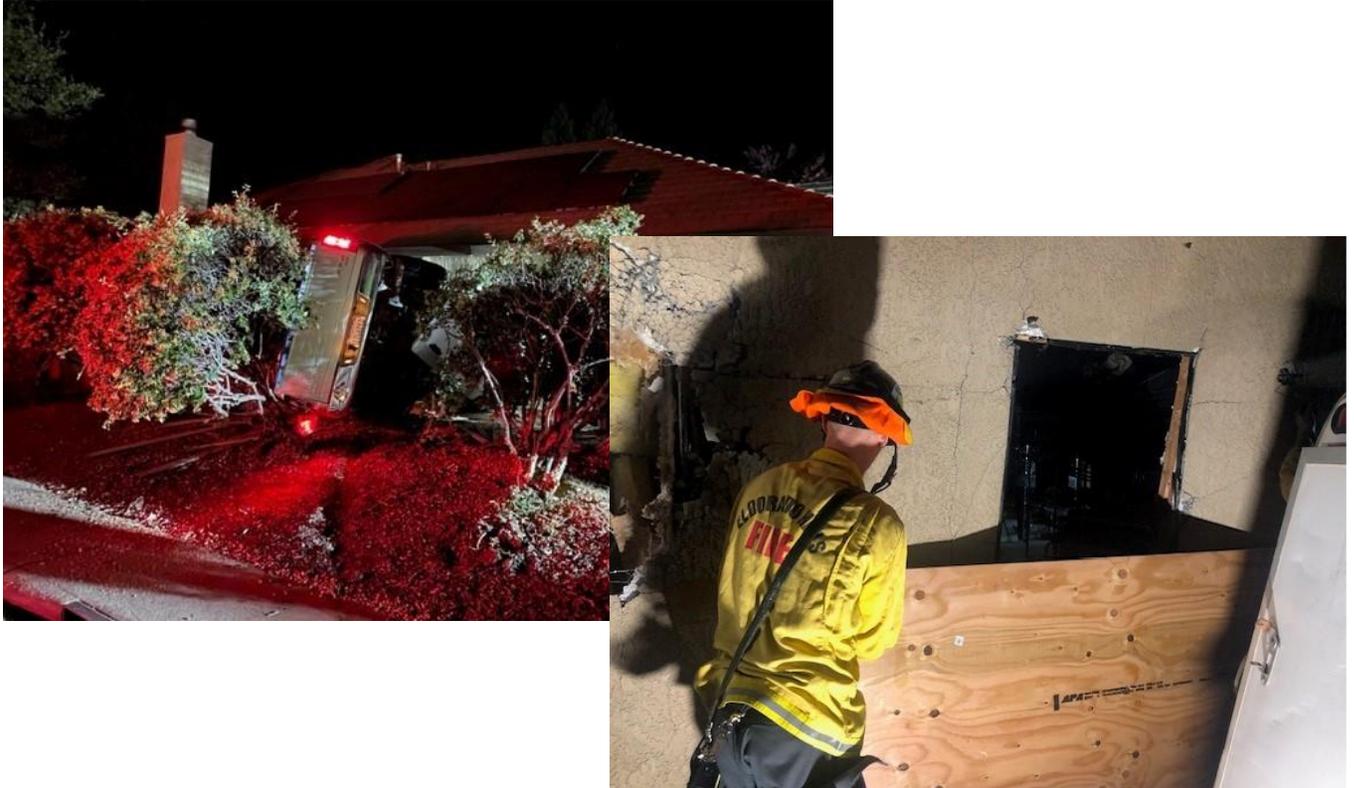
Battalion Chief Brady was assigned to the Happy Camp Complex as a Status/Check-in Recorder – Trainee (SCKN-T). During his deployment he was able to successfully complete his task book and has earned his qualified SCKN qualification.



C-Shift – Chief Chris Landry

Incidents

Vehicle into a structure – El Dorado Hills



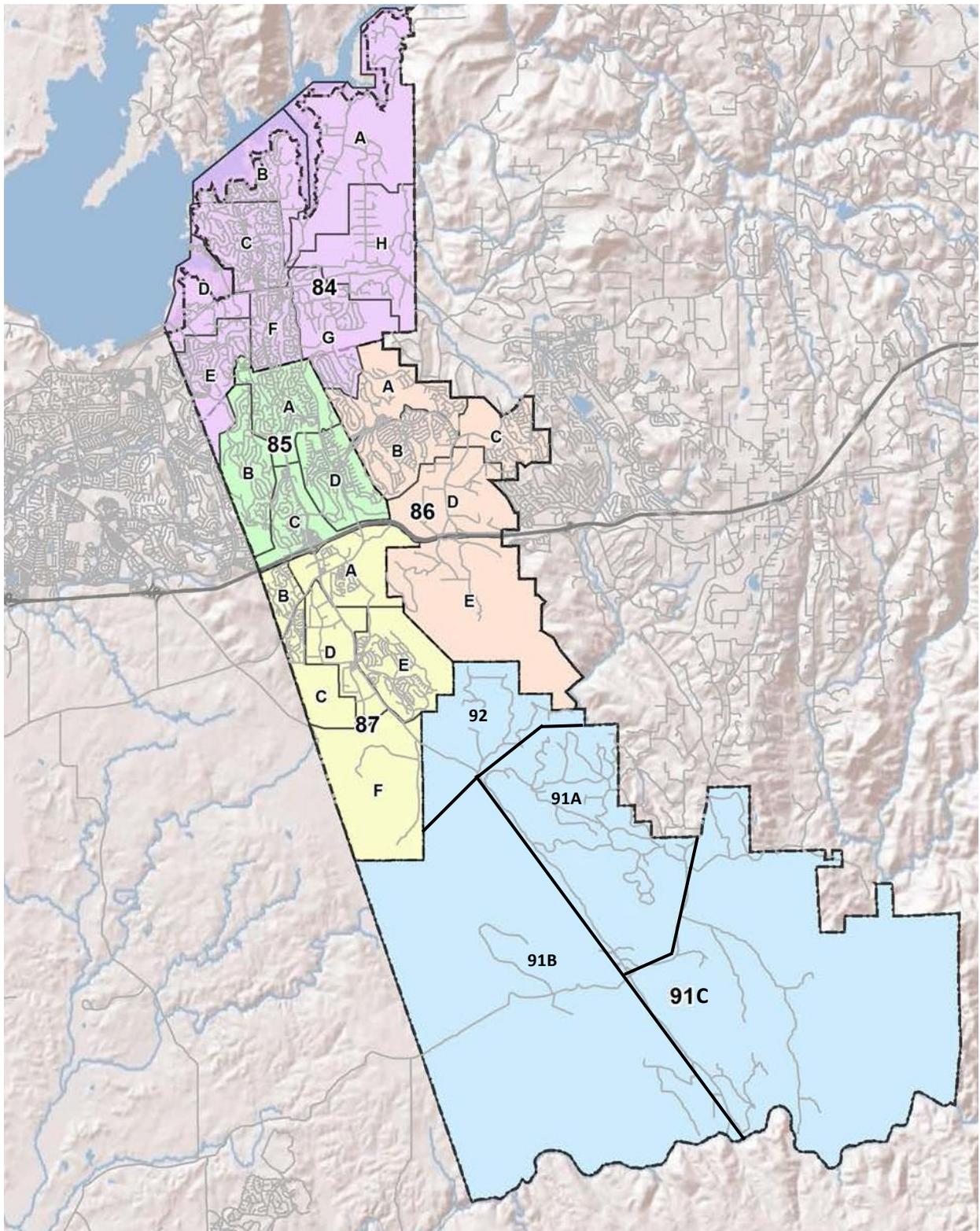
Traffic Collision – El Dorado Hills



Battalion Chief Landry was deployed as a Strike Team Leader – Trainee on Strike Team 4076C with E-386 staffed with Captain Bennett, Engine Ramsey, and Firefighters Willock and McMurtry to two different incidents, the Highway incident and the Happy Camp Complex.







EL DORADO HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Community Risk Reduction Division

August 2023 Report

OVERVIEW

The El Dorado Hills Fire Department, Community Risk Reduction Division (CRRD) continues to see significant residential development and vegetation management program activity throughout the reporting period. Major construction activity continues in the Promontory, Saratoga Estates, Serrano, Carson Creek, Bell Ranch, Ridgeview, and Bass Lake North areas of the District. New project proposals consisting of Latrobe Self Storage at Latrobe Rd. and Suncast Lane, Rancho Victoria residential subdivision consisting of 8 40-acre residential parcels, Gateway of El Dorado industrial development at Golden Foothill Parkway, Town & Country Village conference and hotel facilities at Bass Lake Road, Montano 330 multi-family dwelling units at White Rock Rd. & Latrobe Rd., Quantam Care Residential Care Facility at Carson Crossing, and Costco at Silva Valley are ongoing. New commercial construction consisting of the Aloft Hotel in Town Center continues to progress.

CRRD has received a total of **150** applications for permit in the month of August 2023. New home construction permit activity was the leading permit submittal type with **92** plan applications received.

MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENTS

CRRD staff completed the following activities during the last 30 days:

- Completed **142** reviews of plans for permit.
- Completed **198** construction inspections and **157** smoke and carbon monoxide alarm inspections.
- Completed **23** fire and life safety inspections of residential and commercial occupancies.
- Completed **144** defensible space and vegetation complaint inspections on behalf of El Dorado County.
- Completed **1** defensible space public education event in the Stewart Mine Road (Kelsey Area) County Enforcement Area (CEA) and provided wildfire simulation education at the Lake Valley CEA workshop.
- Trained and assisted in **6** car seat installations.

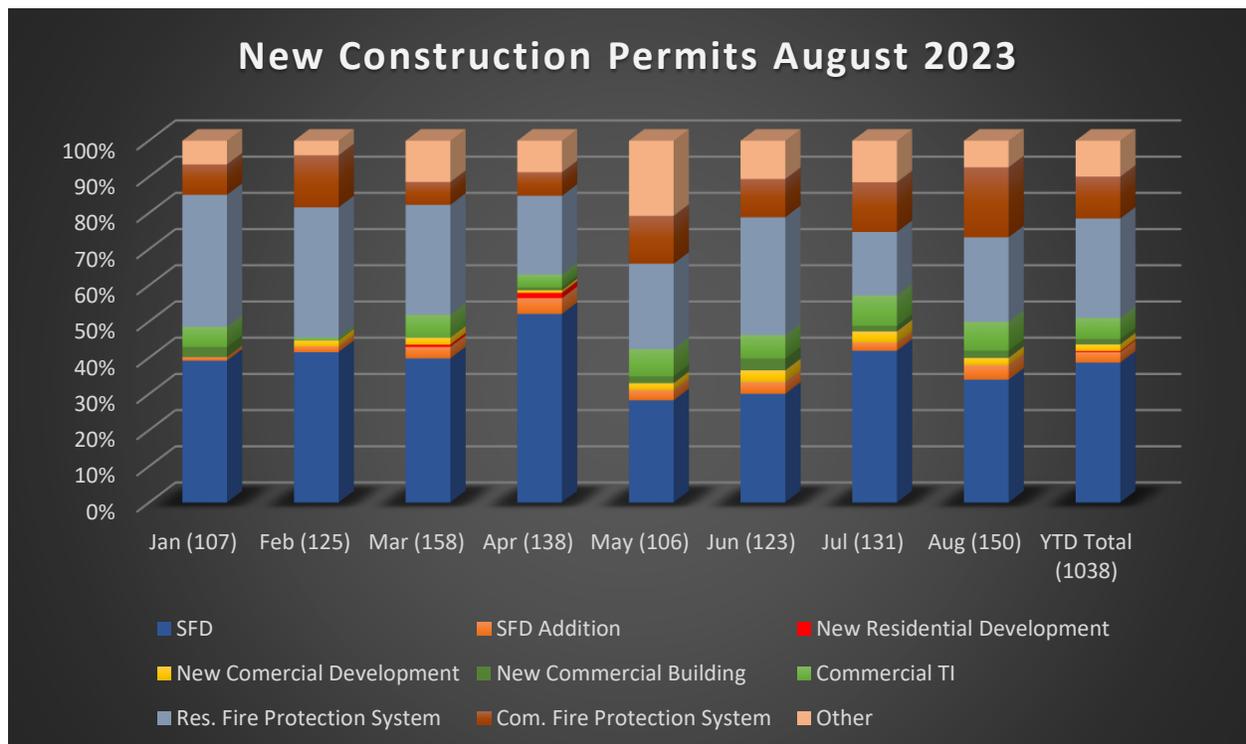


Table 1: New Construction Permits by Month Report

Fire & Life Safety Inspections August 2023

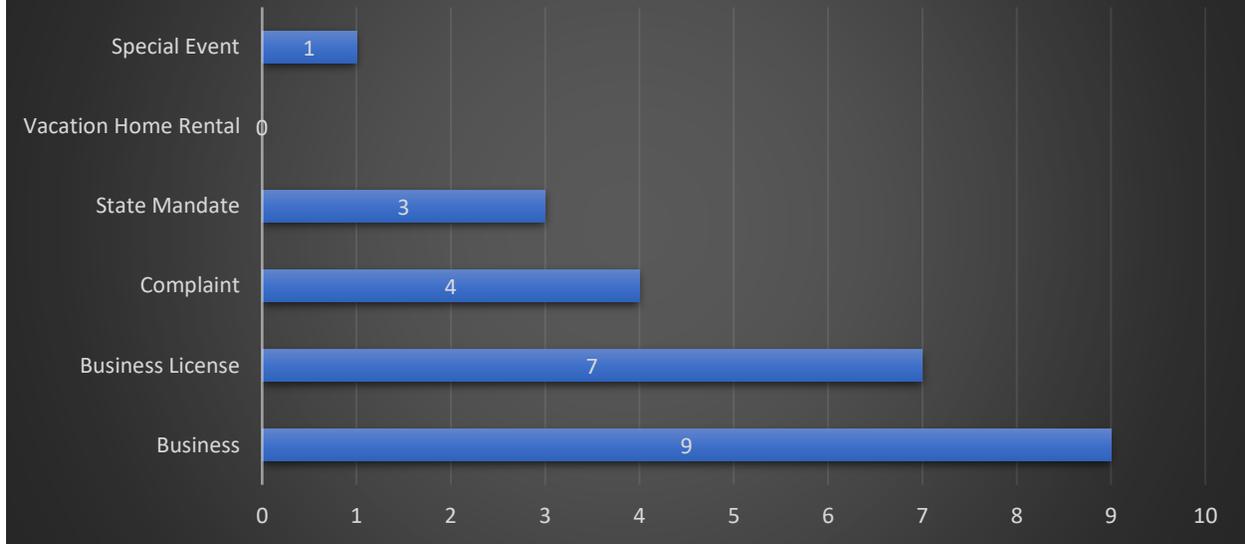


Table 2: Fire and Life Safety Inspections by Month Report

End of Report



EL DORADO HILLS FIRE DEPARTMENT



**FINAL BUDGET
2023/2024**

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El Dorado Hills Fire Department

2023/24 Final Budget

INTRODUCTION

Presented herein is the recommended El Dorado Hills County Water District Final Budget for fiscal year 2023/2024. Per statutory requirement, the Final Budget must be adopted by September 30, 2023.

BACKGROUND

The Final Budget was developed with the participation and input from the Director of Finance, Accounting Specialist/Board Clerk, Executive Staff, Program Managers and the Board Finance Committee. The funding philosophy for this budget is consistent with prior years in that a portion of the various fund balances is identified to fund a portion of the expenditures. This meets the objective of keeping the District on a progressive track while providing for continuous growth and efficiencies.

SUMMARY

The budget is currently broken down into four separate funds: Unassigned General Reserve Fund, Capital Replacement Fund, Development Fee Fund (restricted) and Pension Reserve Fund (restricted). Below is a summary of each fund:

Unassigned General Reserve Fund

The unassigned general reserve Fund provides for all ongoing expenditures to maintain the District's continuing operations. These expenditures include personnel costs, supplies, services, governmental fees, and other miscellaneous operating costs. Generally, this portion of the budget includes those operating expenditures that are recurring and routine in nature. To maintain a strong fiscal balance, the general operating expenditures are funded from recurring operating revenues.

The District reserve policy establishes guidelines for maintaining a minimum balance in the unassigned portion of the general reserve fund, referred to as the "Operating Reserve Fund," equivalent to at least one half of the current year budgeted operating expenditures. The budgeted ending unassigned general reserve fund balance for 2023/24 exceeds this goal.

Capital Replacement Fund

The capital replacement fund is the portion of the general fund committed by the Board of Directors to reinvest in the infrastructure of the District. Generally, these investments are in the replacement or necessary improvement of fleet, facilities and equipment that exceeds routine maintenance. All District capital expenditures that are not qualified to be funded with development impact fees are budgeted in the capital replacement fund for fiscal year 2023/24.

The District reserve policy requires an annual contribution to the capital replacement fund, ensuring the fund balance remains sufficient to repair, restore or replace the District's capital assets upon retirement or disposal. The policy also provides for an additional transfer into the capital replacement fund if there is an identified shortfall in the fund and there is a budgeted excess of revenues over expenditures.

There is a budgeted transfer of \$1,950,510 from the general reserve fund to the Capital Replacement fund in 2023/24. This amount includes the calculated annual contribution of about

\$1.47 million per the latest capital replacement schedule, plus an additional transfer of \$480,510 representing capital grants revenue that will be used to fund specific budgeted capital expenditures.

Development Fee Fund

The development fee fund is used to account for all restricted development impact fee revenue and qualifying expenditures. Fund expenditures are restricted to capital investments directly resulting from growth in the District. The District's current development impact fee schedule is based on a nexus study that was approved by the Board of Directors in December 2017 and by the County Board of Supervisors in March 2018. Planned qualifying expenditures are identified in this study.

Reserve Fund Balances

The District continues to closely monitor and control expenditures in an effort to preserve its reserve balances and avoid future debt financing. The final budget reflects an overall increase of \$1,295,858 in total reserve balances for fiscal year 2023/24.

The unassigned general reserve fund balance is projected to decrease by \$424,691 after all budgeted transfers out of the fund. This decrease is due to the timing of planned contributions into the District's pension and OPEB section 115 trust accounts that are carried forward from the approved 2022/23 Mid-Year Budget.

There is a budgeted increase of \$1,057,424 in the capital replacement fund balance, as planned expenditures from this fund for the fiscal year are less than the budgeted transfer in from the unassigned general reserve fund.

There is a budgeted increase in the development fee reserve fund of \$163,125, as development impact fee revenue for the fiscal year is expected to exceed qualifying expenditures. The District's unassigned general reserve fund is "owed" approximately \$1,098,333 from its development fee fund as of June 30, 2023 for qualifying expenditures made in 2022/23. Reimbursement to the unassigned general reserve fund is anticipated in fiscal year 2023/24.

Appropriation (GANN) Limit

Article XIII B of the California Constitution requires state and local governments to establish an appropriation, or "Gann" limit each fiscal year. This limit is the ceiling above which tax dollar spending cannot exceed for the fiscal year. Base year revenues are increased annually by a factor that combines a population growth rate and the increase in the California per capita personal income. Special Districts may choose to use the population growth rate of the District or the County population growth in unincorporated areas.

For fiscal year 2023-24, the District calculated the appropriation limit by combining the California per capital personal income increase of 4.44% (provided by the California Department of Finance) with the population growth in the District of 0.76% (also provided by the California Department of Finance). The calculated ratio by combining these two factors is 1.0523 (1.0444 x 1.0076). Applying this ratio to the 2022-23 limit of \$55,580,012 results in a calculated 2023-24 appropriation limit of \$58,488,927. Budgeted appropriations for fiscal year 2023-24 are well below this limit.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board of Directors review, discuss, and approve the 2023-2024 Final Budget.



BUDGET SUMMARY
ALL FUNDS

El Dorado Hills Fire Department
Final Budget Summary - All Funds
Fiscal Year 2023/24



	General Reserve Fund (Unassigned)	Capital Replacement Fund (Committed)	Development Fee Fund (Restricted)	Pension Reserve Fund (Restricted)	Total All Funds
Revenue					
Property Tax Revenue	25,203,779	-	-	-	25,203,779
Other Miscellaneous Operating Revenue	3,620,690	-	-	-	3,620,690
Development Fee Revenue	-	-	1,100,000	-	1,100,000
Proceeds from Sale of Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Total Revenue	\$ 28,824,469	\$ -	\$ 1,100,000	\$ -	\$ 29,924,469
Expenditures					
Wages & Benefits	22,758,397	-	-	-	22,758,397
Other Operating Expenditures	3,573,088	-	-	-	3,573,088
OPEB UAL Lump Sum Pmt	451,865	-	-	-	451,865
Capital Outlay	-	893,086	936,875	-	1,829,961
Total Expenditures	\$ 26,783,350	\$ 893,086	\$ 936,875	\$ -	\$ 28,613,311
Revenue Less Expenditures	\$ 2,041,119	\$ (893,086)	\$ 163,125	\$ -	\$ 1,311,158
Reserve Fund Transfer Summary:					
Beginning Balance, 6/30/2023 (FORECAST)	\$ 17,258,632	\$ 5,036,292	\$ 2,874,187	\$ 6,539,051	\$ 31,708,162
Transfer to/(from) General Reserve Fund (Unassigned)	2,041,119	1,950,510	-	500,000	4,491,629
Transfer to/(from) Capital Replacement Fund (Committed)	(1,950,510)	(893,086)	-	-	(2,843,596)
Transfer to/(from) Pension Reserve Fund	(500,000)	-	-	-	(500,000)
Transfer to/(from) Development Fee Fund (Restricted)	-	-	163,125	-	163,125
Total Increase/(Decrease) in Reserve Balances	(409,391)	1,057,424	163,125	500,000	1,311,158
Ending Balance, 6/30/2024 (PROJECTED)	\$ 16,849,241	\$ 6,093,716	\$ 3,037,312	\$ 7,039,051	\$ 33,019,320

El Dorado Hills Fire Department
2023/24 Final Budget
Capital Assets



PROGRAM NAME	ASSET DESCRIPTION	BUDGET		
		Capital Replacement Fund	Development Fee Fund	Total
Training Facility	Training Facility CIP	-	500,000	500,000
Training Facility Equipment	Forklift for Training Facility	-	80,000	80,000
Facilities	Station 91 Bathroom Addition	-	60,000	60,000
Facilities	Station 85 Administrative Office Capacity Expansion	113,000	127,000	240,000
Facilities	Station 85 Main Conference Room AV Equipment Replacement	100,000	-	100,000
Apparatus (Replacement)	CRRD Vehicle (1)	55,125	19,875	75,000
Apparatus (New)	CRRD Vehicles (2)	-	150,000	150,000
Water Rescue	Lake Boat (TOT Grant Funded)	203,875	-	203,875
Radios	Radio Replacements (AFG Grant Funded)	179,376	-	179,376
Information Technology	Server Replacement	5,000	-	5,000
Station Equipment	SCBA AirPak, Swift Water Raft, Technical Rescue Equipment, Trench Rescue Equipment, Fitness Equipment	49,776	-	49,776
Apparatus Equipment	Holmatro Battery Powered Tools, Rescue Unit Swift Water Equipment, Rescue Unit Light Stand	111,339	-	111,339
Fuel Pump System	Replacement Electronic Tracking of Fuel Dispensed	75,595	-	75,595
TOTAL		\$ 893,086	\$ 936,875	\$ 1,829,961



El Dorado Hills Fire Department

2023/24 Final Budget

Summary of Significant Assumptions

and Changes from Prior Year

PROPERTY TAX REVENUE

- **Secured, Unsecured, and Homeowners Exemption Property Tax Revenue** are budgeted based on estimates provided by El Dorado County. There is an overall budgeted increase of about 6% from prior year actual revenue in these categories, which is slightly less than the increase in District assessed value of 6.4% from prior year.
- **Supplemental Tax Revenue** decreased by about 19% from prior year budget and is based on historical collection trends in this category.
- **Property Tax Administration Fee** is a direct offset to property tax revenue and represents the fee charged by El Dorado County for the collection services it provides on behalf of the District. This fee is budgeted based on the estimate provided by the County and is a 15% increase from the prior year actual fee.

OTHER REVENUE

- **CRRD Cost Recovery Fees** are collected by the Community Risk Reduction Division to help offset the cost of services provided within the District and are budgeted based on the current fee schedule. Also budgeted in this category is a defensible space inspection contract with El Dorado County for \$200,000.
- **Hosted Training Revenue** is estimated at \$280,000 for fiscal year 2023/24 based on the planned hosted training course lineup. This revenue is offset by budgeted hosted training expenditures as well as administrative costs.
- **JPA Revenue** is budgeted to increase by roughly 6% based on an increase in the maximum reimbursement allowable per the fixed rate contract with the JPA.
- **Capital Grants Revenue** reflects three anticipated grants in 2023/24 which will fund replacement radios, a new lake boat, and a portion of the planned administrative office remodel at Station 85.
- **OES/Mutual Aid Revenue** is estimated to decrease significantly from prior year based on the expectation that 2023 will be a light fire season. This revenue is mostly offset by OES overtime costs.
- **Interest Earned** is based on current trends in interest rates and earnings.
- **Miscellaneous Operating Revenue** includes workers' compensation reimbursements and dividends, Department purchasing card quarterly rewards, and other miscellaneous revenue. Revenue of \$150,000 for an anticipated contract with El Dorado County for OES management services is also included in the 2023/24 budget for this category, which represents the increase from prior year budget. The new contract is expected to begin in October 2023.

WAGES & BENEFITS

- **Salaries & Wages** for all personnel reflect anticipated step increases as well as a 5% cost of living increase effective July 2023, consistent with the negotiated MOU and unrepresented wages and benefits resolution.
- **Safety (Fire) Salaries & Wages** reflect no changes in headcount from the prior year budget. The 2023/24 final budget reflects funding three (3) of the four (4) approved "floater" Firefighter/Paramedic positions based on current actual headcount. The budget also reflects

several temporary appointments to accommodate the anticipated OES management contract with El Dorado County.

- **CRRD Salaries & Wages** reflect the addition of one (1) Fire Prevention Inspector I, as well as the anticipated reclassification of one (1) Fire Prevention Inspector I to a Fire Prevention Inspector II and the reclassification of a Defensible Space Inspector Trainee to a Defensible Space Inspector Lead.
- **Administrative Salaries & Wages** reflect the addition of one (1) Training Program Coordinator.
- **Overtime** increased from prior year due to the planned utilization of a floater Firefighter to backfill for the OES Deputy Chief, as well as an increase in wage and incentive pay rates. The budgeted increase in operational overtime is partially offset by a decrease in estimated OES overtime.
- **PERS Retirement** costs increased from prior year due an increase in budgeted pensionable wages as well as increases in the normal cost rates effective July 2023.
- **Workers' Compensation** costs increased from prior year due to projected increases in the District's experience modification ratio as well as budgeted increases in covered payroll.
- **Health Benefits** for active employees increased due to increases in average CalPERS health plan premium rates (under the District contribution cap), as well as the addition of one (1) Fire Prevention Inspector I and one (1) Training Program Coordinator. Health benefit costs for retirees increased mostly due to the addition of one (1) retiree as well as an increase in average premium rates (under the District contribution cap).

SERVICE & SUPPLIES

- **Insurance** costs are budgeted based on the District's current property and general liability policy through April 2024. A 15% increase is budgeted for the subsequent policy year, as this is the maximum increase the carrier can impose. The significant rise from the previous year reflects a change in carriers as well as the update of property replacement values.
- **Maintenance of Equipment** is budgeted to increase mostly due to the anticipated one-time purchase of ten (10) SCBA cylinders for the training facility. There is also a budgeted increase in fuel pump maintenance costs from the previous year.
- **Maintenance, Structures & Ground** increased mostly as a result of budgeted furniture for the Station 85 administrative office remodel, as well as the replacement of furniture in the Station 85 main conference room. A placeholder for training facility operating costs is also included in the 2023/24 budget for this category.
- **Legal Fees** increased slightly from the previous year based on current legal consulting utilization trends.
- **Human Resources** costs are expected to decrease slightly due to the timing of consulting for promotional exams.
- **Other Professional Services** increased due to the addition of several large consulting projects, including an ambulance deployment study and a CFD study (carried forward from prior year).
- **Software Subscriptions** increased from the previous year budget due to the addition of several software products, including but not limited to narcotics tracking software, Fire Studio 7, project management software, and a purchase order system. There were also cost increases in several existing software subscriptions.
- **IT Support/Implementation** costs increased due to a planned website redesign as well as a placeholder for special IT projects.

- **Station Small Tools and Supplies** decreased due to the removal of one-time purchases from the previous year, including tools for the Fire Equipment Mechanic.
- **Non-Hosted Training** increased from the prior year mostly due to the addition of Command and Control training for succession planning and Mission Driven Culture (MDC) training.
- **EDC Hosted Training** costs represent the cost of training instructors and other materials/certifications needed to host training courses at the Employee Development Center (EDC). The budget for this category assumes roughly a 30% margin on registration fees collected, which helps cover administrative costs of the program.
- **Fire Prevention** costs increased from the prior year budget mostly due to added costs for electronic pre-fire plan review services, as well as budgeted knox key secure boxes for vehicles, fire prevention educational videos, fire safety trailer maintenance, and an increase in education and prevention month materials.
- **Directors' Training & Travel** represents the budgeted cost of registration fees and travel costs associated with board member training/educational conferences.
- **Fuel and Oil** costs are anticipated to increase next fiscal year due to rising fuel prices.

PENSION/OPEB UAL DISCRETIONARY LUMP SUM PAYMENTS

- There are budgeted discretionary lump sum transfers to the District's Pension and OPEB Section 115 trust accounts in the amount of \$500,000 and \$451,865, respectively. These transfers are carried over from the 2022/23 Mid-Year Budget due to timing. No additional Pension or OPEB discretionary lump sum payments are budgeted for fiscal year 2023/24.

CAPITAL ASSETS

- Capital Assets budgeted in fiscal year 2023/24 include the following: completion of Phase 1 of the Training Facility, a forklift, the addition of a bathroom at Station 91, the expansion/remodel of the Station 85 administrative office (partially grant funded), the replacement of AV equipment in the Station 85 main conference room, one (1) replacement vehicle for CRRD, two (2) new CRRD vehicles, a lake boat (grant funded), radio replacements (grant funded), a server replacement, an SCBA AirPak, a swift water raft for Engine 91, technical and trench rescue equipment, fitness equipment, battery powered rescue tools, swift water equipment and a light stand for the Rescue unit, and the replacement of the fuel dispenser tracking system.



POSITIONS AND AUTHORIZATION DOCUMENT (PAD)

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SUMMARY				
Full-time Positions				
	Authorized Positions	Actual Filled Positions	Funded Positions (Final Budget)	Proposed Changes
Office of the Fire Chief	10.5	9.5	12.5	2
Operations Branch	65	64	65	0
Administration Branch	5.5	5.5	5.5	0
Total	81	79	83	2



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OFFICE OF THE FIRE CHIEF				
Position	Authorized Positions 2022/23 Mid-Year Budget	Current Filled Positions	Authorized Positions 2023/24 Final Budget	Proposed Change from Prior Year Budget
Fire Chief	1	1	1	
Administrative Assistant II	0.5	0.5	0.5	
HOSTED TRAINING				
Training Coordinator	0	0	1	1
COMMUNITY RISK REDUCTION				
Fire Marshal	1	1	1	
Fire Prevention Specialist	2	2	2	
Fire Prevention Inspector I	1	1	1	0
Fire Prevention Inspector II	0	0	1	1
Community Risk Reduction Technician	1	1	1	
Defensible Space Inspector Lead (Part-Time, Limited Term)	2	2	3	1
Defensible Space Inspector Trainee (Part-Time, Limited Term)	2	1	1	-1
	10.5	9.5	12.5	2



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OPERATIONS BRANCH				
Position	Authorized Positions 2022/23 Mid-Year Budget	Current Filled Positions	Authorized Positions 2023/24 Final Budget	Proposed Change from Prior Year Budget
Deputy Chief, Operations	1	1	1	
Administrative Assistant II, Operations Branch	1	1	1	
Fire Equipment Mechanic	1	1	1	
FIRE SUPPRESSION				
Battalion Chiefs	3	3	3	
Fire Captains	15	15	15	
Fire Engineers	15	15	15	
Firefighters	28	27	28	
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS)				
Day Staff Captain, EMS	0.5	0.5	0.5	
TRAINING/SAFETY				
Day Staff Captain, Training	0.5	0.5	0.5	
	65	64	65	0



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ADMIN/SUPPORT SERVICES BRANCH				
Position	Authorized Positions 2022/23 Mid-Year Budget	Current Filled Positions	Authorized Positions 2023/24 Final Budget	Proposed Change from Prior Year Budget
Deputy Chief, Administration	1	1	1	
Administrative Assistant II	0.5	0.5	0.5	
HUMAN RESOURCES				
Director of Human Resources	1	1	1	
Human Resources Specialist	1	1	1	
FINANCE				
Director of Finance	1	1	1	
Accounting Specialist/Board Clerk	1	1	1	
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT)				
IT Network Specialist	0	0	0	
	5.5	5.5	5.5	0



**BUDGET DETAIL
ALL FUNDS**

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	Full Year Budget FY23/24	Mid-Year Budget FY22/23	Variance	Variance %
Revenue				
3240 · Tax Revenue				
3260 · Secured Tax Revenue	\$ 24,016,044	\$ 22,548,795	\$ 1,467,249	7%
3270 · Unsecured Tax Revenue	467,436	432,189	35,247	8%
3280 · Homeowners Tax Revenue	153,186	153,640	(454)	0%
3320 · Supplemental Tax Revenue	800,000	983,571	(183,571)	-19%
3330 · Sacramento County Revenue	53,917	49,218	4,699	10%
3335 · Latrobe Revenue				N/A
3335.2 · Latrobe Special Tax	35,000	34,933	67	0%
3335.3 · Latrobe Base Transfer	105,581	91,000	14,581	16%
3340 · Property Tax Administration Fee	(427,385)	(371,639)	(55,746)	15%
Total 3240 · Tax Revenue	25,203,779	23,921,706	1,282,073	5%
3500 · Misc. Operating Revenue				
3506 · CRRD Cost Recovery Fees	580,000	714,958	(134,958)	-19%
3507 · Hosted Training Revenue	280,000	250,840	29,160	12%
3508 · Mechanic Cost Recovery Fees	6,000	6,108	(108)	-2%
3512 · JPA Revenue	1,300,000	1,224,459	75,541	6%
3513 · Rental Income (Cell site)	54,180	54,180	-	0%
3514.1 · Operating Grants Revenue	-	-	-	N/A
3514.2 · Capital Grants Revenue	480,510	-	480,510	N/A
3515 · OES/Mutual Aid Reimbursement	300,000	829,000	(529,000)	-64%
3520 · Interest Earned	310,000	269,889	40,111	15%
3500 · Misc. Operating Revenue - Other	310,000	151,292	158,708	105%
Total 3500 · Misc. Operating Revenue	3,620,690	3,500,725	119,965	3%
Total Unrestricted Operating Revenue	\$ 28,824,469	\$ 27,422,432	\$ 1,402,037	5%
3550 · Development Fees (Restricted)	1,100,000	1,197,965	(97,965)	-8%
Total Revenue	\$ 29,924,469	\$ 28,620,396	\$ 1,304,073	5%

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	Full Year Budget FY23/24	Mid-Year Budget FY22/23	Variance	Variance %
Operating Expenditures				
6000 · Wages & Benefits				
6001 · Salaries & Wages, Fire	8,609,944	7,937,556	672,389	8%
6011 · Education/Longevity Pay	671,100	503,575	167,525	33%
6015 · Salaries & Wages, CRRD	891,656	764,982	126,674	17%
6016 · Salaries & Wages, Administration	959,049	756,662	202,387	27%
6019 · Overtime				
6019.1 · Overtime, Operational	2,500,923	2,098,378	402,545	19%
6019.2 · Overtime, Outside Aid	247,934	583,952	(336,018)	-58%
Total 6019 · Overtime	2,748,857	2,682,330	66,527	2%
6020 · P.E.R.S. Retirement	1,844,077	1,810,375	33,702	2%
6020.1 · P.E.R.S. Retirement EE Contribution	2,154,296	1,890,000	264,296	14%
6030 · Workers Compensation	1,102,222	862,567	239,656	28%
6031 · Life Insurance	7,469	5,626	1,843	33%
6032 · P.E.R.S. Health Benefits	2,062,568	1,895,373	167,194	9%
6033 · Disability Insurance	22,656	21,682	974	4%
6034 · Health Cost of Retirees	1,212,965	1,174,532	38,432	3%
6040 · Dental/Vision Expense	257,460	257,336	124	0%
6050 · Unemployment Insurance	14,875	13,291	1,584	12%
6070 · Medicare	199,204	187,552	11,652	6%
Total 6000 · Wages & Benefits	22,758,397	20,763,438	1,994,959	10%
Salaries & Wages as a % of Operating Revenue	76%	73%		
6100 · Clothing & Personal Supplies				
6101 · Uniform Allowance	57,602	52,786	4,816	9%
6102 · Other Clothing & Personal Supplies	74,048	68,477	5,571	8%
Total 6100 Clothing & Personal Supplies	131,650	121,263	10,387	9%
6110 · Network/Communications				
6111 · Telecommunications	70,028	60,764	9,264	15%
6112 · Dispatch Services	80,000	78,191	1,809	2%

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	Full Year Budget FY23/24	Mid-Year Budget FY22/23	Variance	Variance %
6113 · Network/Connectivity	63,075	66,055	(2,981)	-5%
Total 6110 · Network/Communications	213,103	205,010	8,092	4%
6120 · Housekeeping	84,480	79,253	5,228	7%
6130 · Insurance				
6131 · General Insurance	276,247	164,435	111,811	68%
Total 6130 · Insurance	276,247	164,435	111,811	68%
6140 · Maintenance of Equipment				
6141 · Tires	48,000	51,129	(3,129)	-6%
6142 · Parts & Supplies	110,000	107,715	2,285	2%
6143 · Outside Work	20,000	23,310	(3,310)	-14%
6144 · Equipment Maintenance	65,064	26,005	39,060	150%
6145 · Radio Maintenance	48,425	31,630	16,795	53%
Total 6140 · Maintenance of Equipment	291,489	239,788	51,701	22%
6150 · Maintenance, Structures & Ground	288,944	224,823	64,121	29%
6160 · Medical Supplies				
6161 · Medical Supplies	60,000	55,198	4,802	9%
Total 6160 · Medical Supplies	60,000	55,198	4,802	9%
6170 · Dues and Subscriptions	21,089	16,629	4,461	27%
6180 · Miscellaneous				
6017 · Intern/Volunteer Stipends	3,000	1,300	1,700	131%
6018 · Director Pay	13,000	12,200	800	7%
6181 · Miscellaneous	14,500	10,184	4,316	42%
6182 · Honor Guard	2,093	2,985	(892)	-30%
6183 · Explorer Program	3,375	6,878	(3,503)	-51%
6184 · Pipes and Drums	3,000	-	3,000	N/A
Total 6180 · Miscellaneous	38,968	33,547	5,421	16%
6190 · Office Supplies	45,580	42,161	3,419	8%

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	Full Year Budget FY23/24	Mid-Year Budget FY22/23	Variance	Variance %
6200 · Professional Services				
6201 · Audit	16,900	15,900	1,000	6%
6202.1 · Legal Fees	174,400	151,068	23,332	15%
6202.2 · Human Resources	78,900	93,582	(14,682)	-16%
6203 · Notices	1,200	1,110	91	8%
6204 · Other Professional Services	191,938	112,147	79,790	71%
6205 · Elections/Tax Administration	-	30	(30)	-100%
6206 · Public Relations	19,250	16,799	2,451	15%
Total 6200 · Professional Services	482,588	390,636	91,952	24%
6210 · Information Technology				
6211 · Software Licenses/Subscriptions	232,811	203,227	29,584	15%
6212 · IT Support/Implementation	195,395	172,722	22,672	13%
6213 · IT Equipment	81,850	85,612	(3,762)	-4%
Total 6210 · Information Technology	510,056	461,562	48,494	11%
6220 · Rents and Leases				
6221 · Facilities/Equipment Lease	63,316	61,164	2,152	4%
6222 · Solar Lease	-	-	-	N/A
Total 6220 · Rents and Leases	63,316	61,164	2,152	4%
6231 · Hose	11,908	15,980	(4,072)	-25%
6232 · Small Tools & Equipment - Apparatus	33,708	25,312	8,396	33%
6233 · Small Tools & Equipment - Station	44,079	85,304	(41,225)	-48%
6230 · Small Tools and Supplies	89,695	126,596	(36,901)	-29%
6240 · Special Expenses				
6241 · Non-Hosted Training	232,713	123,578	109,135	88%
6241.1 · EDC Hosted Training	196,000	196,581	(581)	0%
6242 · Fire Prevention	152,170	74,821	77,349	103%
6244 · Directors' Training & Travel	10,000	-	10,000	N/A
Total 6240 · Special Expenses	590,883	394,980	195,903	50%

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	Full Year Budget FY23/24	Mid-Year Budget FY22/23	Variance	Variance %
6250 · Transportation and Travel				
6251 · Fuel and Oil	150,000	127,931	22,069	17%
6252 · Travel	42,000	33,299	8,701	26%
6253 · Meals & Refreshments	35,000	28,511	6,489	23%
Total 6250 · Transportation and Travel	227,000	189,741	37,259	20%
6260 · Utilities				
6261 · Electricity	70,000	71,665	(1,665)	-2%
6262 · Natural Gas/Propane	58,000	56,448	1,552	3%
6263 · Water/Sewer	30,000	19,732	10,268	52%
Total 6260 · Utilities	158,000	147,845	10,155	7%
Total Operating Expenditures	\$ 26,331,485	\$ 23,718,069	\$ 2,613,416	11.0%
Total Operating Expenditures excluding W&B	\$ 3,573,088	\$ 2,954,631	\$ 618,457	20.9%
Unrestricted Operating Revenue - Operating Expenditures	\$ 2,492,984	\$ 3,704,363	\$ (1,211,379)	-32.7%
6570 · OPEB UAL Additional Lump Sum Pmt	451,865	451,865	-	0%
6720 · Capital Outlay	1,829,961	11,242,624	(9,412,663)	-84%
Total Expenditures	\$ 28,613,311	\$ 35,412,558	\$ (6,799,247)	-19.2%
Total Revenue - Total Expenditures	\$ 1,311,158	\$ (6,792,162)	\$ 8,103,320	-119%
Transfer to Pension Reserve Fund	\$ (500,000)	\$ (500,000)	\$ -	0%
Transfer to Development Fee Fund	(1,100,000)	(1,197,965)	97,965	-8%
Transfer from Development Fee Fund	936,875	8,492,574	(7,555,699)	-89%
Transfer to/from Unassigned Fund	409,391	-	409,391	N/A
Transfer from Capital Replacement Fund	893,086	2,750,051	(1,856,964)	-68%
Transfer to Capital Replacement Fund	(1,950,510)	(2,752,497)	801,987	-29%
Total Revenue - Total Expenditures Net of Fund Transfers	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	



HISTORICAL TREND ANALYSIS
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	Actual FY17/18	Actual FY18/19	Actual FY19/20	Actual FY20/21	Actual FY21/22	Forecast FY22/23	Final Budget FY23/24	Variance 22/23 Budget vs. 23/24 Budget	Variance %
Revenue									
3240 · Tax Revenue									
3260 · Secured Tax Revenue	16,254,990	17,700,565	18,474,778	19,619,347	20,685,811	22,657,992	24,016,044	1,358,052	6%
3270 · Unsecured Tax Revenue	278,713	306,727	335,532	360,463	356,435	430,480	467,436	36,956	9%
3280 · Homeowners Tax Revenue	152,399	157,876	157,520	156,296	157,058	157,249	153,186	(4,063)	-3%
3320 · Supplemental Tax Revenue	384,609	174,526	547,056	497,969	637,790	1,043,397	800,000	(243,397)	-23%
3330 · Sacramento County Revenue	16,663	17,096	29,545	30,254	30,883	50,674	53,917	3,243	6%
3335 · Latrobe Revenue								-	N/A
3335.2 · Latrobe Special Tax	35,742	35,907	35,884	35,502	35,037	35,403	35,000	(403)	-1%
3335.3 · Latrobe Base Transfer	500,000	-	160,295	86,642	90,945	99,219	105,581	6,362	6%
3340 · Property Tax Administration Fee	(307,782)	(346,739)	(377,298)	(387,314)	(363,175)	(371,639)	(427,385)	(55,746)	15%
Total 3240 · Tax Revenue	17,315,334	18,045,958	19,363,312	20,399,158	21,630,783	24,102,774	25,203,779	1,101,005	5%
3500 · Misc. Operating Revenue									
3506 · CRRD Cost Recovery Fees	99,714	126,904	197,017	230,325	516,147	567,451	580,000	12,549	2%
3507 · Hosted Training Revenue	-	-	-	3,637	94,428	219,953	280,000	60,047	27%
3508 · Mechanic Cost Recovery Fees	-	-	-	-	-	6,108	6,000	(108)	-2%
3512 · JPA Revenue	1,162,437	1,150,000	1,150,000	1,150,000	1,150,000	1,250,688	1,300,000	49,312	4%
3513 · Rental Income (Cell site)	25,200	26,155	49,980	54,180	47,826	54,180	54,180	-	0%
3514.1 · Operating Grants Revenue	-	-	-	44,379	-	-	-	-	N/A
3514.2 · Capital Grants Revenue	-	-	-	225,565	-	-	480,510	480,510	N/A
3515 · OES/Mutual Aid Reimbursement	524,276	666,922	211,426	1,677,353	1,194,181	829,008	300,000	(529,008)	-64%
3520 · Interest Earned	225,426	385,619	339,109	82,667	62,752	308,418	310,000	1,582	1%
3510 · Misc. Operating Revenue - Other	50,040	17,868	179,308	212,539	266,912	163,647	310,000	146,353	89%
Total 3510 · Misc. Operating Revenue	2,087,093	2,373,469	2,126,839	3,680,646	3,332,245	3,399,453	3,620,690	221,237	7%
Total Unrestricted Operating Revenue	\$ 19,402,427	\$ 20,419,427	\$ 21,490,152	\$ 24,079,804	\$ 24,963,027	\$ 27,502,227	\$ 28,824,469	\$ 1,322,242	5%
3550 · Development Fee Revenue (Restricted)	2,307,138	1,392,661	1,504,149	1,144,426	1,094,124	1,442,364	1,100,000	(342,364)	-24%
3570 · Proceeds from Insurance/Sale of Assets	834,361	1,649	-	12,565	3,003	-	-	-	N/A
3590 · Gain/Loss on Investments	-	185,603	231,066	349,621	(875,947)	185,521	-	(185,521)	-100%
Total Revenue	\$ 22,543,926	\$ 21,999,340	\$ 23,225,367	\$ 25,586,416	\$ 25,184,207	\$ 29,130,112	\$ 29,924,469	\$ 794,356	3%

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Historical Trend Analysis

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	Actual FY17/18	Actual FY18/19	Actual FY19/20	Actual FY20/21	Actual FY21/22	Forecast FY22/23	Final Budget FY23/24	Variance 22/23 Budget vs. 23/24 Budget	Variance %
Operating Expenditures									
6000 · Salaries & Wages									
6001 · Salaries & Wages, Fire	5,937,072	6,396,335	6,772,687	6,980,114	7,370,039	7,930,141	8,609,944	679,804	9%
6011 · Education/Longevity Pay	446,642	449,258	524,606	485,261	484,939	506,766	671,100	164,334	32%
6015 · Salaries & Wages, CRRD					575,082	768,373	891,656	123,283	16%
6016 · Salaries & Wages, Administration	607,440	636,224	845,731	976,355	591,789	765,160	959,049	193,888	25%
6019 · Overtime								-	
6019.1 · Overtime, Operational	2,235,563	1,675,396	1,645,157	1,967,302	1,944,777	2,116,844	2,500,923	384,079	18%
6019.2 · Overtime, Outside Aid	485,075	536,831	169,910	1,256,886	874,428	583,625	247,934	(335,691)	-58%
Total 6019 · Overtime	2,720,639	2,212,227	1,815,067	3,224,188	2,819,205	2,700,469	2,748,857	48,388	2%
6020 · P.E.R.S. Retirement	1,615,850	1,332,561	1,360,855	1,485,269	1,492,017	1,766,581	1,844,077	77,496	4%
6020.1 · P.E.R.S. Retirement EE Contribution	600,643	1,211,740	1,443,588	1,599,799	1,799,862	1,916,282	2,154,296	238,014	12%
6022 · Deferred Comp Contributions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
6030 · Workers Compensation	667,861	571,736	529,286	586,372	656,510	862,567	1,102,222	239,656	28%
6031 · Life Insurance	5,609	6,498	5,578	6,171	5,626	5,626	7,469	1,843	33%
6032 · P.E.R.S. Health Benefits	1,417,119	1,562,904	1,717,501	1,712,822	1,755,104	1,897,002	2,062,568	165,566	9%
6033 · Disability Insurance	16,663	17,655	20,087	20,459	20,483	21,682	22,656	974	4%
6034 · Health Cost of Retirees	890,325	917,124	1,017,446	1,102,022	1,156,391	1,174,862	1,212,965	38,102	3%
6040 · Dental/Vision Expense	145,843	136,985	131,866	183,598	232,544	251,546	257,460	5,914	2%
6050 · Unemployment Insurance	14,553	11,742	9,741	11,726	12,766	13,316	14,875	1,559	12%
6070 · Medicare	136,363	137,374	146,810	170,163	176,662	189,250	199,204	9,954	5%
Total 6000 · Salaries & Wages	15,222,621	15,600,362	16,340,848	18,544,319	19,149,020	20,769,622	22,758,397	1,988,775	10%
Salaries & Wages as a % of Operating Revenue	78%	76%	76%	77%	77%	76%	79%		
6100 · Clothing & Personal Supplies									
6101 · Uniform Allowance	49,437	51,970	49,554	47,931	50,088	52,874	57,602	4,728	9%
6102 · Other Clothing & Personal Supplies	52,653	44,073	210,532	26,540	73,143	60,941	74,048	13,107	22%
Total 6100 Clothing & Personal Supplies	102,090	96,044	260,086	74,470	123,231	113,814	131,650	17,836	16%
6110 · Network/Communications									
6111 · Telecommunications	49,385	43,449	36,255	42,439	42,535	60,300	70,028	9,729	16%

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	Actual FY17/18	Actual FY18/19	Actual FY19/20	Actual FY20/21	Actual FY21/22	Forecast FY22/23	Final Budget FY23/24	Variance 22/23 Budget vs. 23/24 Budget	Variance %
6112 · Dispatch Services	56,115	57,694	63,214	71,145	63,069	72,900	80,000	7,100	10%
6113 · Network/Connectivity	39,919	40,493	37,068	51,222	54,422	64,033	63,075	(959)	-1%
Total 6110 · Communications	145,418	141,636	136,537	164,807	160,027	197,233	213,103	15,870	8%
6120 · Housekeeping	36,335	37,606	52,034	52,998	61,137	75,830	84,480	8,650	11%
6130 · Insurance									
6131 · General Insurance	33,167	56,013	59,403	65,761	85,514	164,435	276,247	111,811	68%
Total 6130 · Insurance	33,167	56,013	59,403	65,761	85,514	164,435	276,247	111,811	68%
6140 · Maintenance of Equipment									
6141 · Tires	38,029	15,029	19,157	32,944	23,834	47,791	48,000	209	0%
6142 · Parts & Supplies	23,622	31,248	33,259	38,672	54,528	108,551	110,000	1,449	1%
6143 · Outside Work	128,196	97,255	201,839	163,134	61,109	17,132	20,000	2,868	17%
6144 · Equipment Maintenance	33,158	37,489	27,583	38,782	25,724	30,770	65,064	34,294	111%
6145 · Radio Maintenance	13,625	21,838	32,880	14,449	23,866	42,944	48,425	5,481	13%
Total 6140 · Maintenance of Equipment	236,630	202,859	314,718	287,981	189,061	247,187	291,489	44,302	18%
6150 · Maintenance, Structures & Ground	182,530	87,807	228,443	158,419	185,821	236,072	288,944	52,872	22%
6160 · Medical Supplies									
6161 · Medical Supplies	5,751	6,628	14,911	85,114	47,338	54,929	60,000	5,071	9%
Total 6160 · Medical Supplies	5,751	6,628	14,911	85,114	47,338	54,929	60,000	5,071	9%
6170 · Dues and Subscriptions	11,045	13,562	11,655	14,255	13,691	17,182	21,089	3,907	23%
6180 · Miscellaneous									
6017 · Intern/Volunteer Stipends	-	4,810	2,795	1,625	1,820	975	3,000	2,025	208%
6018 · Director Pay	14,795	11,800	15,100	13,000	13,900	12,900	13,000	100	1%
6181 · Miscellaneous	2,521	12,298	13,167	5,598	12,206	12,839	14,500	1,661	13%
6182 · Honor Guard	1,311	1,004	(1,827)	9,103	1,967	3,005	2,093	(912)	-30%
6183 · Explorer Program	3,478	290	1,319	1,204	70	5,878	3,375	(2,503)	-43%
6184 · Pipes and Drums	-	-	3,747	410	-	-	3,000	3,000	N/A
Total 6180 · Miscellaneous	22,105	30,201	34,301	30,940	29,963	35,597	38,968	3,371	9%

El Dorado Hills Fire Department

Historical Trend Analysis

Total All Funds



	Actual FY17/18	Actual FY18/19	Actual FY19/20	Actual FY20/21	Actual FY21/22	Forecast FY22/23	Final Budget FY23/24	Variance 22/23 Budget vs. 23/24 Budget	Variance %
6190 · Office Supplies	21,988	25,297	27,252	29,305	35,580	42,467	45,580	3,113	7%
6200 · Professional Services									
6201 · Audit	12,650	17,975	14,300	14,550	14,925	15,900	16,900	1,000	6%
6202.1 · Legal Fees	261,648	261,284	176,572	234,464	191,965	176,294	174,400	(1,894)	-1%
6202.2 · Human Resources	-	-	-	-	-	90,761	78,900	(11,861)	-13%
6203 · Notices	1,797	741	637	387	518	1,172	1,200	28	2%
6204 · Other Professional Services	136,014	87,568	174,419	104,327	73,373	112,203	191,938	79,735	71%
6205 · Elections/Tax Administration	-	45	-	35,761	-	30	-	(30)	-100%
6206 · Public Relations	1,272	200	5,056	3,765	9,723	14,828	19,250	4,422	30%
Total 6200 · Professional Services	413,381	367,812	370,984	393,253	290,504	411,188	482,588	71,400	17%
6210 · Information Technology									
6211 · Software Licenses/Subscriptions	36,536	53,538	87,457	80,907	107,905	194,839	232,811	37,972	19%
6212 · IT Support/Implementation	120,676	97,367	126,226	114,201	197,926	170,222	195,395	25,172	15%
6213 · IT Equipment	-	31,699	67,586	55,256	84,655	69,435	81,850	12,415	18%
Total 6210 · Information Technology	157,213	182,604	281,269	250,363	390,486	434,496	510,056	75,559	17%
6220 · Rents and Leases									
6221 · Facilities/Equipment Lease	6,819	-	5,913	58,119	54,769	61,884	63,316	1,432	2%
6222 · Solar Lease	66,105	67,034	67,969	53,181	14,049	-	-	-	N/A
Total 6220 · Total Rents and Leases	72,924	67,034	73,882	111,300	68,818	61,884	63,316	1,432	2%
6230 · Small Tools and Supplies	50,012	60,120	133,337	61,664	110,130	124,206	89,695	(34,511)	-28%
6240 · Special Expenses									
6241 · Non-Hosted Training	63,377	124,972	70,929	87,162	99,209	116,630	232,713	116,083	100%
6241.1 · EDC Hosted Training	-	-	-	13,303	83,017	149,856	196,000	46,144	31%
6242 · Fire Prevention	44,586	44,031	106,686	42,906	69,829	76,516	152,170	75,654	99%
6243 · Licenses	10	84	400	(8)	-	-	-	-	N/A
6244 · Directors' Training & Travel	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,000	10,000	N/A
Total 6240 · Special Expenses	107,973	169,087	178,015	143,362	252,055	343,002	590,883	247,881	72%

El Dorado Hills Fire Department

Historical Trend Analysis

Total All Funds



	Actual FY17/18	Actual FY18/19	Actual FY19/20	Actual FY20/21	Actual FY21/22	Forecast FY22/23	Final Budget FY23/24	Variance 22/23 Budget vs. 23/24 Budget	Variance %
6250 · Transportation and Travel									
6251 · Fuel and Oil	65,672	68,171	74,503	80,380	113,063	131,754	150,000	18,246	14%
6252 · Travel	17,577	10,401	23,772	20,511	23,168	34,308	42,000	7,692	22%
6253 · Meals & Refreshments	18,456	18,555	16,603	14,284	20,867	33,338	35,000	1,662	5%
Total 6250 · Transportation and Travel	101,705	97,127	114,878	115,174	157,097	199,400	227,000	27,600	14%
6260 · Utilities									
6261 · Electricity	7,899	17,286	15,827	30,343	29,842	64,306	70,000	5,694	9%
6262 · Natural Gas/Propane	19,618	21,248	16,300	22,322	28,414	53,952	58,000	4,048	8%
6263 · Water/Sewer	18,077	15,565	16,343	17,795	16,587	18,303	30,000	11,697	64%
Total 6260 · Utilities	45,594	54,098	48,469	70,460	74,843	136,561	158,000	21,439	16%
Total Operating Expenditures	\$ 16,968,480	\$ 17,295,899	\$ 18,681,022	\$ 20,653,945	\$ 21,424,315	\$ 23,665,106	\$ 26,331,485	\$ 2,666,379	11%
Unrestricted Operating Revenue - Operating Expenditures	\$ 2,433,947	\$ 3,123,528	\$ 2,809,130	\$ 3,425,859	\$ 3,538,712	\$ 3,837,122	\$ 2,492,984	\$ (1,344,138)	-35%
6570 · OPEB UAL Additional Lump Sum Pmt	1,000,000	600,000	-	-	1,021,551	-	451,865	451,865	N/A
6720 · Capital Outlay	579,635	1,189,045	384,327	448,260	5,450,646	10,972,253	1,829,961	(9,142,292)	-83%
Total Expenditures	\$ 18,548,115	\$ 19,084,944	\$ 19,065,349	\$ 21,102,204	\$ 27,896,512	\$ 34,637,358	\$ 28,613,311	\$ 6,024,047	17%
Total Revenue - Total Expenditures	\$ 3,995,811	\$ 2,914,395	\$ 4,160,018	\$ 4,484,212	\$ (2,712,305)	\$ (5,507,246)	\$ 1,311,158	\$ 6,818,404	
<u>FUND TRANSFERS</u>									
Transfers to Development Fee Fund	\$ (2,867,200)	\$ (1,392,661)	\$ (1,504,149)	\$ (1,144,426)	\$ (1,094,124)	\$ (1,442,364)	\$ (1,100,000)		
Transfers from Development Fee Fund	1,358,755	-	572,510	155,617	3,020,045	8,146,030	936,875		
Transfers to Pension Reserve Fund	(450,000)	(1,654,700)	(2,170,119)	(439,783)	(1,605,662)	(213,026)	(500,000)		
Transfers from Capital Replacement Fund	98,893	813,090	187,772	72,414	2,434,767	2,826,222	893,086		
Transfers to Capital Replacement Fund	(850,000)	(800,000)	(800,000)	(900,000)	(2,314,271)	(2,752,497)	(1,950,510)		
Transfers to/from Unassigned Fund	(1,286,259)	119,875	(446,032)	(2,228,034)	2,271,551	(1,057,119)	409,391		
Total Revenue - Total Expenditures Net of Fund Transfers	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -						



RESERVE FUND SUMMARY

El Dorado Hills Fire Department
2023/24 Final Budget
Reserve Fund Summary



	RESERVE FUND BALANCE AS OF							
	6/30/2017	6/30/2018	6/30/2019	6/30/2020	6/30/2021	6/30/2022	FORECAST 6/30/2023	FINAL BUDGET 6/30/2024
General Reserve Fund (Unassigned/Nonspendable)	14,632,614	15,918,875	15,798,996	16,245,031	18,473,061	16,201,513	17,258,632	16,849,241
Unassigned Fund as a % of Operating Expenditures	89%	94%	91%	87%	89%	76%	73%	64%
Capital Replacement Reserve Fund (Committed)	3,052,680	3,803,787	3,790,697	4,402,926	5,230,513	5,110,017	5,036,292	6,093,716
Total Unrestricted Reserve Funds	17,685,294	19,722,662	19,589,693	20,647,957	23,703,574	21,311,530	22,294,924	22,942,957
Pension Reserve Fund	-	455,760	2,110,460	4,280,579	4,720,362	6,326,025	6,539,051	7,039,051
Development Fee Reserve Fund	6,682,221	8,190,667	9,583,327	10,514,964	11,503,774	9,577,853	2,874,187	3,037,312
Total Restricted Reserve Funds	6,682,221	8,646,427	11,693,787	14,795,543	16,224,136	15,903,878	9,413,238	10,076,363
Grand Total Fund Balances	\$ 24,367,515	\$ 28,369,089	\$ 31,283,480	\$ 35,443,500	\$ 39,927,710	\$ 37,215,408	\$ 31,708,162	\$ 33,019,320



FINAL BUDGET RESOLUTION

EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

RESOLUTION 2023-10

Resolution Adopting the 2023-2024 Final Budget

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the El Dorado Hills County Water District Board (the “Fire District”) held a public hearing during which time additions and deletions to the 2023-2024 Budget were made; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors in accordance with Section 13890 of the Health and Safety Code, the Preliminary Budget for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 is hereby adopted in accordance with the following:

Wages & Benefits:	\$ 23,210,262
Services and Supplies:	3,573,088
Capital Assets:	
Structures and Improvements	800,000
Apparatus and Vehicles	428,875
Equipment and Other	601,086
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Total Budget Requirements:	\$ 28,613,311

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that that the obligations for capital assets and any new permanent employee positions are appropriated with the adoption of the 2023-24 Preliminary Budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the means of financing the expenditures will be by monies derived from Property Taxes, Grant Proceeds, Development Impact Fees, Reserves and Other Miscellaneous Revenues.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Final Budget is hereby adopted and available for inspection by interested persons.

The foregoing resolution was duly passed and adopted by the Board of the El Dorado Hills County Water District at a meeting of said Board held on the 21st day of September, 2023, by the following vote:

AYES:

ABSTAIN:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ATTEST:

John Giraudo, President

Jessica Braddock, Board Secretary



**Annual Report of Revenues and Expenditures (Cal. Gov. Code 66006 (b)(1)
(C), (D), (G), and (H))**

Account: 85530010; 85530011

District: El Dorado Hills County Water
District Including Latrobe
Fiscal Year: 2022-23

(D) REVENUES

MONTH	Fees	Interest
JUL	\$ 133,433.30	\$ 8,176.47
AUG	\$ 73,370.61	\$ 8,764.11
SEP	\$ 66,950.68	\$ 8,792.53
OCT	\$ 84,673.67	\$ 8,321.45
NOV	\$ 47,697.03	\$ 8,448.27
DEC	\$ 43,954.22	\$ 6,641.70
JAN	\$ 88,360.48	\$ 9,380.62
FEB	\$ 72,049.80	\$ 10,372.64
MAR	\$ 229,227.86	\$ 15,311.72
APR	\$ 53,244.48	\$ 17,346.43
MAY	\$ 101,906.13	\$ 18,003.64
JUN	\$ 99,105.85	\$ 9,534.63
TOTAL:	\$ 1,093,974.11	\$ 129,094.21

(G)* TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS

MONTH	AMOUNT
JUL	
AUG	
SEP	
OCT	\$ 923,864.44
NOV	
DEC	\$ 3,680,469.62
JAN	\$ 1,743.32
FEB	
MAR	
APR	
MAY	\$ 3,367,227.75
JUN	\$ 441,302.84
TOTAL:	\$ 8,414,607.97

(C) REPORT YEAR ENDING BALANCE

PRIOR FY ENDING BALANCE:	\$ 11,295,768.20
REPORT YR REVENUES:	\$ 1,223,068.32
REPORT YR EXPENDITURES:	\$ 8,414,607.97
REPORT YR ENDING BALANCE:	\$ 4,104,228.55

(H) REFUNDS PROCESSED

DATE	AMOUNT

*Attach a description of each interfund transfer or loan made from the account or fund, including the public improvement on which the transferred or loaned fees will be expended, and, in the case of an interfund loan, the date on which the loan will be repaid, and the rate of interest that the account or fund will receive on the loan.

Annual Report of Revenues and Expenditures (Cal. Gov. Code 66006 (b)(1) (E) and (F))

District: El Dorado Hills County Water District

Fiscal Year: 2022-23

(E) REPORT YEAR CAPITAL EXPENDITURES/TRANSFERS TO PROJECTS

Identify below each public improvement on which fees were expended and the amount of expenditures on each improvement, including the total percentage of the cost of the public improvement that was funded with fees.

DATE	DESCRIPTION OF EXPENDITURE	TOTAL FY EXPENDITURES	FEE EXPENDITURES	FEE PERCENTAGE
6/1/2023	1% ADMIN FEE Q1 Jul-Sep 2022	\$ 2,264.56	\$ 2,264.56	100%
10/1/2022	Training Facility CIP	\$ 923,864.44	\$ 923,864.44	100%
12/1/2022	Training Facility CIP	\$ 3,680,469.62	\$ 3,680,469.62	100%
1/18/2023	1% ADMIN FEE Q2 Oct-Dec 2022	\$ 1,743.32	\$ 1,743.32	100%
5/23/2023	Training Facility CIP	\$ 3,367,227.75	\$ 3,367,227.75	100%
6/1/2023	1% ADMIN FEE Q3 Jan-Mar 2023	\$ 3,845.23	\$ 3,845.23	100%
6/28/2023	2021/22 Qualifying Expenditures	\$ 432,650.49	\$ 432,650.49	100%
6/30/2023	1% ADMIN FEE Q4 Apr-Jun 2023	\$ 2,542.56	\$ 2,542.56	100%
			\$ 8,414,607.97	

(F) INCOMPLETE IMPROVEMENTS: If the District has determined that sufficient funds have been collected to complete financing on an incomplete public improvement that has been identified for use of fee revenues and the public improvement remains incomplete at the time of this report, identify the approximate date by which the construction of the improvement will commence. *The Department anticipates construction of the Training Facility (Phase 1) will be completed in fiscal year 2023-24.*

Note: Attach additional pages if necessary.

EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
EDHCWD
ORDINANCE NO. 2023-02

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE EL DORADO
HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE EL DORADO HILLS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT ADOPTING AN
ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION PROGRAM.**

Be it ORDAINED by the Board of Directors (Board) of the El Dorado Hills County Water District (EDHCWD), also known as the EDHCWD:

Section 1: **AUTHORITY**

Section 2: **FINDINGS OF FACTS**

Section 3: **CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)**

Section 4: **APPLICABILITY**

Section 5: **DEFINITIONS**

Section 6: **PRE-CITATION NOTICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION**

Section 7: **AMOUNT OF FINES, LATE PAYMENT CHARGES, AND INTEREST**

Section 8: **PAYMENT OF THE FINE**

Section 9: **REQUEST FOR HEARINGS, DISMISSAL OF CITATION**

Section 10: **ADVANCE DEPOSIT HARDSHIP WAIVER**

Section 11: **HEARING PROCEDURE**

Section 12: **BOARD DECISION**

Section 13: **RECOVERY OF FINES, LATE CHARGES, AND INTEREST**

Section 14: **RIGHT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW**

Section 15: **NOTICES**

Section 16: **CONFLICT**

Section 17: **SEVERABILITY**

Section 18: **EFFECTIVE DATE AND PUBLICATION**

SECTION 1: AUTHORITY

1.1 This Ordinance is enacted pursuant to the authority of the California Health & Safety Code Sections [13861](#), 13871, 13872, and California Government Code Sections 25132 and 53069.4.

SECTION 2: FINDINGS OF FACTS

- 2.1 This The El Dorado Hills County Water District (EDHCWD), also known as the EDHCWD, is an independent water district established under Division 12, Part 2, Article 7, Section 31120¹ of the State Water Code; and
- 2.2 EDHCWD is empowered to provide fire protection services and to enforce violations of the California Fire Code, as adopted and amended by EDHCWD, California Health and Safety Code, the regulations of the State Fire Marshal, and all District ordinance; and
- 2.3 Under state law, the Fire Chief and his designees may issue written orders to eliminate fire or life hazards, issue administrative citations for misdemeanor violations and infractions, and order dangerous conditions abated; and
- 2.4 A comprehensive code enforcement system that uses a combination of judicial and administrative remedies is critical to ensure that EDHCWD can protect the public's health, safety, and quality of life.

SECTION 3: CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA)

¹ A district may exercise any of the powers, functions, and duties which are vested in, or imposed upon, a fire protection district pursuant to the Fire Protection District Law of 1987, Part 3 (commencing with Section 13800) of Division 12 of the Health and Safety Code.

3.1 This Ordinance is exempt under the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to California Code of Regulations Title 14, Section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the adoption of the Ordinance would have a significant effect on the environment. The Ordinance sets procedures for ensuring compliance with the Fire Code and other EDHCWD ordinances. The adoption of the Ordinance did not entitle new development or any changes to the physical environment. Use of this Ordinance is at the sole discretion of EDHCWD. This Ordinance is authorized under California Government Code Sections [25132 and 53069.4](#), and California Health and Safety Code Sections 13861(h) and (i), [13871, and 13872](#).

SECTION 4: APPLICABILITY

4.1 This Ordinance provides for Administrative Citations, which are in addition to all other legal remedies, criminal or civil, that EDHCWD may pursue to address a violation of a District ordinance, including the Fire Code, as adopted, and amended by the EDHCWD, or other public nuisance. [This Ordinance is authorized under California Government Code Sections 25132 and 53069.4, and California Health and Safety Code Sections 13861\(h\) and \(i\), 13871, and 13872.](#)

SECTION 5: DEFINITIONS

As used in this Ordinance, the following definitions shall apply:

~~5.1 **Administrative Citation** means a citation issued by a Fire Code Official for a violation of the Code.~~

~~5.25.1~~ **Board** means the Governing Board for the El Dorado Hills County Water District.

~~5.35.2~~ **California Fire Code (CFC)** means code provisions found within California Code of Regulations Title 24, Part 9, as amended locally by EDHCWD.

~~5.3~~ **Citation or Administrative Citation** means a civil citation issued [by a Fire Code Official](#) pursuant to the Ordinance stating there has been a violation of one or more provisions and setting the amount of the civil penalty to be paid by the responsible party.

5.4 **Code** means [the EDHCWD ordinance, California Fire Code, California Building Code, California Code of Federal Regulations, and/or California Health and Safety Code.](#)

5.5 **Days** means calendar days.

- 5.6 **EDHCWD** means the El Dorado Hills County Water District of El Dorado County, a political subdivision of the State of California.
- 5.7 **Fire Code Official** means the fire chief or other designated authority charged with the administration and enforcement of the code, or a duly authorized representative.
- 5.8 **Pre-Citation Notice** means the written notice provided to a Responsible Person of a violation of the Code that does not create an immediate danger to health or safety.
- 5.9 **Responsible Person** means the owner, tenant, operator, or person or entity otherwise in charge and control of property that is the subject of a violation, or who is otherwise causing, permitting, or aiding and abetting in any violation of the Code.
- 5.10 **Violation** means a violation of the Code for which the Fire Code Official has authority to issue an Administrative Citation or Pre-Citation Notice.

SECTION 6: PRE-CITATION NOTICE AND ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION

- 6.1 Pre-Citation Notice. Except as provided in Subsection 6.2 below, prior to issuing an Administrative Citation for a Violation of the Code, the Fire Code Official shall serve a Pre-Citation Notice on the Responsible Person containing the following information:
 - 6.1.1 The date the Violation was observed;
 - 6.1.2 The address or definite description of the location where the Violation was observed;
 - 6.1.3 The section of the Code violated and a description of the Violation;
 - 6.1.4 The compliance date by which the Violation must be corrected or otherwise remedied, which shall be a reasonable period of no less than fifteen (15) days and no more than sixty (60) days from the date of the Pre-Citation Notice as determined by the Fire Code Official.
 - 6.1.5 A statement that if the Violation is not corrected by the specified compliance date, an Administrative Citation will be issued that imposes a fine, the amount of which shall be specified; and
 - 6.1.6 The name, ~~title,~~ and signature of the Fire Code Official issuing the Pre-Citation Notice.
- 6.2 Exceptions from Pre-Citation Notice Requirements

- 6.2.1 If the Violation of the Code constitutes an immediate danger to health or safety, the Fire Code Official may issue an Administrative Citation without first issuing a Pre-Citation Notice.
- 6.2.2 If the Fire Code Official issued an Administrative Citation to the Responsible Person for a violation of the Code in the immediately preceding calendar year and the Responsible Person has violated the same provision of the Code, the Fire Code Official may issue an Administrative Citation without first issuing a Pre-Citation Notice.
- 6.3 Reinspection. Upon or after the compliance date set forth in the Pre-Citation Notice, the Fire Code Official shall inspect the property and determine if the Violation has been corrected upon which one of the following remedies shall occur:
 - 6.3.1 If the violation has been corrected, the Fire Code Official shall serve on the Responsible Person a notice that the Violation has been corrected.
 - 6.3.2 If the Violation has not been corrected or if the Violation has recurred, the Fire Code Official shall serve on the Responsible Person an Administrative Citation as set forth in Subsection 6.4 of this Ordinance.
- 6.4 Administrative Citation. Whenever a Fire Code Official determines that a Violation has occurred, the Fire Code Official shall have the authority to issue an Administrative Citation to any person responsible for the Violation, subject to the limitations contained in Subsection 6.1 of this Ordinance.
- 6.5 Contents of Administrative Citation. Each Administrative Citation shall contain the following information:
 - 6.5.1 The date of the Violation;
 - 6.5.2 The address or a definite description of the location where the Violation occurred;
 - 6.5.3 The section of the Code violated and a brief description of the Violation;
 - 6.5.4 The amount of the fine for the Violation;
 - 6.5.5 A description of the fine payment process, including a description of the time within which and the place where the fine shall be paid;
 - 6.5.6 An order prohibiting the continuation or repeated occurrence of the Violation described in the Administrative Citation;

6.5.7 A description of the Administrative Citation review process, including the thirty (30) day deadline for requesting a hearing to contest the Citation under Section 9 of this ordinance and the ten (10) day deadline for seeking an Advance Deposit Hardship Waiver under Section 10 of this Ordinance, the procedure for obtaining from the District Clerk a request for hearing form to contest the Administrative Citation, and notice that failure to contest the Administrative Citation will make the Citation a final action by EDHCWD for which there is no further administrative review and no judicial review;

6.5.8 A statement explaining that each day the Violation occurs or continues may constitute a separate Violation; and the name, title, and signature of the citing Fire Code Official.

~~6.5.9~~6.5.9 The name and signature of the Fire Code Official issuing the Pre-Citation Notice.

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SECTION 7: AMOUNTS OF FINES, LATE PAYMENT CHARGES, AND INTEREST

7.1 Fine Amounts. The maximum amount of the fine imposed for each Code Violations under this ordinance shall be, ~~per Violation~~:

7.1.1 A fine not exceeding one hundred dollars (\$100) for a first Violation; and

7.1.2 A fine not exceeding ~~two-five~~ hundred dollars (~~\$5200~~) for a second Violation of the same Code provision within ~~three-one~~ calendar years; and

7.1.3 A fine not exceeding ~~five-hundredone thousand~~ dollars (~~\$1,0500~~) for each additional Violation of the same Code provision within ~~three-one~~ calendar years.

7.2 For the purposes of this section, each day the Violation occurs constitutes a separate violation.

7.3 Late Payment Charges and Interest. A fine that remains unpaid 30 days after the due date under Subsections 7.1.1, 7.1.2, or 7.1.3 of this Ordinance shall be subject to a late payment penalty of ten ~~40~~ percent (10%), plus interest at the rate of ~~one 4~~ percent (1%) per month on the outstanding balance, which shall be added to the penalty amount from the date that payment is due.

7.4 Discretion of Board to Establish Fine. The EDHCWD Board has the discretion to waive the fine or to set the fine lower than the amount set in Subsection 7.1 based on one or more of the following factors:

7.4.1 The duration of the Violation;

7.4.2 The frequency, recurrence, and number of Violations by the Responsible Person;

7.4.3 The seriousness of the Violation;

7.4.4 The bona fide efforts of the Responsible Person to come into compliance;

7.4.5 The financial burden of the fine on the Responsible Person;

7.4.6 The impact of the Violation on the community health and safety; and

7.4.7 Such others factors as justice requires.

SECTION 8: PAYMENT OF THE FINE

8.1 Due Date. The fine shall be paid to EDHCWD within 30 days following the date of the Administrative Citation. The Fire Code Official or designee may, but shall not be obligated to, suspend the imposition of a fine for any period during which the Responsible Person has filed for permits that are necessary to achieve compliance and the permit applications are pending before the appropriate governmental agency.

8.2 Further Violations Not Excused. Payment of a fine under this Ordinance shall not excuse or discharge any continuation or repeated occurrence of the Violation.

SECTION 9: REQUEST FOR HEARING; DISMISSAL OF CITATION

9.1 Hearing Request. A person who receives an Administrative Citation may contest the Citation on the basis that there was no Violation, or that he or she is not [the](#) Responsible Person, or may seek a reduction in the amount of a fine imposed for a repeat Violation on the grounds that he or she made a bona fide effort to comply after the first Violation and that payment of the full amount of the fine would impose an undue [financia](#)le burden. To contest the Administrative Citation or seek a reduction of the fine imposed for a repeat violation, the [Responsible P](#)erson shall submit a request for a hearing to the District Secretary within 30 days following the date of the Administrative Citation. The request form may be obtained from the Administrative Office of the EDHCWD. The completed

request must be submitted together with either an advance deposit of the fine or notice that a request for an advance deposit hardship waiver has been filed under Section 10 of this Ordinance.

- 9.2 Dismissal of Citation. At any time before the hearing, if the Fire Code Official or designee determines that there was no Violation as charged in the Administrative Citation, that the Violation has been remedied, or that the Administrative Citation should be dismissed in the interest of justice, the Fire Code Official or designee shall dismiss the Administrative Citation, cancel the hearing, and refund any Administrative Citation fine deposited.

SECTION 10: ADVANCE DEPOSIT HARDSHIP WAIVER

- 10.1 Request for Waiver. A person who intends to contest an Administrative Citation under Section 9 of this Ordinance and who financially is unable to make the required advance deposit of the fine, may file a request for an advance deposit hardship waiver.
- 10.2 Filing. An advance deposit hardship waiver shall be filed with the District Clerk on a form provided by the EDHCWD. The application submitted shall include an affidavit, together with any supporting documents or materials, demonstrating the person's actual financial inability to deposit with EDHCWD the full amount of the fine. The waiver form shall be filed within 10 days following the date of the Administrative Citation.
- 10.3 Deposit Requirement Stayed. The requirement of advance deposit of the fine shall be stayed until EDHCWD issues a determination on the application for an advance deposit hardship waiver.
- 10.4 Standard for Waiver. The Fire ~~Code Official or designee~~ Marshal or Fire Chief may waive the requirement of an advance deposit under Section 9 of this Ordinance and issue the waiver only if the evidence submitted demonstrates to the satisfaction of the Fire Marshal or Fire Chief ~~Fire Code Official or designee~~ the person's actual financial inability to deposit with EDHCWD the full amount of the fine in advance of the hearing.
- 10.5 Written Determination. The Fire Marshal or Fire Chief ~~Fire Code Official or designee~~ shall issue a written determination listing the reasons for his or her determination to issue or

not issue the advance deposit hardship waiver. The written determination of the [Fire Marshal or Fire Chief](#) ~~Fire Code Official or designee~~ is final.

- 10.6 Deposit Required If Waiver Denied. If the [Fire Marshal or Fire Chief](#) ~~Fire Code Official or designee~~ determines not to issue a waiver, the person cited shall deposit the fine with the District Secretary within 10 days following the date of that decision, or 30 days following the date of the Administrative Citation, whichever is later.

SECTION 11: HEARING PROCEDURE

- 11.1 Setting the Hearing. ~~A hearing before the District Board of Directors shall be set for a date that is not less than 15 days nore more than 60 days from the date that the reqwuest for hearing is filed. The person requesting the hearing shall be notified of the time and place set for the hearing as soon as it is set, and at least 10 days before the hearing. No hearing shall be held unless the fine has been deposited in advance, in accordance with Subsection 9.1, or an advance deposit hardship waiver has been issued in accordance with Section 10.~~
- 11.2 Failure to Appear. The failure of the person requesting the hearing to appear at the hearing shall constitute a forfeiture of the fine and a failure to exhaust his or her administrative remedies.
- 11.3 Hearing. The Administrative Citation and any supplemental report submitted by the Fire Code Official shall constitute prima facie evidence of the respective facts contained in those documents. At the hearing, the ~~party~~ Responsible Person contesting the Administrative Citation shall be given the opportunity to testify and to present evidence concerning the Administrative Citation. Formal rules of evidence shall not govern the hearing. The EDHCWD Board may accept testimony by declaration related to the Administrative Citation from any party.
- 11.4 Continuance. The EDHCWD Board may continue the hearing from time to time and may request additional information from the Fire Code Official or the Responsible Person requesting the hearing before issuing its decision.

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SECTION 12: BOARDS DECISION

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- 12.1 Decision. After considering the testimony and evidence presented at the hearing, the EDHCWD Board shall issue a written decision by resolution, supported by findings, to uphold, dismiss, or modify the Administrative Citation, and setting the amount of the fine, if any. The Board Secretary shall deliver a copy of the resolution to the person requesting the hearing. The Board's resolution shall constitute the final administrative decision by the EDHCWD Board. The resolution shall state that the time for judicial review of the Board's decision is governed by California Government Code Section 53069.4.
- 12.2 Status of Fine. If the EDHCWD Board upholds the Administrative Citation and the fine, the fine amount on deposit with EDHCWD shall be retained by the District. If the EDHCD Board upholds the Administrative Citation but reduces or eliminate the fine imposed, the EDHCWD shall promptly refund the excess amount of the fine deposited. If the EDHCWD Board upholds the Administrative Citation and the fine, and the fine has not been deposited, the Board shall set forth in the decision a payment schedule for the fine and any additional charges, which shall not extend more than one hundred and eighty (180) days from the date of the decision. If the EDHCWD Board dismisses the Administrative Citation, the EDHCWD shall promptly refund any fine deposited, together with interest at the average rate earned on the EDHCWD portfolio for the period of time that the fine was held by the EDHCWD.

SECTION 13: RECOVERY OF FINES, LATE CHARGES, AND INTEREST

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- 13.1 Cost of Securing Payment. A Responsible Person who fails to pay any fine or other charge owed to the EDHCWD under this Ordinance is liable in any action brought by the EDHCWD for all costs incurred in securing payment of the delinquent amount, including but not limited to, administrative costs and attorney's fees. Such collection costs are in addition to any fines, interest, and late charges.
- 13.2 Other Costs. In addition to the administrative citation fine, the EDHCWD may collect its administrative costs, interest, late payment charges, cost of compliance reinspections, and collection costs.
- 13.3 Collection. THE EDHCWD may collect any past due administrative citation fine and other costs and charges by any available legal means.

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~~13.1 The EDHCWD may collect any past due fines, late payment charges, and interest imposed under this Ordinance by filing a civil action or by pursuing any other legal remedies. EDHCWD may also recover its collection costs, including reasonable attorney's fees, in any civil action brought to collect Administrative Citation fines, late payment charges, and interest.~~

SECTION 14: RIGHT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW

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14.1 Any person aggrieved by the decision of the Board of the El Dorado Hills County Water District on an Administrative Citation issued under this Ordinance may obtain review of the decision by filing a notice of appeal with the El Dorado Superior Court within twenty (20) days of the service of the Board's decision in accordance with the provisions of California Government Code Section 53069.4.

SECTION 15: NOTICES

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15.1 Method of Service. Any Pre-Citation Notice, Administrative Citation, notice of hearing, written determination on application for advance deposit hardship waiver, supplemental report, Board's decision, and any other notice or document required to be given by EDHCWD or the Board pursuant to this Ordinance shall be served either by:

15.1.1 Personal service on the Responsible Person or the person requesting the hearing;
or

15.1.2 By deposit in the United States Mail first class, in a sealed envelope postage prepaid, addressed to the Responsible Person or the person requesting the hearing at that person's last known address, or at the address that has been provided to EDHCWD in any public record or other records pertaining to the Violation.

15.1.3 Service shall include a declaration under penalty of perjury setting forth the date of personal delivery or, for service ~~by~~ mail, the date of deposit in the mail. Service by personal delivery shall be deemed complete on the date of the delivery. Service by mail shall be deemed complete on the date of deposit in the mail.

15.2 Real Property. When real property is involved in the Violation, and the Responsible Person is not the property owner, any Pre-Citation Notice, the Administrative Citation and all notices and documents required to be given by this Ordinance shall be additionally served

on the property owner at the property owner's address as shown on the last equalized County assessment roll. If personal service or service by mail on the property owner is unsuccessful, a copy of any Pre-Citation Notice, Administrative Citation, and all other notices and documents required under this Ordinance shall be conspicuously posted at the property that is the subject of the Violation. EDHCWD may also, in its discretion, serve notices and other documents on a tenant, a mortgagor, or any other person having an interest in the property.

15.3 Failure to Receive Notice. The failure of the Responsible Person or other person to receive a required notice or document served in accordance with this Section of the Ordinance shall not affect the validity of any proceedings taken under this Ordinance.

SECTION 16: CONFLICT

16.1 The operation of this Ordinance shall in no way change or diminish the application of other ordinances of EDHCWD dealing with like or similar matters. In any case where a provision of this Ordinance is found in conflict with a provision of any zoning, building, fire safety, or health ordinance or any other section of the Code, including fines, the provision which establishes the higher standard for the promotion and protection of the health and safety of the people shall prevail.

16.2 It is not intended by this Ordinance to repeal, abrogate, annul, or in any way impair or interfere with existing provisions of other laws or ordinances or with private restrictions placed upon property by covenant, deed, or other private agreement except those specifically repealed by this Ordinance. In cases where two or more provisions of this or any other Ordinance conflict, the most stringent or restrictive shall prevail.

SECTION 17: SEVERABILITY

17.1 If any Ordinance, article, subsection, or subdivision thereof, provision, sentence, clause or phrase of this code, or any application thereof, is for any reason held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining provisions of this code, which can be given effect without the invalid portions and, therefore, such invalid portions are declared to be severable.

17.2 The EDHCWD hereby declares that it would have enacted this Ordinance and each of its articles, sections, subsections, or subdivisions thereof, provisions, sentences, clauses, or phrases irrespective of the fact that one or more of them is declared invalid.

SECTION 18: EFFECTIVE DATE AND PUBLICATION

18.1 This Ordinance shall take effect 30 days after its adoption. The EDHCWD Board Secretary is directed to publish this Ordinance in a newspaper of general circulation in the District. In lieu of publication of the full text of the ordinance, a summary of the ordinance may be published by the by the Board Secretary within fifteen (15) days after its passage and a certified copy shall be posted in the office of the EDHCWD pursuant to Government Code Section 36933(c) (1).

18.2 The above Ordinance was introduced at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the EDHCWD on { }, and it was then read for the first time. A public hearing was set for the Ordinance to be read for the second time on { } and approved by the following vote:

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the EDHCWD this, _____day of _____, 2023.

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

John Giraudo, Board President

ATTEST:

Jessica Braddock, Board Secretary



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DATE: September 13, 2023
TO: Board of Directors
AGENDA ITEM: Item XIV-B
SUBJECT: Response Time Goals

TOPIC

Adopt recommended response time goals as noted in the July 2016, Community Risk Assessment/Standards of Cover Study.

SUMMARY

In July 2016, the Department concluded a Community Risk Assessment/Standards of Cover Study, Volume 1, which yielded multiple findings and recommendations found on pages 9-12 of the study. The Board did not formally adopt these recommendations; however the Department has implemented some of these recommendations as standard practice. The evolving factors of increased call volume, shifts in community demographics, and challenges within the County Fire Service call for a fresh examination in the near future. Adopting the recommendations from the current study will formalize the Department's present response objectives.

DISCUSSION

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1710 Standard, initially released in 2001, has undergone three revisions in 2004, 2010, and 2016, with the most recent update in May 2019. This standard applies to nearly all career fire departments and outlines the minimum requirements for resource deployment in various firefighting scenarios, including fire suppression, EMS, and special operations, with a focus on firefighter occupational health and safety.

The NFPA 1710 Standard categorizes structure fires into three hazard levels: low hazard (such as residential single-family dwellings), medium hazard (including three-story garden apartments or strip malls), and high hazard structures like high-rise buildings. It encompasses a wide range of firefighting scenarios, including fire suppression, EMS, Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting, Marine Rescue and Firefighting, Wildland Firefighting, and Mutual and Auto Aid.

NFPA 1710 sets these performance objectives to ensure timely response and effective deployment of resources in firefighting situations, with specific timeframes for different types of incidents and hazards. The Department strives to meet the current day standard and will need to conduct a new study to evaluate what our response is today and make further recommendations based on the collected data.

FISCAL IMPACT

This staff report only identifies the standard and need for a study in the future; however, there is no funding request currently.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff respectfully recommends that the Board adopt the below response time recommendations from the July 2016 Community Risk Assessment/Standards of Cover Study.

Adopt Response Time Goals Based on Population Density:

The Department should adopt a two-tiered travel time population density-driven goal:

First-due urban/suburban populations – 6 minutes travel time to 90% of the incidents.

First-Alarm units to urban/suburban populations – 9 minutes travel time to 90% of the incidents.

Specific Revised Deployment Goals:

Distribution of Fire Stations: To treat medical patients and control small fires, the first-due unit should arrive within 9:30 minutes/seconds in urban/suburban areas 90% of the time from the receipt of a 9-1-1 call to the fire dispatch center.

This equates to a 90-second dispatch process time, a 2-minute company turnout time, and the appropriate population density travel time of 6- minute travel time.

Multiple-Unit Effective Response Force for Serious Emergencies:

To confine fires to or near the room of origin, to confine wildland fires to three acres or less when promptly notified, and to treat up to five medical patients simultaneously, a multiple-unit response consisting of a minimum of 3 engines, one ladder truck, one ambulance, and two chief officers totaling 17 personnel within 12:30 minutes in urban/suburban areas, 90% of the time, from the receipt of a 9-1-1 call in the fire dispatch center.

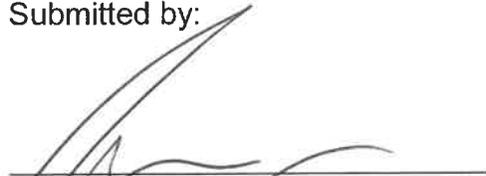
This equates to a 90-second dispatch process time, a 2-minute company turnout time, and the appropriate population density travel time of 9 minutes.

Hazardous Materials Response: Provide hazardous materials response designed to protect the community from the hazards associated with the uncontrolled release of hazardous and toxic materials. The fundamental mission of the Department response is to minimize or halt the release of a hazardous substance so it has minimal impact on the community. It can achieve this with a travel time in urban/suburban areas for the first company capable of investigating a HazMat release at the operations level within 6 minutes' travel time, 90% of the time. After size-up and scene evaluation are completed, a determination will be made whether to request a regional hazardous materials response team.

Technical Rescue: Respond to technical rescue emergencies as efficiently and effectively as possible with enough trained personnel to facilitate a successful rescue. Achieve a travel time for the first company in urban/suburban areas for size-up of the rescue within 6 minutes travel time or less, 90% of the time. Assemble additional resources for technical rescue capable of initiating a rescue within a total response time of 12:30 minutes/seconds for urban/suburban areas, 90% of the time. Safely complete rescue/extrication to ensure delivery of the patient to a definitive care facility.

Emergency Medical Services: Provide fire unit paramedic services within 9:30 minutes/seconds in urban/suburban areas, 90% of the time from the receipt of a 9-1-1 call in the fire dispatch center. The regional ambulance JPA will set the ambulance response time goals periodically.

Submitted by:


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**COMMUNITY RISK ASSESSMENT,
STANDARDS OF COVER STUDY,
AND STRATEGIC PLAN AND
TRAINING FACILITIES REVIEW**

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*VOLUME 1 OF 3 –
EXECUTIVE SUMMARY*

July 5, 2016



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VOLUME 1—EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Citygate Associates, LLC's was retained by the El Dorado Hills County Water District Fire Department (Department) to conduct a Community Risk Assessment and Standards of Cover Study, along with a Strategic Plan and Training Facilities Review. This study included reviewing the adequacy of the current fire station deployment system and other strategic plans supporting the Board of Directors policy decisions. This report is presented in three volumes, including this Executive Summary (**Volume 1**) summarizing our findings and recommendations, a Technical Report (**Volume 2**) that includes a Standards of Coverage (deployment) assessment and the Strategic Plan and Training Facility review, along with a geographic Map Atlas (**Volume 3**) that displays fire unit travel time coverage.

1.1 POLICY CHOICES FRAMEWORK

As the Department's Board of Directors understands, there are no mandatory federal or state regulations directing the level of fire service response times and outcomes. The body of regulations on the fire service provides that *if fire services are provided, they must be done so with the safety of the firefighters and citizens in mind*. Historically, the Department has made very good investments in fire and emergency medical services. This study should be regarded as a best practices tune up and peer review for a quality agency.

1.2 CITYGATE'S OVERALL OPINIONS ON THE STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT'S FIRE SERVICES

In brief, Citygate finds that the challenge of providing fire services in the Department is similar to that found in many communities: providing an adequate level of fire services within the context of limited fiscal resources, competing needs, growing and aging populations, with uncertainty surrounding the exact timing of future development. The Department is adequately deployed for its current populations and risks. Service would be improved with the relocation of Station 91 and a slight staffing/resource addition to Station 85. The Department's Strategic Plan and Training Facility Plan are both well executed, and Citygate offers fine-tuning recommendations on these as the Department discusses on-going policy and fiscal decisions.

Citygate must state up front that we found quality staff of which the community should be proud. The staff are doing a lot in a middle-sized career fire department, which must serve a very large, diverse area. The recommendations are intended as a continuous quality improvement refinement. We did not find the deployment of fire stations, apparatus, or equipment deeply flawed or in need of immediate repair.

The Department cannot completely meet its deployment needs *on very serious emergencies*, but through its own fire response resources, and its neighbors in the regional mutual aid system, the Department is prepared for everyday incidents and can request assistance on catastrophic

emergencies. Throughout this report, Citygate makes key findings, and, where appropriate, specific action item recommendations. Overall, there are 15 key findings and 14 specific action item recommendations.

1.3 FIELD OPERATIONS DEPLOYMENT (FIRE STATIONS)

Fire department deployment, simply stated, is about the **speed** and **weight** of the attack. **Speed** calls for first-due, all-risk intervention units (engines, ladder trucks, and specialty units such as for wildland fires) strategically located across a coverage area. These units are tasked with controlling moderate emergencies, preventing the incident from escalating to second alarm or greater, which unnecessarily depletes Department resources as multiple requests for service occur. **Weight** is about multiple-unit response for serious emergencies, such as a room and contents structure fire, a multiple-patient incident, a vehicle accident with extrication required, or a heavy rescue incident. In these situations, a sufficient quantity of firefighters must be assembled within a reasonable time frame to safely control the emergency, thereby keeping it from escalating to greater alarms.

In **Volume 2** of this study, Citygate’s analysis of prior response statistics and use of geographic mapping tools reveals that the Department has adequate fire station coverage if the customary fire loss outcomes are to be delivered as expected in other communities with urban, suburban, and rural population densities. If El Dorado County allows significant new growth, increasing current rural areas to urban population densities, then the Department may need to add one to two additional fire stations. Given the uncertain timing of actual development, those station sites cannot be identified at present. However, as the Department adopts the recommended deployment measures in this report, and continues to use the geographic mapping and statistical tools we used, the Department will be well prepared to present its added needs to the County and development applicants. The maps provided in **Volume 3** and the corresponding text explanation beginning in **Volume 2** describe in detail the Department’s current deployment system performance.

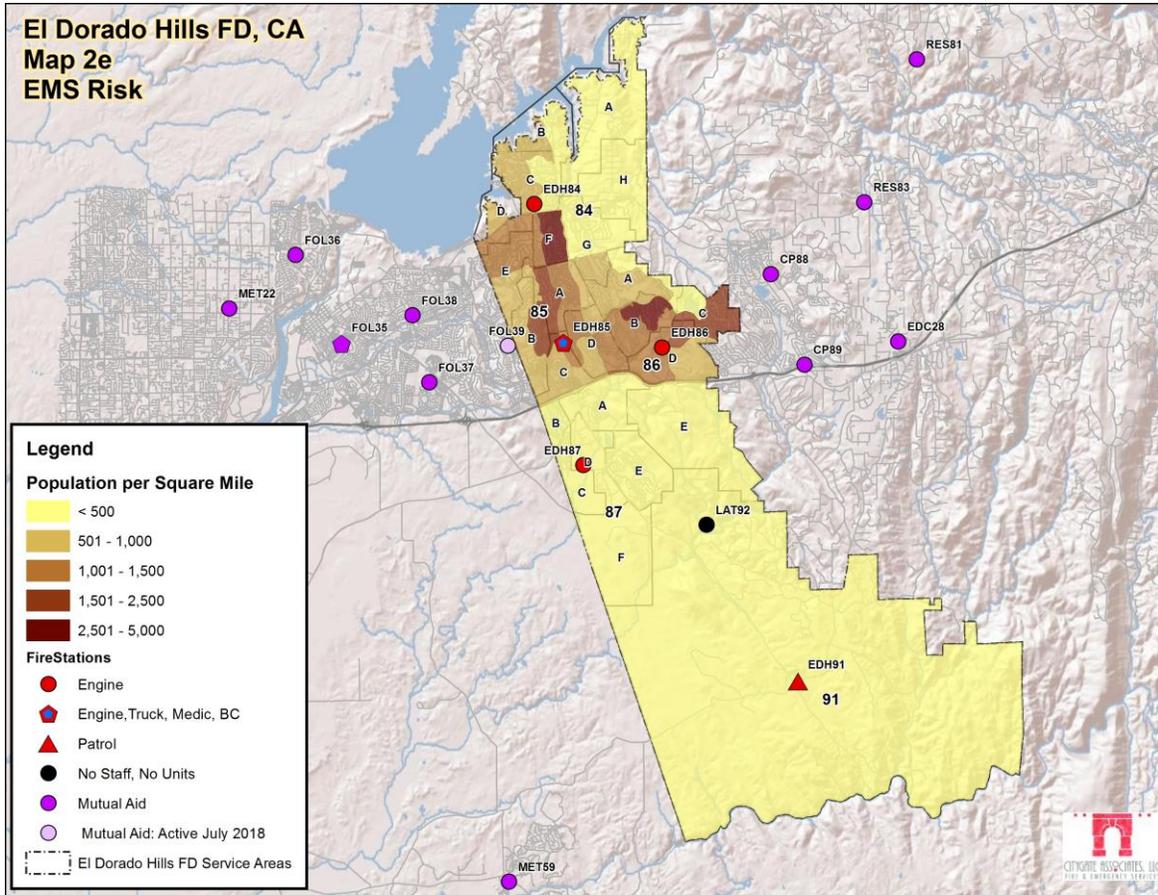
Citygate’s recommendations for fire and EMS crew deployment are designed to deliver effective outcomes on serious medical emergencies, and to keep serious, but still-emerging, fires small. The Department’s current response times from fire dispatch 9-1-1 call receipt to first unit on scene are summarized in Table 1:

**Table 1—Call to Arrival Response Time (Minutes/Seconds) – 90% Performance (Table 33
from Volume 2)**

Station	Overall	2013	2014	2015
<i>Department-Wide</i>	11:45	11:30	12:04	11:31
84	11:30	11:10	12:10	11:02
85	12:07	12:18	12:23	11:41
86	11:45	11:41	11:57	11:24
87	10:42	10:21	10:39	11:16
91	15:02	N/A	10:01	15:22

The above *total response times* are comprised of three parts—dispatch processing time, crew turnout time, and travel time across the street network. This report will identify that improvements need to be made in dispatch and turnout times. However, the real challenge to response time in the Department is the diverse topography and road network that developed as hillside subdivisions were approved. The following table and corresponding Map #2e in the Map Atlas show how travel times vary widely by population density area:

Figure 1—Population per Square Mile



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Table 2—Apparatus: 90% Travel Time Performance Minutes – (Table 47 from Volume 2)

District	2015 Time / Count
84-A	12:04 (34)
84-B	06:51 (31)
84-C	05:06 (126)
84-D	05:14 (14)
84-E	06:29 (41)
84-F	04:51 (87)
84-G	08:18 (45)
84-H	09:17 (17)
85-A	05:02 (167)
85-B	05:19 (36)
85-C	04:28 (151)
85-D	05:27 (72)
86-A	07:15 (41)
86-B	07:21 (93)
86-C	06:17 (68)
86-D	05:55 (42)
86-E	10:19 (10)
87-A	06:02 (137)
87-B	06:59 (22)
87-C	06:52 (77)
87-D	04:22 (57)
87-E	05:56 (29)
87B	03:14 (1)
91-A	12:39 (14)
91-B	12:43 (7)
91-C	17:47 (14)

Citygate’s analysis finds that Department travel times in many districts do not meet nationally recognized best practices for urban/suburban areas by a significant margin. Several factors influence this, including large geographic fire station service areas, hilly topography, a non-grid road network, limited cross-access boulevards, simultaneous incidents, open spaces, and security gates, none of which can be cost-effectively improved.

However, there are 14 districts that contain urban/suburban population density. Of these, two have travel times less than 5 minutes, and they are the higher population/incident demand areas close to Stations 84 and 85. Another six have travel times less than 6 minutes. Three others have travel times less than 7 minutes. Out of 14 zones, 8, or 57% of the zones, are reached in under 6 minutes. Another 21% have travel times less than 7 minutes. To place this in perspective, Citygate has metropolitan fire department clientele that cannot easily achieve less than 6 minutes in areas with far greater populations.

In addition, total incident quantities must be taken into account. Citygate always recommends deployment that “covers the most incidents in the least time...” Of the 1,433 incidents in 2015 measured in Table 2, 68% of the incidents are in the urban/suburban population density zones. *Of these 48.5% receive travel times of less than 6 minutes.* Given that some of these zones also have some rural edges to them, we can effectively say that 50% of the Department’s incidents are receiving travel times of less than 6 minutes on a challenging topography and road network.

1.4 OVERALL DEPLOYMENT EVALUATION

The Department serves a diverse land use pattern in an area bisected by open space areas. Population drives service demand, and development brings population. The Department’s responses are volume-driven by emergency medical events. But the Department also has to ensure an effective firefighting force is available even when multiple medical events occur.

For the foreseeable future, the Department will need both a first-due firefighting unit and Effective Response Force (First Alarm) coverage in all parts of the Department, but varied by population density and risks, if the risk of fire is to be limited to only part of the inside of an affected building. While residential fire sprinklers are now included in the national model fire codes, it will be decades before the existing housing stock will be upgraded or replaced, even if these codes were to be adopted for all new construction.

While the volume of, and response times to, EMS incidents consume much of the Department’s attention, all communities need a “stand-by and readily available” firefighting force for when fires break out.

If the Department and its residents want to provide the three elements below, the Department must significantly increase its deployment plan:

- ◆ Provide equitable response times to all similar population density neighborhoods
- ◆ Provide for depth of response when multiple incidents occur
- ◆ Provide for a concentration of response forces for high-risk properties.

Based on the deployment analysis contained in this study, Citygate makes the recommendations to strengthen deployment performance as incidents slowly increase year to year.

- Finding #1:** The Department Directors have not adopted a complete and best-practices-based deployment measure or set of specialty response measures for all-risk emergency responses that includes the beginning time measure from the point of fire dispatch receiving the 9-1-1 phone call, nor a goal statement tied to risks and outcome expectations. The deployment measure should have a second measurement statement to define multiple-unit response coverage for serious emergencies. Making these deployment goal changes will meet the best practice recommendations of the Commission on Fire Accreditation International (CFAI).
- Finding #2:** Given that all of the populated areas of the Department abut state-designated *Moderate* or *High* wildland Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZ), the Department needs the “weight” of fire attack using multiple units in a timely manner to stop incipient wildfires before they become catastrophic.
- Finding #3:** Much of the residential/commercial areas of the Department north of U.S. 50 are at or above suburban population densities as defined by CFAI. As such, it is appropriate to benchmark the Department’s response time and outcome goals in urban/suburban areas to those recommended by National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1710 for career fire departments, *north of U.S 50*.
- Finding #4:** Due to semi-rural and rural population densities south of U.S. 50, the Department needs to adopt response time policies for differing population densities from urban to rural.
- Finding #5:** The Department’s five fire station locations provide computer-predicted 4-minute travel time coverage to approximately half of the urban/suburban population densities, and less than approximately 20% of the entire Department. As such the Department should adopt tiered response time policies.
- Finding #6:** Only a small percentage of the Department is within 8 minutes travel time of an Effective Response Force of five engines, one ladder truck, one ambulance, and two chief officers. *For mutual aid units*, the Department’s topography and road network design do not allow a 5-engine best practice-recommended travel time to urban/suburban population densities.
- Finding #7:** The Department’s minimum multi-unit response of three Department engines, one ladder truck, one ambulance and two chiefs totaling 17 personnel to serious

emergencies should be achievable within 9 minutes travel time to the most populated areas, which is close to an urban/suburban area best practice.

Given the somewhat newer building construction in most of the Department, and the low rate of serious building fires, a Department only provided Effective Response Force of 17 personnel meets NFPA 1710 recommendations for urban/suburban areas. Using more units from mutual aid for rare, very serious fires is an acceptable deployment decision.

- Finding #8:** The Department’s fire station locations north and just south of U.S. 50 can provide 4- to 6-minute travel time coverage to the Department’s urban/suburban areas substantially meeting best practices. As such, these stations are well located, and additional stations in this 4-station area are not needed, absent a very high level of infill development.
- Finding #9:** The proposed relocation of Station 91 to the northeast is very good, providing the rural area travel time coverage from 6 to 8 minutes travel time, meeting best practices and Citygate’s recommendations for rural areas.
- Finding #10:** Department total response times are significantly longer than best practice and Citygate’s customary recommendation for *urban/suburban* communities with mostly flat terrain of 7 minutes or less from receipt of the call at fire dispatch to arrival at the incident in both urban/suburban and rural areas.
- Finding #11:** The Department’s 90th percentile dispatch processing time is consistently well past best practices for urban/suburban fire and EMS incidents. The Department and CAL FIRE must make a concerted effort to significantly improve dispatch processing, and if the time cannot meet urban area needs, then the Department should research joining the Sacramento Regional Fire Communications JPA, which dispatches Folsom, its nearest, most-staffed mutual aid partner.
- Finding #12:** The Department’s 90th percentile turnout time performance has improved over the previous two years to a level consistently below 2 minutes for all stations, which is good progress. A robust goal would be a 90-second turnout time. The Department’s goal for turnout time should be 2-minutes at night and closer to 90-seconds during waking hours.
- Finding #13:** The Department’s very constrained road network over difficult terrain makes it unfeasible to deliver first-due travel times of 4 minutes to all of the

urban/suburban population density areas. Given this, the Department should adopt revised performance measures tiered to population density.

Finding #14: The Department’s travel time for the last needed unit to arrive at serious building fires, known as the Effective Response Force (ERF or First Alarm), ranging from 10:15 to 12:46, are longer than a NFPA 1710 recommendation of 8 minutes travel time for the last-due unit in urban/suburban populations. As with first-due units, the Department should adopt tiered ERF measures by population density.

Based on our technical analysis and findings above also contained in Volume 2, Citygate offers the following deployment recommendations:

Recommendation #1: **Adopt Department Board of Directors Deployment Measures Policy:** The Department-elected officials should adopt updated, complete performance measures to direct fire crew planning and to monitor the operation of the Department. The measures of time should be designed to deliver outcomes that will save patients medically salvageable upon arrival and to keep small fires from becoming more serious. Such measures will provide the Department a basis upon which to add more fire stations if the County’s approvals of development grow more urban/suburban population density goals.

Recommendation #2: **Adopt Response Time Goals Based on Population Density:**

The Department should adopt a two-tiered travel time population density driven goal:

First-due urban/suburban populations – 6 minutes travel time to 90% of the incidents.

First-due rural populations – 8 minutes travel time to 90% of the incidents.

First-Alarm units to urban/suburban populations – 9 minutes travel time to 90% of the incidents.

First-Alarm units to rural populations – 12 minutes travel time to 90% of the incidents.

Recommendation #3: Specific Revised Deployment Goals:

3.1 Distribution of Fire Stations: To treat medical patients and control small fires, the first-due unit should arrive within 9:30 minutes/seconds in urban/suburban areas, and 11:30 minutes/seconds in rural areas, 90% of the time from the receipt of a 9-1-1 call in the fire dispatch center.

This equates to a 90-second dispatch process time, a 2-minute company turnout time, and the appropriate population density travel time of 6- or 8-minute travel time.

3.2 Multiple-Unit Effective Response Force for Serious Emergencies: To confine fires to or near the room of origin, to confine wildland fires to three acres or less when promptly notified, and to treat up to five medical patients simultaneously, a multiple-unit response consisting of a minimum of 3 engines, 1 ladder truck, 1 ambulance or squad, and 2 chief officers totaling 17 personnel within 12:30 minutes in urban/suburban areas and 15:30 minutes in rural areas, 90% of the time from the receipt of a 9-1-1 call in the fire dispatch center.

This equates to a 90 seconds dispatch process time, a 2-minute company turnout time, and the appropriate population density travel time of 9 or 12 minutes.

3.3 Hazardous Materials Response: Provide hazardous materials response designed to protect the community from the hazards associated with uncontrolled release of hazardous and toxic materials. The fundamental mission of the Department response is to minimize or halt the release of a hazardous substance so it has minimal impact on the community. It can achieve this with a travel time in urban/suburban areas for the first company capable of investigating a HazMat release at the operations level within 6 minutes travel time, 90% of the time. After size-up and scene evaluation is completed, a determination will be made whether to request a regional hazardous materials response team.

3.4 Technical Rescue: Respond to technical rescue emergencies as efficiently and effectively as possible with enough trained personnel to facilitate a successful rescue. Achieve a travel time for the first company in urban/suburban areas for size-up of the rescue within 6 minutes travel time or less, 90% of the time. Assemble additional resources for technical rescue capable of initiating a rescue within a total response time of 12:30 minutes/seconds, for urban/suburban areas and 15:30 minutes/seconds in rural areas, 90% of the time. Safely complete rescue/extrication to ensure delivery of patient to a definitive care facility.

3.5 Emergency Medical Services: Provide fire unit paramedic services within 9:30 minutes/seconds urban/suburban areas and 11:30 minutes/seconds in rural areas, 90% of the time from the receipt of a 9-1-1 call in the fire dispatch center. The regional ambulance JPA will set the ambulance response time goals periodically.

Recommendation #4: Relocation of Station 91: As funds allow, proceed with the relocation of Station 91 to the site identified by the Department, at the best possible pace, given the poor conditions at the present station.

Recommendation #5: Lower Dispatch Processing Time: The Department and CAL FIRE Camino Dispatch must work on lowering fire and EMS dispatch processing times to national best practice goals. If, due to existing CAL FIRE technology and personnel costs, this cannot be achieved, the Department should explore a dispatch contract with the Sacramento Regional Fire Communications Center.

Recommendation #6: Crew Turnout Time: Maintain a crew turnout time maximum policy of 2 minutes.

Recommendation #7: Increase Station 85 Staffing and Add an EMS Squad: The Department should consider adding a fifth firefighter/paramedic per day to the Ladder 85 crew. Then provide a 2-person EMS squad unit and allow the crew to split when needed into a 3-person team (one of which is a firefighter/paramedic on the ladder and a 2-firefighter/paramedic team on the squad).

When Ambulance 85 is committed to an incident, or posted out of the Department, the EMS squad can provide additional paramedic care, or when the ambulance is available in the Department, the EMS squad can respond to low acuity medical calls that historically have not needed an ambulance transport. Doing so will increase the ambulance's capacity for serious incidents requiring transport.

If funding in the near term is not available for an additional firefighter, then the Department can consider splitting the current 4-person crew into two teams of two, one of which would staff an EMS Squad. If this were to be done initially, Citygate would caution the Department to restrict the EMS squad's service area to within 8-minutes travel time of Station 85 so that if the ladder truck were needed for a fire, the Squad could join up with the ladder truck quickly at another emergency.

Recommendation #8: The District should strive to maintain at least a 2-person staffing model at very rural stations, such as Station 91 and Rescue 83. Perhaps a 3rd position could be provided part-time from a stipend, apprentice/training program type of position.

Recommendation #9: Adopt and Maintain Impact Fees: The Department must adopt, and annually keep current, a new facilities and apparatus impact fee policy for new construction when the development cannot be serviced by the Department's adopted response time policies.

1.5 OVERALL TRAINING FACILITY REVIEW

Citygate's review of the proposed training center finds a well-thought-through plan, for which we offer some modest recommendations to fine-tune the plan to the Department's unique needs. We also suggest the Department look at phasing the construction over time if up-front funding or debt service is too costly for the Department to support. The final phasing is a cost of funds issue—cash up front, or in phases, versus use of debt financing with the resultant payments over one or two phases. The funding decision must be made in concert with the Department's needs to maintain annual operations and maintain a prudent fiscal reserve appropriation.

Finding #15: Training Center Site: After visiting both sites, clearly the Station 87 site is preferable. There is plenty of room to develop and expand, it is in a commercial zone as opposed to the residential zone of Station 86, and the Department already obtained a local Special Use Permit.

- Recommendation #10: Training Center Physical Design:** When grading the area for the training facility, leave as much untouched as possible. Build up a fairly steep embankment where the live fire training burn building is to be located. Utilize the entry driveway to simulate the varying grade curved roads, intersections, and divided roads found in El Dorado Hills. This will create much more realistic challenges for auto extrication and vehicle operation training. As the name implies, very little of El Dorado Hills is flat. The hands-on training ground should be sloped so that local terrain is always at the forefront of the firefighter’s mind in training and on duty.
- Recommendation #11: Live Fire Training Building Design:** The residential live fire burn structure should be developed so that it is set into a hillside to present both the ascending and descending aspects of structures in El Dorado Hills. This will be a challenge, but it is achievable. Such a live fire burn structure would be unique and costlier than the one proposed in the existing training plan; however, it would reflect the reality that firefighters face in these unique structures. It would also be a draw for firefighters from throughout the region who are faced with similar challenges. Moreover, simultaneously it could be used for the more commonly-found residential structures, as well as modern apartment buildings.
- Recommendation #12: Training Center Staff Spaces:** Eventually, full-time staff will need to be assigned to the training facility. While that may seem to be in the distant future, with current growth rates, it could be needed soon. Training officer and staff facilities should be built into the classroom building from the start.
- Recommendation #13: Training Center Construction Phasing:** The construction of the training center could be split into two phases – props and classroom/office.

1.6 DEPARTMENT STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW

Citygate found the Strategic Plan appropriate for the Department’s needs. We did not make any specific findings, but did offer one recommendation:

- Recommendation #14: Strategic Plan Life Span:** By 2019, the Department will have had six years’ experience with its strategic plan. It will be time to start

thinking about the process it will use to thoroughly update the strategic plan. The Department should consider updating the plan with a more rigorous approach that would actually *plan the future rather than plan for the future*. This effort would bring about the following improvements in the plan: (1) it would allow a variety of futures; (2) it would guide the members of the organization to envision the future and develop the necessary procedures and operations to achieve that future; (3) it would develop a strategic management process; and (4) it would extend the planning horizon.

1.7 NEXT STEPS

The purpose of this assessment is to compare the Department’s current performance against the local risks to be protected, as well as to compare against nationally recognized best practices. This analysis of performance forms the base from which to make recommendations for changes, if any, in fire station locations, equipment types, staffing, and headquarters programs.

As one step, the Department should adopt updated and best-practices-based response time goals for the differing population density areas served in the Department, and to provide accountability for the Department personnel to meet those standards. The deployment recommendations in this study are designed to meet the Departments topography and road network design on its rolling hills. Measurement and planning as the Department continues to evolve will be necessary to meet these goals.

Citygate’s recommends that the Department’s next steps be to work through the issues identified in this study over the short-term:

1.7.1 Short-Term Steps

- ◆ Absorb the policy recommendations of this fire services study and adopt updated Department performance measures to drive the deployment of firefighting and emergency medical resources.
- ◆ Work to reduce dispatch time to critical incidents, and keep crew turnout times to less than 2-minutes.
- ◆ Consider funding the recommended increased staffing and squad proposal for Station 85.
- ◆ Update as necessary the Department’s Capital Impact Fees for new development.
- ◆ Maintain, with annual updates, the Department’s Strategic Plan.

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- ◆ Consider the Training Facility recommendations for tailoring the plan to El Dorado Hills' unique needs, and estimate cost to determine if the project can and should be fiscally phased over time.



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SECTION 1—INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

Citygate Associates, LLC was retained by the El Dorado Hills County Water District Fire Department (Department) to conduct a Community Risk Assessment and Standards of Cover Study, along with a Strategic Plan and Training Facilities Review. Citygate’s scope of work and corresponding Work Plan was developed consistent with Citygate’s Project Team members’ experience in fire administration. Citygate utilizes various National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) publications as best practice guidelines, along with the self-assessment criteria of the Commission on Fire Accreditation International (CFAI).

1.1 REPORT ORGANIZATION

This report volume is structured into the following sections. Volumes 1 (Executive Summary) and 3 (Map Atlas) are separately bound.

- Section 1 Introduction and Background: An introduction to the study and background facts about the Department.
- Section 2 Standards of Response Coverage Introduction: An introduction to the Standards of Coverage (SOC) process and methodology used by Citygate in this review.
- Section 3 Deployment Goals/Measures and Risk Assessment: An in-depth examination of the Department’s deployment ability to meet the community’s risks, expectations, and emergency needs.
- Section 4 Staffing and Geo-Mapping Analysis: A review of (1) the critical tasks that must be performed to achieve the Department’s desired outcome; and (2) the Department’s existing fire station locations and future locations.
- Section 5 Response Statistical Analysis: A statistical data analysis of the Department’s incident responses and an overall deployment evaluation.
- Section 6 SOC Evaluation and Deployment Recommendation: A summary of deployment priorities and an overall deployment recommendation.
- Section 7 Facilities Master Plan Review: A review of the Training Center Plan, facility location, total training environment concept, and best practices.
- Section 8 Strategic Plan Review: A review of the Department’s Strategic Plan.
- Section 9 Next Steps: A summary of deployment short- and long-term next steps.

1.1.1 Goals of Report

As each of the sections mentioned above imparts information, this report will cite findings and make recommendations, if appropriate, that relate to each finding. The findings and recommendations are numbered sequentially throughout Sections 3 through 8 of this report. A complete list of all these same findings and recommendations, in order, is found in the Executive Summary. Section 9 of this report brings attention to the highest priority needs and possible next steps.

This document provides technical information about how fire services are provided, legally regulated, and how the Department currently operates. This information is presented in the form of recommendations and policy choices for the Department leadership to discuss.

1.2 PROJECT SCOPE OF WORK

1.2.1 Standards of Response Coverage Review

The scope of the Standards of Response Coverage review included the following elements:

- ◆ Modeling the need and effects of the current fire station locations. Although this is not a study of fire departments adjacent to the Department, the study considered the impacts of the Department’s existing or potential automatic and mutual aid agreements on the Department’s needs.
- ◆ Establishing performance goals consistent with best practices and national guidelines from the NFPA and CFAI.
- ◆ Using an incident response time analysis program called StatsFD™ to review the statistics of prior historical performance.
- ◆ Using a geographic mapping response time measurement tool called FireView™ to measure fire and ambulance driving coverages.

SOC Study Questions

To prepare and develop a Standards of Coverage document for the Department, Citygate reviewed computer data, response time analysis, and past performance. As a result, this study addresses the following questions:

1. Is the type and quantity of apparatus and personnel adequate for the Department’s deployment to emergencies?
2. What is the recommended deployment to maintain adequate emergency response times as growth continues to occur?

1.3 DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

Located on the western edge of El Dorado County immediately east of the City of Folsom, the El Dorado Hills County Water District Fire Department (Department) resides in an expanding suburban/rural community. Bordered generally by Folsom Lake and the American River on the north; Rescue Fire Protection District, Cameron Park Community Services District, and El Dorado County Fire Protection Districts to the east; Cosumnes River on the south; and Sacramento County on the west; the Department encompasses approximately 79 square miles on both the north and south sides of U.S. 50 with an estimated population of approximately 43,000 residents. The Department provides fire suppression, prevention, emergency medical, rescue, hazardous materials, disaster preparedness, and public education services. The Department employs a staff of 65 full-time employees, two part-time employees, and operates from five strategically located fire stations. The Department consolidated with the Latrobe Fire Protection District to the south in 2014, and also provides contractually shared administrative services with the adjacent Rescue Fire Protection District to the northeast.

Situated just east of the City of Folsom and the greater Sacramento metropolitan area, the area's modern development began in the 1960s as a master planned community. Between the late-1960s and mid-1990s, growth occurred at a moderate pace as new families relocated from Sacramento, Southern California, and the San Francisco Bay Area. This growth consisted primarily of residential housing and two shopping centers. Growth slowed during the early part of the 1990s due to economic recession throughout California, but resumed at a fast pace by the mid-1990s. Businesses, particularly those interested in escaping the high costs of Silicon Valley began to set up operations in the El Dorado Hills Business Park south of U.S.50. In 1995, the Parker Development Company acquired 3,500 acres along the eastern boundary of El Dorado Hills to create Serrano, one of the largest master planned communities in Northern California.

Around 2000, the Department's population growth and commercial development accelerated significantly. Development began in the Town Center Zone to form a downtown business area, and the Business Park experienced increasing rates of construction and occupancy. Today, the Department contains a combination of residential, commercial, office, light industrial, agricultural, and recreational/open space uses, with approximately 15,000 housing units.

With its Sierra Nevada foothills location, the Department offers an attractive environment for residents, including Folsom Lake, the American River, natural vegetation, and undulating terrain ranging from approximately 450 feet to 1,000 feet in elevation. The Department's climate is characterized by long, hot summers, and cool, wet winters. Average temperatures range from 38 degrees in January to 94 degrees in July and August. Rainfall averages approximately 26 inches annually, occurring generally between mid-October and mid-April.

The Department obtains dispatch services from the West Slope Ambulance Joint Powers Authority (JPA) whom in turn contracts with CAL FIRE¹ for its fire dispatch services. CAL FIRE also provides dispatch services for most other fire agencies in El Dorado County.

1.3.1 Legal Basis for Agency

The El Dorado Hills County Water District was formed to provide water and sewer services to the community of El Dorado Hills in 1963. In that same year, the District's services were expanded to include fire protection. In 1973, District residents voted to have the water and sewer services operated by the El Dorado Irrigation District, leaving only fire protection under the County Water District Board. The District annexed with the Latrobe Fire Protection District on June 10, 2014, and is governed by a five-member Board of Directors elected by District residents to staggered four-year terms.

1.3.2 Funding Sources and Restrictions

At its September 17, 2015 meeting, the Department Board approved a Final Budget of \$20.476 million, including \$3.66 million in capital expenditures and a \$1.2 million payment toward the Department's unfunded CalPERS retirement contract liability. Revenues inclusive of property taxes and fees were projected to be \$15.81 million, with the balance of the budgeted expenditures funded from reserves.

The Board of Directors places a high priority on closely monitoring the impact of local economic conditions on the Department's finances and on the Department's ability to maintain current service levels, meet infrastructure needs, and build and maintain healthy reserve balances. The budget preparation and adoption process is guided by several basic fiscal tenets:

- ◆ Ongoing operating expenditures are to be paid with ongoing operating revenues.
- ◆ Some services provided by Department staff have a cost recovery element that is close to 100% cost recovery.
- ◆ Alternate revenue sources such as grants are encouraged with the caveat that the associated expenditures have a limited life equal to that of the revenue source.
- ◆ Paid time off balances, such as annual leave, will be funded at 100% pay out values per Memorandum(s) of Understanding and compensation and benefit plans effective at the end of each fiscal year.

The Department has incorporated these tenets into its fiscal strategies and uses them to set fiscally responsible short- and long-term goals. The Department also continues to provide a high level of

¹ CAL FIRE's Amador-El Dorado Administrative Unit Headquarters in Camino, CA

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reliable service to Department residents, businesses, and visitors. Despite the recent difficult economic conditions, the Department’s reserves are healthy and its long-term financial outlook is strong. Fire stations have not been closed and no fire engines were removed from service. Employees have not been laid off or furloughed, and service levels have been maintained. Effective leadership and prudent fiscal practices continue to ensure that the community the Department serves will receive the service level that it has come to expect.

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SECTION 2—STANDARDS OF COVERAGE INTRODUCTION

2.1 *STANDARDS OF COVERAGE STUDY PROCESSES*

The core methodology used by Citygate in the scope of its deployment analysis work is the “Standards of Response Coverage” 5th Edition, which is a systems-based approach to fire department deployment, as published by the CFAI.² This approach uses local risk and demographics to determine the level of protection best fitting the Department’s needs.

The Standards of Response Coverage methodology evaluates deployment as part of a fire agency’s self-assessment process. This approach uses risk and community expectations on outcomes to help elected officials make informed decisions on fire and emergency medical services deployment levels. Citygate has adopted this methodology as a comprehensive tool to evaluate fire station locations. Depending on the needs of the study, the depth of the components may vary.

Such a systems approach to deployment, rather than a one-size-fits-all prescriptive formula, allows for local determination of service level. In this comprehensive approach, each agency can match local needs (risks and expectations) with the costs of various levels of service. In an informed public policy debate, a governing board “purchases” the fire and emergency medical service levels the community needs and can afford.

While working with multiple components to conduct a deployment analysis is admittedly more work, it yields a much better result than using only a singular component. For instance, if only travel time is considered, and frequency of multiple calls is not considered, the analysis could miss over-worked companies. If a risk assessment for deployment is not considered, and deployment is based only on travel time, a community could under-deploy to incidents.

² Commission on Fire Accreditation International

The Standards of Response Coverage process consists of the following eight elements:

Table 1—Standards of Response Coverage Process Elements

Element	Meaning
1. Existing Deployment Policies	Reviewing the deployment goals the agency has in place today.
2. Community Outcome Expectations	Reviewing the expectations of the community for response to emergencies.
3. Community Risk Assessment	Reviewing the assets at risk in the community. (In this Citygate study, see Section 3.3 Community Risk Assessment.)
4. Critical Task Study	Reviewing the tasks that must be performed and the personnel required to deliver the stated outcome expectation for the Effective Response Force.
5. Distribution Study	Reviewing the spacing of first-due resources (typically engines) to control routine emergencies.
6. Concentration Study	Reviewing the spacing of fire stations so that building fires can receive sufficient resources in a timely manner (First Alarm assignment or the Effective Response Force).
7. Reliability and Historical Response Effectiveness Studies	Using prior response statistics to determine the percent of compliance the existing system delivers.
8. Overall Evaluation	Proposing Standard of Cover statements by risk type as necessary.

Fire service deployment, simply stated, is about the speed and weight of the response. *Speed* relates to first-due, all-risk intervention units (engines, trucks, and/or rescue ambulances) strategically located across a service area to respond to emergencies within an effective travel time to control simple to moderate emergencies, preventing the incident from escalating to greater size or complexity. *Weight* relates to multiple-unit responses for more serious emergencies such as a building fire, multiple-patient medical incident, vehicle accident with extrication required, or heavy rescue incident. In these situations, a sufficient number of appropriately trained personnel must be assembled within a reasonable time frame to safely control the emergency and keep it from escalating into a catastrophic event.

This deployment design paradigm is illustrated in Table 2:

Table 2—Fire Department Deployment Simplified

	Meaning	Purpose
<u>Speed of Attack</u>	Travel time of first-due, all-risk intervention units strategically located across a service area	Controlling simple to moderate emergencies without the incident escalating in size or complexity
<u>Weight of Attack</u>	Number of firefighters in a multiple-unit response for serious emergencies	Assembling enough firefighters within a reasonable time frame to safely control the emergency

Thus, small fires and medical emergencies require a single- or two-unit response (engine and specialty unit) with a quick response time. Larger incidents require more crews. In either case, if the crews arrive too late, or the total personnel sent to the emergency are too few for the emergency type, they are drawn into a losing and more dangerous battle. The science of fire crew deployment is to spread crews out across a jurisdiction’s service area for quick response to keep emergencies small with positive outcomes, without spreading the crews so far apart that they cannot amass together quickly enough to be effective in major emergencies.

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SECTION 3—DEPARTMENT DEPLOYMENT GOALS/MEASURES AND RISK ASSESSMENT

3.1 *WHY DOES THE DEPARTMENT EXIST AND HOW DOES IT DELIVER THE EXISTING FIRE CREW DEPLOYMENT SERVICES?*

3.1.1 Existing Response Time Policies or Goals—Why Does the Agency Exist

SOC ELEMENT 1 OF 8
**EXISTING DEPLOYMENT
POLICIES**

The Department Board of Directors over the decades has not adopted detailed response time policies by type of risks. However, the Department has a long history of striving to provide a high level of service that can be documented in budgeted resources, response times, number of fire companies, and minimum staffing. The Department does measure a response time goal of 6 minutes from the time of fire crew notification that is reported to the Department Directors each month.

For emergency medical services (EMS), the current countywide pre-hospital emergency medical system includes local fire agency response personnel trained to either the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) or Paramedic level, and a fire-agency-based Paramedic ambulance system operated by the El Dorado County Regional Prehospital Emergency Services Operations Authority. Under this EMS system model, each local fire agency provides initial pre-hospital response and medical care at either the Basic Life Support (BLS) or Advanced Life Support (ALS) level, and the Ambulance Authority provides Paramedic ambulance transport services with eight ALS ambulances dynamically deployed in the western area of the County. The Department provides staffing for one of the eight JPA ambulances, and in addition, daily Department response staffing includes Paramedics on each fire apparatus. Table 3 summarizes JPA ambulance contract response performance standards.

Table 3—JPA Ambulance Response Performance Standards

Response Zone	Maximum Response Time (Minutes:Seconds) ¹	Compliance Percentage
Urban ²	10:00	90%
Semi-Rural ³	20:00	90%
Rural ⁴	20:00	90%
Wilderness ⁵	As soon as possible	N/A

¹ Time interval from ambulance crew notification to arrival at medical emergency or patient

² Population density greater than 999 per square mile

³ Population density from 100-999 per square mile

⁴ Population density from 10-99 per square mile

⁵ Population density less than 10 per square mile

Note: The JPA population density levels are unique to it and not the ones used by the NFPA or CFAI.

Another source to look for community response time policies is the Safety Element of the County General Plan. Citygate’s review of that Plan³ revealed that while it contains broad goals for overall community fire safety, no specific fire service response time goals or explicit desired outcomes are included. Thus, today it is impossible to measure current performance to national best practices or local standards that define a start and end time by type of risk to be protected for non-EMS incidents.

The lack of formally adopted response time goals by the Department is not congruent with best practices for emergency response time tracking. Nationally recognized standards and best practices call for a time line with several important time measurements that include a definition of response time.

The Department also has not identified response goals for technical rescue and hazardous material responses; in addition to firefighting and EMS, these incident types response time goals also are required to meet the Standards of Coverage model for the Commission on Fire Accreditation International (CFAI). In this Standards of Coverage study, Citygate will recommend revised response time goals to include all risks including fire, EMS, hazardous materials, and technical rescue responses. The goals will be consistent with the CFAI systems approach to response.

³ Public Health, Safety, and Noise Element, El Dorado County General Plan (Amended December 2015)

3.2 OUTCOME EXPECTATIONS

SOC ELEMENT 2 OF 8
COMMUNITY OUTCOME
EXPECTATIONS

The Standards of Response Cover Process begins by reviewing existing emergency services outcome expectations. This can be restated as follows: for what purpose does the response system exist? Has the governing body adopted any response performance measures? If so, the time measures used need to be understood and good data collected.

Current best practice nationally is to measure percent completion of a goal (e.g., 90% of responses) instead of an average measure. Mathematically this is called a “fractile” measure.⁴ This is because the measure of average only identifies the central or middle point of response time performance for all calls for service in the data set. Using an average makes it impossible to know how many incidents had response times that were way over the average or just over. For example, if a department had an average response time of 5 minutes for 5,000 calls for service, it cannot be determined how many calls past the average point of 5 minutes were answered in the 6th minute, or way out at 10 minutes. This is a significant issue if hundreds or thousands of calls are answered far beyond the average point. Fractile measures will identify, per minute, the number of incidents that are reached up to 100%.

More importantly within the Standards of Response Coverage Process, positive outcomes are the goal, and from that crew size and response time can be calculated to allow efficient fire station spacing (distribution and concentrations). Emergency medical incidents have situations with the most severe time constraints. In a heart attack that stops the heart, a trauma that causes severe blood loss, or in a respiratory emergency, the brain can only live 8-10 minutes without oxygen. Not only heart attacks, but also other events can cause oxygen deprivation to the brain. Heart attacks make up a small percentage; drowning, choking, trauma constrictions, or other similar events have the same effect. In a building fire, a small incipient fire can grow to involve the entire room in 8 to 10 minutes. If fire service response is to achieve positive outcomes in severe emergency medical situations and incipient fire situations, *all* responding crews must arrive, size-up the situation, and deploy effective measures before brain death occurs or the fire leaves the room of origin.

Thus, from the time of 9-1-1 receiving the call, an effective deployment system is *beginning* to manage the problem within a 7- to 8-minute total response time. This is right at the point that brain death is becoming irreversible and the fire has grown to the point to leave the room of origin and become very serious. Thus, the Department needs a first-due response goal within this time frame

⁴ A *fractile* is that point below which a stated fraction of the values lie. The fraction is often given in percent; the term percentile may then be used.

to give the situation hope for a positive outcome. It is important to note the fire or medical emergency continues to deteriorate from the time of inception, not the time the fire engine actually starts to drive the response route. Ideally, the emergency is noticed immediately and the 9-1-1 system is activated promptly. This step of awareness—calling 9-1-1 and giving the dispatcher accurate information—takes, in the best of circumstances, 1 minute. Then crew notification and travel time take additional minutes. Once arrived, the crew must walk to the patient or emergency, size-up the situation, and deploy its skills and tools. Even in easy-to-access situations, this step can take 2 or more minutes. This time frame may be increased considerably due to long driveways, apartment buildings with limited access, multi-storied apartments or office complexes, or shopping center buildings such as those found in parts of the Department.

Unfortunately, there are times that the emergency has become too severe, even before the 9-1-1 notification and/or fire department response, for the responding crew to reverse; however, when an appropriate response time policy is combined with a well-designed system, then only issues like bad weather, poor traffic conditions, or multiple emergencies will slow the response system down. Consequently, a properly designed system will give citizens the hope of a positive outcome for their tax dollar expenditure.

The Department Board of Directors conducted a public listening session for this study on May 5, 2016, which was attended by approximately 25 persons. Comments relative to fire service expectations included:

- ◆ “Was the Latrobe School considered in identifying the prospective location for a new Station 91?”
- ◆ “Is the projected growth in senior housing being considered in this study?”
- ◆ “Does the study consider the Department’s engine-based ALS emergency medical care capability?”
- ◆ “This is a good analysis of risk vs. deployment”
- ◆ “Looking forward to the EMS analysis”
- ◆ “The Board should give great consideration to long-term fiscal strategic modeling”
- ◆ “Do safety standards adversely impact deployment options?”
- ◆ “Desired time increments are driven by desired outcome expectations”
- ◆ “The current deployment model adversely impacts EMS response times; should this service line be addressed differentially?”
- ◆ “Should we be building these traditional fire station facilities going forward?”

For this report, “total” response time is the sum of dispatch call processing and crew notification time, crew turnout time, and road travel time. This is consistent with the recommendations of the CFAI.

Finding #1: The Department Directors have not adopted a complete and best-practices-based deployment measure or set of specialty response measures for all-risk emergency responses that includes the beginning time measure from the point of fire dispatch receiving the 9-1-1 phone call, nor a goal statement tied to risks and outcome expectations. The deployment measure should have a second measurement statement to define multiple-unit response coverage for serious emergencies. Making these deployment goal changes will meet the best practice recommendations of the Commission on Fire Accreditation International.

3.3 COMMUNITY RISK ASSESSMENT

SOC ELEMENT 3 OF 8
COMMUNITY RISK
ASSESSMENT

The third element of the Standards of Coverage (SOC) process is a community risk assessment. The objective of a community risk assessment is to:

1. Identify the hazards with potential to adversely impact the community or jurisdiction
2. Quantify the probability of occurrence for each identified hazard
3. Identify and evaluate factors likely to influence impact severity for each identified hazard
4. Determine overall risk by hazard.

A *hazard* is broadly defined as a situation or condition that can cause or contribute to harm. Hazard examples include fire, medical emergency, vehicle collision, earthquake, flood, etc. *probability* is the likelihood of occurrence of a particular hazard, and *impacts* or *consequences* are the adverse effects that a hazard occurrence has on people, property, and/or the community as a whole. *Risk* is broadly defined as the *probability of hazard occurrence* in combination with the *likely severity of resultant impacts*, and *risk vulnerability* is a measure of the probability of the existing deployment model’s ability to protect against or mitigate a specific hazard.

3.3.1 Risk Assessment Methodology

The methodology employed by Citygate to assess and quantify community risk as an integral element of an SOC study incorporates the following elements:

1. Identification of geographic risk assessment sub-zones (risk zones) appropriate for the community or jurisdiction
2. Identification of the fire and non-fire natural and human-caused hazards with potential to adversely impact the community or jurisdiction
3. Determination of *probability of future occurrence* for each hazard by risk zone considering historical service demand and the probability of occurrence criteria described in Table 4

Table 4—Probability of Occurrence Criteria

Probability Score	Description	Criteria
1	Very Low	Less than 5% probability of occurrence within next 12 months
2	Low	5%-10% probability of occurrence within next 12 months
3	Moderate	11%-50% probability of occurrence within next 12 months
4	High	51%-95% probability of occurrence within next 12 months
5	Very High	Greater than 95% probability of occurrence within next 12 months

4. Identification and evaluation of appropriate *impact severity factors* for each hazard by risk zone using agency/jurisdiction-specific data and information and the impact severity factor score criteria described in Table 5 and in Appendix A.

Table 5—Impact Severity Factor Score Criteria

Risk Factor Score	Description
1	Risk factor <i>negligibly</i> contributes to increased overall impact severity, or significantly contributes to reducing overall impact severity
2	Risk factor <i>minimally</i> contributes to increased overall impact severity, or contributes moderately to reducing overall impact severity
3	Risk factor <i>moderately</i> contributes to increased overall impact severity
4	Risk factor <i>significantly</i> contributes to increased overall impact severity
5	Risk factor <i>seriously</i> contributes to increased overall impact severity

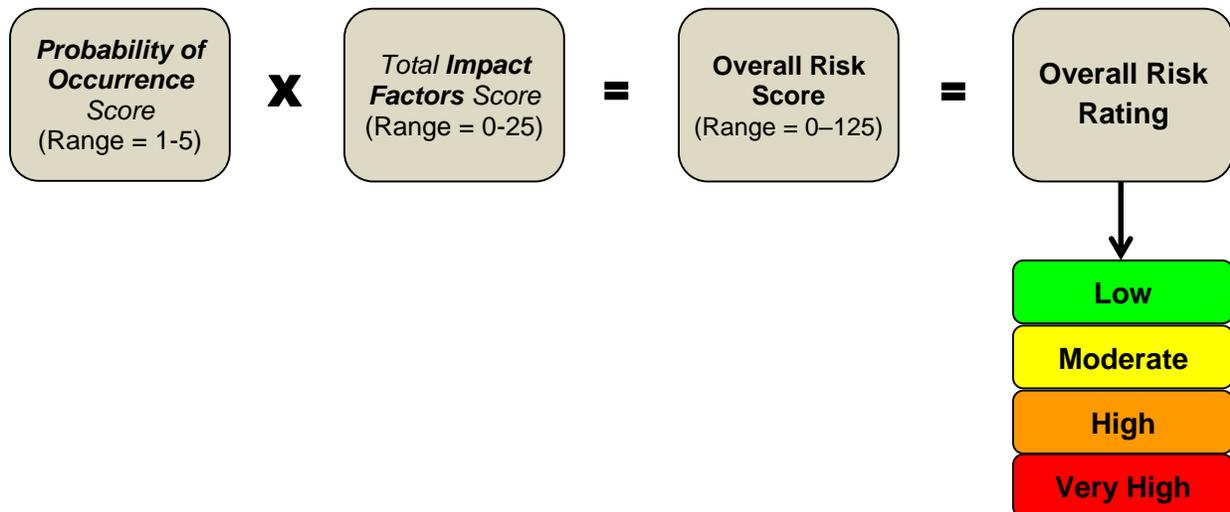
5. Calculation of *overall risk score* for each hazard by multiplying the sum of *impact factor scores* by the *probability of occurrence* score for each risk zone
6. Determination of overall *risk rating* by risk zone based on overall risk score as described in Table 6.

Table 6—Overall Risk Rating

Overall Risk SCORE	Overall Risk RATING
0 - 31	LOW
32 - 62	MODERATE
63 - 94	HIGH
95 - 125	VERY HIGH

Figure 1 illustrates the methodology used to quantify overall risk for each hazard by risk zone.

Figure 1—Overall Risk Calculation Flowchart



Citygate used multiple data sources for this study to understand the risks to be protected in the Department as follows:

- ◆ U.S. Census Bureau population data and demographics
- ◆ Insurance Services Office (ISO) building fire flow and construction data
- ◆ El Dorado County Geographical Information Systems (GIS) data

- ◆ El Dorado County General Plan and Zoning documents
- ◆ El Dorado County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP).

3.3.2 Risk Assessment Summary

Citygate’s evaluation of the various risks likely to adversely impact the El Dorado Hills Fire Department yields the following conclusions:

1. The Department has very diverse population densities, with suburban densities in the core business/residential areas, and rural densities in the outlying areas
2. The Department’s population is projected to grow by over 75% over the next 15 years
3. The Department has a mix of residential, commercial, office, and industrial buildings typical of a suburban community
4. The Department has varying levels of risk relative to seven hazards specifically relating to fire department services as follows:
 - a. Building Fire Risk
 - b. Wildland Fire Risk
 - c. Emergency Medical Service Risk
 - d. Hazardous Materials Risk
 - e. Technical Rescue Risk
 - f. Transportation Risk
 - g. Flood Risk

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Table 7 summarizes the Department’s overall risk by hazard and risk zone.

Table 7—Overall Risk Summary by Risk Zone

Risk Zone	RISK						
	Building Fire	Wildland Fire	EMS	Hazardous Material	Technical Rescue	Transportation	Flood
84A	Low	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
84B	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
84C	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
84D	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
84E	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
84F	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
84G	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
84H	Low	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
85A	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
85B	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
85C	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
85D	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
86A	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
86B	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
86C	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
86D	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
86E	Low	High	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
87A	Moderate	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
87B	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
87C	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
87D	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
87E	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
87F	Low	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
91	Moderate	High	Moderate	Low	Low	Low	Low

The following sections will describe the risk analysis process and risk factors used to determine overall risk as shown in Table 7 in more detail.

3.3.3 Community Demographics

Table 8 summarizes key demographic data for El Dorado Hills.⁵

Table 8—El Dorado Hills Demographics

Demographic	2000	2014	Percentage / Percent Change
Population	18,016	43,862	143.46%
Under 5 years	1,281	2,442	5.57%
5-19 years	5,099	10,884	24.81%
20-64 years	10,315	24,724	56.37%
Over 65 years	1,321	5,812	13.25%
Median age	37.6	41.5	10.37%
Housing Units	6,071	14,800	143.78%
Owner-Occupied	5,319	12,209	82.49%
Renter-Occupied	577	2,032	13.73%
Median Household Size	3.06	3.11	1.47%
Median Home Value	\$277,900	\$518,730	86.66%
Birthplace			
U.S.	17,179	37,579	85.68%
Foreign-Born	904	6,283	14.32%
Ethnicity			
White	15,338	34,094	77.73%
Hispanic/Latino	896	3,563	8.12%
Black/African American	139	1,025	2.34%
Asian	740	4,566	10.41%
Other	903	614	1.40%
Education (age 25 and over)			
High School Graduate	1,213	3,694	13.08%
Undergraduate College Degree	3,872	9,703	34.34%
Graduate/Professional Degree	1,991	4,902	17.35%
Employment¹			
Labor Force	N/A	21,400	48.79%
Employment	N/A	20,600	96.26%

¹ California Employment Development Department data (December 2015)
Source: U.S. Census Bureau

⁵ El Dorado Hills Census Designated Place (U.S. Census Bureau)

3.3.4 Growth and Development

Overview

The El Dorado County General Plan⁶ envisions future County growth to include the following:

- ◆ Maintaining and protecting the County’s natural beauty and environmental quality, vegetation, air and water quality, natural landscape features, cultural resource values, and maintaining the rural character and lifestyle while ensuring the economic viability critical to promoting and sustaining community identity.
- ◆ Where appropriate, encouraging clustered development as an option to maintaining the integrity and distinct character of individual communities, while protecting open space and promoting natural resource uses.
- ◆ Making land use decisions in conjunction with comprehensive transportation planning and pursuing economically viable alternative transportation modes, including light rail.
- ◆ Adopting a Circulation Element providing for rural and urban flows that recognize limitations of topography and natural beauty with flexibility of road standards.
- ◆ Promoting a better balance between local jobs and housing by encouraging high technology activities and value added activities tied directly to available resource based industries such as the timber industry, tourism, agriculture, mining, and recreation.
- ◆ Increasing the amount of affordable housing by providing a variety of housing types and encouraging residential projects to reflect affordability in light of the existing local job base and/or infrastructure.
- ◆ Encouraging efforts to locate a four-year college and supporting the ability of elementary, middle, and high schools to keep pace with population growth.
- ◆ Improving and expanding local park and recreational facilities throughout the County.

⁶ 2004 El Dorado County General Plan (July 2004)

Projected Growth

Table 9 summarizes key growth projections for El Dorado Hills.

Table 9—Projected Growth – El Dorado Hills

Growth Factor	2014 ¹	2030 ²	Projected Growth (Units)	Projected Growth (Percentage)
Population	43,862	77,862	34,000	77.52%
Housing Units	14,800	25,750	10,950	73.99%

¹ 2014 data – U.S. Census Bureau

² 2030 projections – El Dorado Hills Fire Department estimate based on proposed residential development projects and median household size (3.11 persons)

Land Use and Future Development

Land uses within the Department include a mix of low, medium, and high-density residential, multi-family residential, rural residential, commercial, light industrial, agriculture, public facilities, recreation, open space, and natural resources.

The Land Use Element of the 2004 El Dorado County General Plan includes the following land use goals:

- ◆ Protection and conservation of existing communities and rural centers
- ◆ Creation of new sustainable communities
- ◆ Curtailment of urban/suburban sprawl
- ◆ Location and intensity of future development consistent with the availability of adequate infrastructure
- ◆ Mixed and balanced uses that promote use of alternate transportation systems.

The General Plan also provides policy direction for specific community regions, including El Dorado Hills, that allow for continued population growth and economic expansion while preserving the character and extent of existing rural centers and urban communities, emphasizing both the natural setting and built design elements which contribute to the quality of life and economic health of the County. The County General Plan includes Specific Plans for the following areas of the Department:

- ◆ Carson Creek
- ◆ Promontory

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- ◆ Valley View
- ◆ El Dorado Hills
- ◆ Town Center West
- ◆ Town Center East
- ◆ Bass Lake Hills
- ◆ Northwest El Dorado Hills

The Plan further provides policy direction for rural centers, including Latrobe, which provides a focus of activity and the provision of goods to the surrounding rural area. Table 10 summarizes prospective key future residential development projects within the Department.⁷

Table 10—Prospective Future Development

Project	Location	Project Area (Acres)	Maximum Residential Units	Potential Residents¹
Bass Lake North	Starbuck Road	90	90	279
Bell Ranch	Morrison Rd. / Holy Trinity Church	113	113	351
Bell Woods	Adjacent to Hollow Oak Subdivision	54	54	168
Blackstone W	Latrobe / Clubview	73	73	227
Blackstone X	Latrobe / Clubview	61	61	189
Blackstone V	Latrobe / Royal Oaks	70	70	217
Carson Creek 1	Carson Crossing	285	285	885
Carson Creek 2	Carson Crossing	634	634	1,969
Carson Creek 3	Carson Crossing	321	321	997
Central El Dorado Hills	N of Hwy. 50 to Station 85	1,000	1,000	3,105
Diamonte Estates	Malcom Dixon Rd.	19	19	59
Dixon Ranch	Green Valley Rd.	605	605	1,879
El Dorado Springs 23	White Rock	49	49	152
Hawk View	Bass Lake Rd. / Hawk View	114	114	354
Lime Rock Valley	SE Marble Valley	800	800	2,484
Marble Valley	South Bass Lake	3,236	3,236	10,048

⁷ Source: El Dorado Hills Fire Department

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Project	Location	Project Area (Acres)	Maximum Residential Units	Potential Residents¹
Promontory Lot D1	Sophia / Alexandria	63	63	196
Promontory Lot H	Beatty / Alexandria	64	64	199
Promontory Village 8	Via Baragio / Via Trevisio	63	63	196
Ridgeview Village 9	Beatty / Powers	49	49	152
Ridgeview West 4	Via Barlogio / Via Trevisio	20	20	62
Saratoga Estates	Wilson / Folsom boundary	316	316	981
Serrano J 5/6	Bass Lake Rd. / Serrano Pkwy.	119	119	369
Serrano K6	Greenview	74	74	230
Serrano K1/K2	Pannini / Da Vinci	43	43	134
Serrano K5	Greenview	151	151	469
Serrano Village A-14	Russi Ranch	55	55	171
Serrano Village C-2	Russi Ranch	50	50	155
Serrano Village D1	Meadow Wood / Boundary Oaks Dr.	65	65	202
Serrano Village J	Serrano / Bass Lake	75	75	233
Serrano Westside	Serrano Parkway	763	763	2,369
Silver Springs	Silver Springs / Green Valley	245	245	761
Springs Equestrian Ctr.	Deer Valley / Green Valley	445	445	1,382
Valley View East Ridge	Above Blackstone	701	701	2,177
West Valley Village W	Blackstone Entrance	37	37	115
Wilson Estates	Malcom Dixon	28	28	87
Total		6,164	10,950	34,000

¹ Assuming U.S. Census Bureau 2014 Mean Household Size (3.11 persons)
Source: El Dorado Hills Fire Department

3.3.5 Prior Risk Studies

The federal Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (DMA2000), which amended the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Stafford Act), emphasizes the need for state and local entities to closely coordinate disaster planning and mitigation efforts to reduce the severity of disaster impacts. In addition to continuing the requirement for a state mitigation plan as a condition of federal disaster assistance, DMA2000 creates a similar requirement for local entities and creates incentives for increased coordination and integration of mitigation activities among local jurisdictions.

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The 2004 El Dorado County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP) (November 2004) identifies six natural hazards likely to impact the County as shown in Table 11 using the criteria described in Table 12.

Table 11—El Dorado County Hazard Summary

	Hazard	Likelihood	Spatial Extent	Potential Impact	Hazard Rating
1	Avalanche	2	1	1	4
2	Earthquake/Landslide	1	2	1	4
3	Erosion	1	2	1	4
4	Dam Failure	0	1	4	5
5	Flood	2	2	3	7
6	Winter/Seasonal Storms	3	3	2	8

Source: 2004 El Dorado County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan (Page III-21)

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Table 12—Criteria for Qualitative Hazard Assessment

Criteria	Assigned Value	Definition
Likelihood of Occurrence		
Highly Likely	3	Near 100% annual probability
Likely	2	Between 10% and 100% annual probability
Possible	1	Between 1% and 10% annual probability
Unlikely	0	Less than 1% annual probability
Spatial Extent		
Large	3	More than 50% of area affected
Moderate	2	Between 10% and 50% of area affected
Small	1	Less than 10% of area affected
Potential Impact		
Catastrophic	4	High number of deaths/injuries possible; more than 50% of roadways and transportation facilities damaged or destroyed; complete shutdown of facilities for 30 days or more
Critical	3	Multiple deaths/injuries possible; more than 25% of roadways and transportation facilities damaged or destroyed; complete shutdown of facilities for more than one week
Limited	2	Minor injuries only; more than 10% of roadways and transportation facilities damaged or destroyed; complete shutdown of facilities for more than one day
Minor	1	Very few injuries, if any; only minor roadway and transportation facility damage; minimal disruption on quality of life; temporary shutdown of facilities

Source: 2004 El Dorado County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan (Page III-2)

The results from this hybrid qualitative/quantitative analysis resulted in the six natural hazards being assigned to one of three risk categories as shown in Table 13.

Table 13—El Dorado County Hazards by Risk Category

Risk Category	Hazards
HIGH	Floods Winter/Seasonal Storms
MODERATE	Avalanche Dam Failure Earthquake/Landslide Erosion
LOW	None Identified

Source: 2004 El Dorado County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan (Page III-22)

It is important to note that the natural hazards listed above were evaluated specifically to their potential impact on the County’s transportation system. Although not included in the above risk analysis, the MJHMP cites wildland fire as the predominant hazard for El Dorado County.⁸ The MJHMP also includes a Countywide Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) to address the wildland fire risk.

Values at Risk

Significant values at risk within the Department, besides residents and visitors, include a range of buildings and infrastructure such as public facilities, utilities, schools, care facilities, key economic businesses, bridges, and cultural and natural resources. Critical facilities are defined as any facility, including a structure, infrastructure, property, equipment, or service that, if adversely impacted by a hazard occurrence, may result in severe consequences to public health and safety or interrupted essential services and operations for the community at any time before, during, or after the hazard occurrence. The Department has identified 109 critical facilities as shown in Table 14 and Figure 2.

⁸ 2004 El Dorado County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan (Page III-21)

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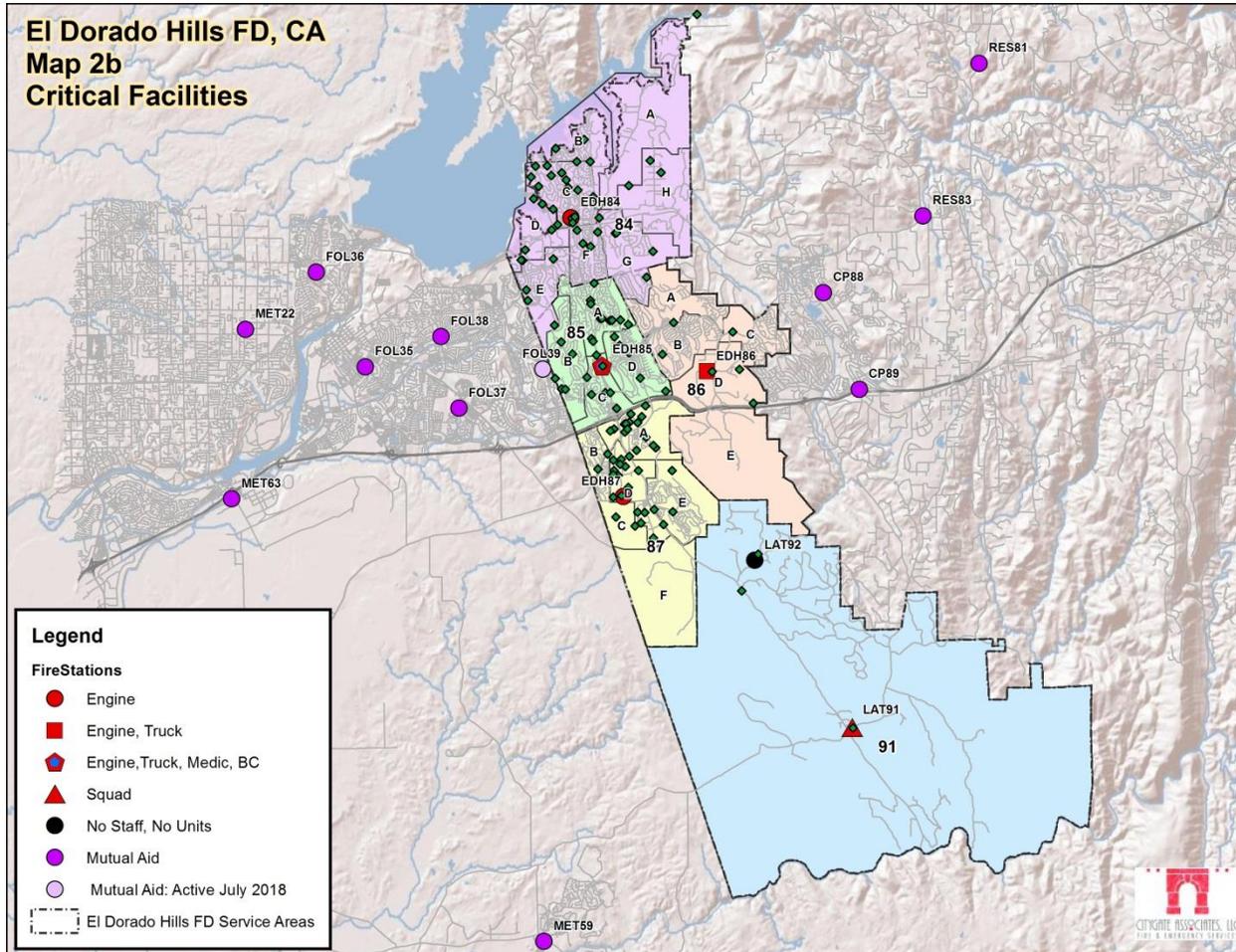
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Table 14—Critical Facilities – El Dorado Hills

Critical Facility Category	Type of Facility	Number
Critical Infrastructure	Fire Station	6
	Sheriff's Dept. Sub-Station	1
	Other Government Services	3
	Lifeline Utilities	40
	Educational Facilities	25
	Bridges	2
Key Resources	Key Employers	16
	Churches, Places of Worship	8
	Multi-Family Residential	7
	Historic Buildings	1
Total		109

Source: El Dorado Hills Fire Department

Figure 2—Critical Facilities



3.3.6 Hazard Identification

Citygate utilizes prior risk studies where available, fire and non-fire hazards as identified by the Commission on Fire Accreditation International (CFAI), and agency/jurisdiction-specific data and information to identify the hazards to be evaluated for this study.

The primary hazards identified in the 2004 El Dorado County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan, as they relate to Department services, include:

1. Earthquake
2. Floods
3. Landslide
4. Severe Seasonal Storms

5. Wildland Fire

Due to the lack of historical occurrence in or proximal to the Department, combined with a low probability of future occurrence, landslide risk and significant earthquake risk are not included in this analysis. The primary impact of severe seasonal storms as it relates to Department services is technical rescue and flooding.

Figure 3 additionally summarizes the fire and non-fire hazards established by CFAI.

Figure 3—CFAI Fire and Non-Fire Hazards

Fire	EMS	Hazardous Materials	Technical Rescue	Disasters
One and Two Family Residential Structures	Medical Emergencies	Transportation	Confined Space	Natural
Multi-Family Structures	Motor Vehicle Accidents		Swift-Water Rescue	
Commercial Structures		Other	Fixed Facilities	High and Low Angle
Mobile Property	Structural Collapse and Trench Rescue			
Wildland				

Source: CFAIS Standards of Cover (5th Edition)

The following risks were evaluated for this study based on the hazards identified in the 2004 El Dorado County Multi-Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan, and the fire and non-fire hazards identified by CFAI as they relate to services provided by the El Dorado Hills Fire Protection Department:

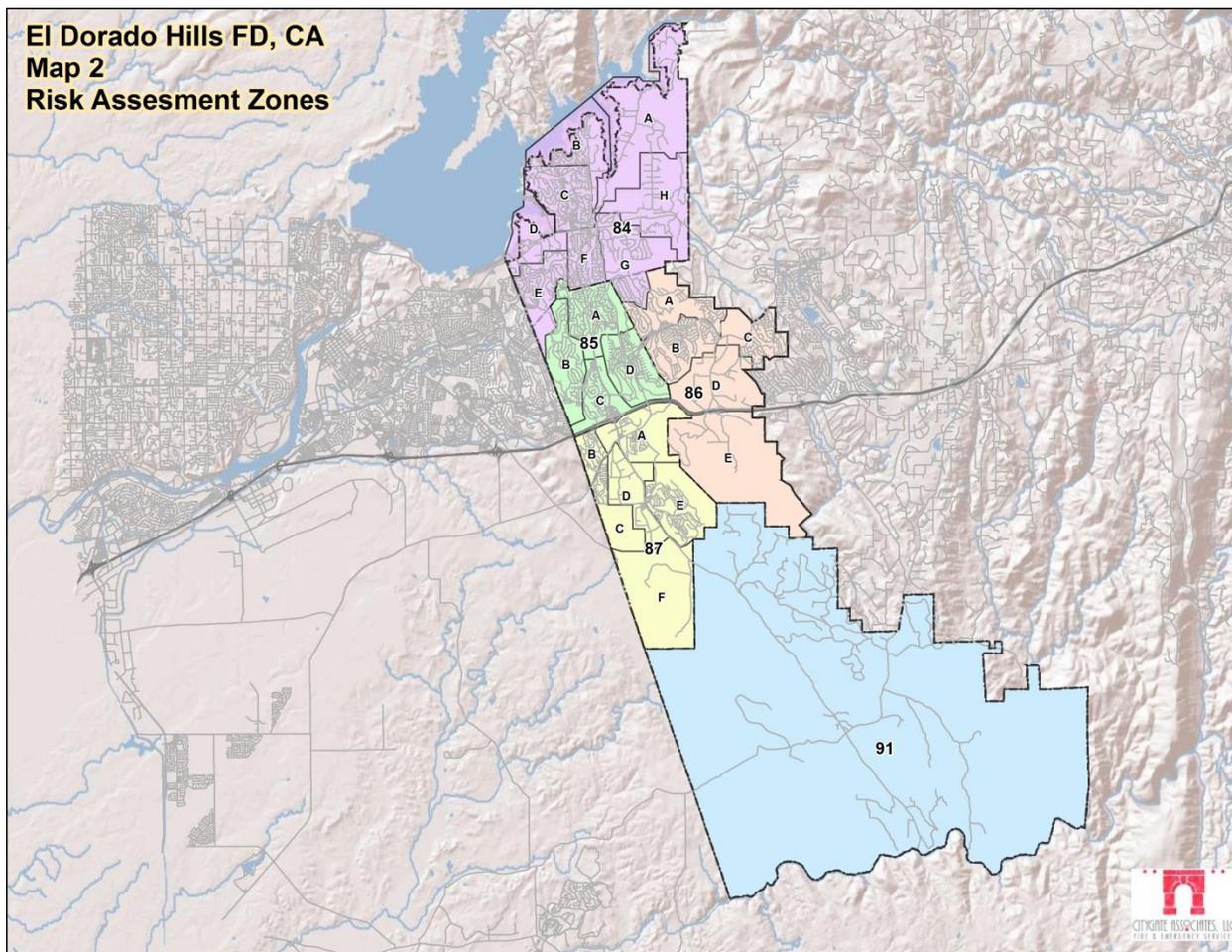
1. Building Fire Risk
2. Wildland Fire Risk
3. Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Risk

4. Hazardous Materials Risk
5. Technical Rescue Risk
6. Transportation Risk
7. Flood Risk

3.3.7 Risk Assessment Zones

In collaboration with the Department’s Project Team, 24 risk assessment zones were identified for this analysis as shown in Figure 4.

Figure 4—Risk Assessment Zones



3.3.8 Probability of Occurrence

Probability of occurrence refers to the likely future occurrence of a hazard or risk over a specific time period. Since the CFAI Agency Accreditation process requires *annual* review of an agency’s

risk assessment and baseline performance measures, Citygate recommends using the 12-month period following completion of an SOC study as an appropriate period for the probability of occurrence evaluation. Table 15 describes the criteria used in evaluating the probability of future occurrence for each hazard or risk as also discussed in Section 3.3.1.

Table 15—Probability of Occurrence

Probability of Occurrence	Description
Very Low	Less than 5% probability of occurrence within next 12 months
Low	5%-10% probability of occurrence within next 12 months
Moderate	11%-50% probability of occurrence within next 12 months
High	51%-95% probability of occurrence within next 12 months
Very High	Greater than 95% probability of occurrence within next 12 months

3.3.9 Risk Factors

Elements to be considered in a community risk assessment include factors that influence service demand, service capacity, probability of hazard occurrence, and severity of impacts or consequences of a hazard occurrence relative to life, property, the environment, and overall community resilience.

In conducting a community risk assessment, Citygate examines prior risk studies, community demographics including current and projected population, land use, future development potential, employment, and building occupancy data as available, prior service demand data, and risk-specific service capacity.

3.3.10 Service Capacity

Service capacity refers to the size of an agency’s daily response force; the size, types, and condition of its response fleet and any specialized equipment; core and specialized performance competencies; resource distribution and concentration; availability of automatic and/or mutual aid; and any other agency-specific factors influencing its ability to meet current and prospective future service demand relative to the risks to be protected.

3.3.11 Building Fire Risk

One of the primary hazards in any community is building fire. Citygate used available data from the Department, El Dorado County, the U.S. Census Bureau, and the Insurance Services Office (ISO) to assist in identifying and quantifying the Department’s building fire risk.

Building Risk Categories

CFAI identifies five building risk categories as follows:

Low Risk Occupancies – includes detached garages, storage sheds, outbuildings, and similar buildings that pose a relatively low risk of harm to humans or the community if damaged or destroyed by fire.

Moderate Risk Occupancies – includes detached single-family or two-family dwellings, mobile homes, commercial and industrial buildings less than 10,000 square feet without a high hazard fire load, aircraft, railroad facilities, and similar buildings where loss of life or property damage is limited to the single building.

High Risk Occupancies – includes apartment/condominium buildings, commercial and industrial buildings more than 10,000 square feet without a high hazard fire load, low-occupant load buildings with high fuel loading or hazardous materials, and similar occupancies with potential for substantial loss of life or unusual property damage or financial impact.

Special Risk Occupancies – includes single or multiple buildings that require an Effective Response Force (ERF) greater than what is appropriate for the risk which predominates the surrounding area such as apartment/condominium complexes more than 25,000 square feet, Critical Infrastructure/Key Resource (CIKR) facilities, commercial/industrial occupancies with fire flows greater than 3,500 GPM, vacant/abandoned buildings, buildings with required fire flow exceeding available water supply, and similar occupancies with high-life hazard or large fire loss potential.

Maximum Risk Occupancies – includes buildings or facilities with unusually high risk requiring an ERF involving a significant augmentation of resources and personnel, and where a fire would pose the potential for a catastrophic event involving large loss of life and/or significant economic impact to the community.

Building Fire Risk Factors

Table 16 illustrates the probability and consequences for each of the building fire risk categories. *Probability* is the likelihood of a fire occurring in a particular occupancy type, and *consequences* are the probable adverse impacts that the fire will have on people, property, and the community.

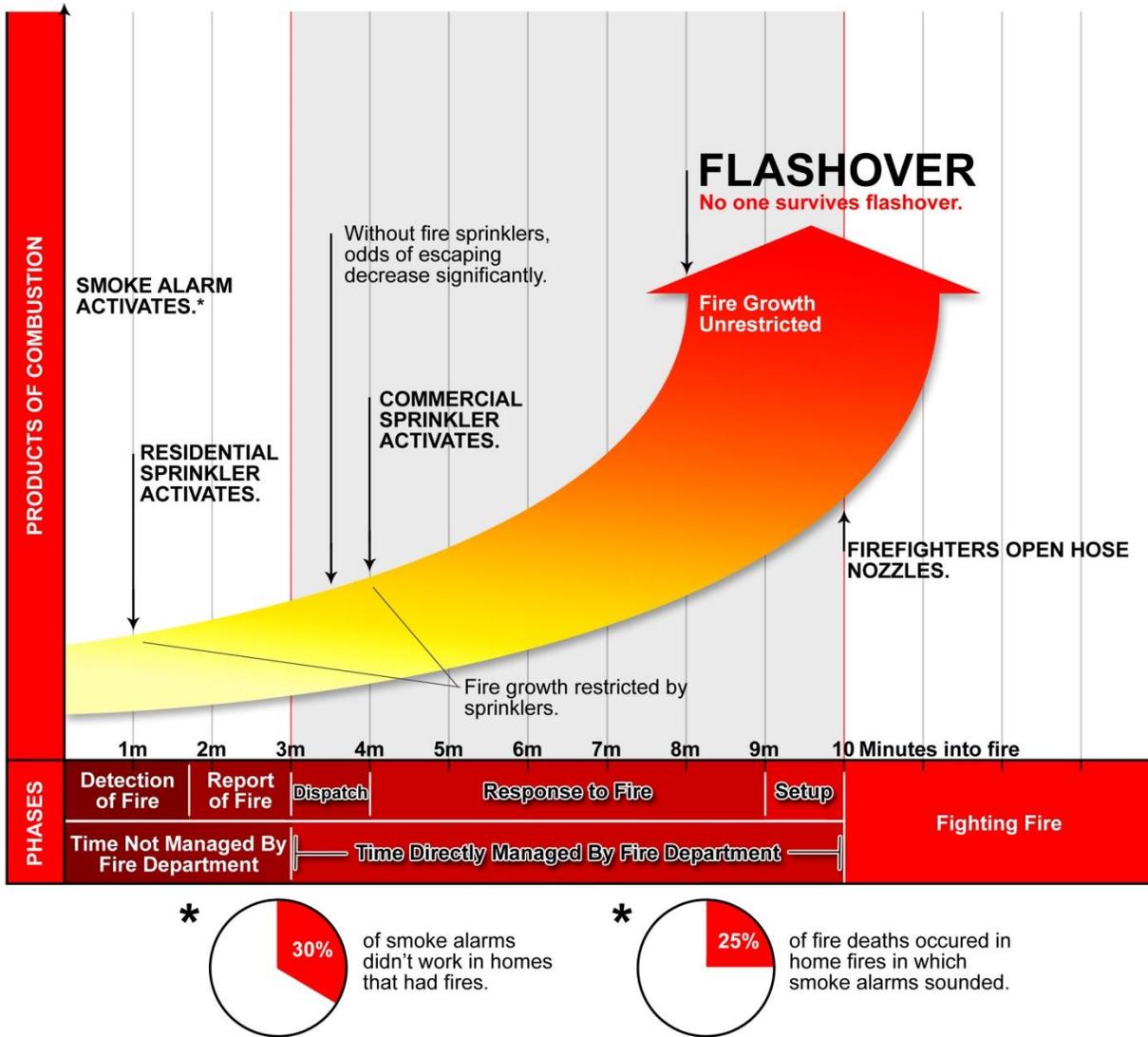
Table 16—Building Fire Probability/Consequence Matrix

	Low Consequence	High Consequence
High Probability	Moderate Risk (<i>High</i> Probability) (<i>Low</i> Consequence)	Maximum Risk (<i>High</i> Probability) (<i>High</i> Consequence)
Low Probability	Low Risk (<i>Low</i> Probability) (<i>Low</i> Consequence)	High/Special Risk (<i>Low</i> Probability) (<i>High</i> Consequence)

Resource deployment (distribution/concentration), staffing, and response time are three critical factors influencing favorable outcomes for building fire risk. Figure 5 illustrates the progression timeline of a building fire, and shows that a response time⁹ of 7 minutes or less is necessary to stop a building fire before it reaches flashover, which is the point at which the entire room erupts into fire after all of the combustible objects in that room have reached their ignition temperature. Human survival in a room after flashover is extremely unlikely.

⁹Time interval from time of receipt of 9-1-1 call to initiation of suppression actions

Figure 5—Building Fire Progression Timeline



Source: <http://www.firesprinklerassoc.org>

Building Inventory

The Department has a mix of building occupancies typical of a suburban/rural community. Table 17 summarizes the Department’s inventory of higher risk use categories, as defined by CFAI.¹⁰

¹⁰ High, special, and maximum risk categories only

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Table 17—Building Inventory by Occupancy Classification and Risk Category

Occupancy Classification		Number	Risk Category¹
Assembly	A-1 Theater	2	Maximum
	A-2 Bar/Restaurant	47	High
	A-3 Public Assembly	37	High
	A-4 Indoor Sports	1	Maximum
	A-5 Outdoor	1	High
Education	Schools, Day Care	36	High
Factory	F-1 Moderate Risk	13	High
	F-2 Low Risk	6	High
Hazardous	H-3 High Hazard	3	Special
	H-4 Health Hazard	1	Special
Residential	R-1 Hotel/Motel	2	High
	R-2 Multi-Family	57	High
	R-2.1 Assisted Living	5	High
	R-3 Day Care ≤ 6	22	High
	R-3.1 Group Care ≤ 6	22	High
	R-4 Care Facility > 6	1	High
Total		256	

¹ CFAI high, special, and maximum risk categories
Source: El Dorado Hills Fire Department

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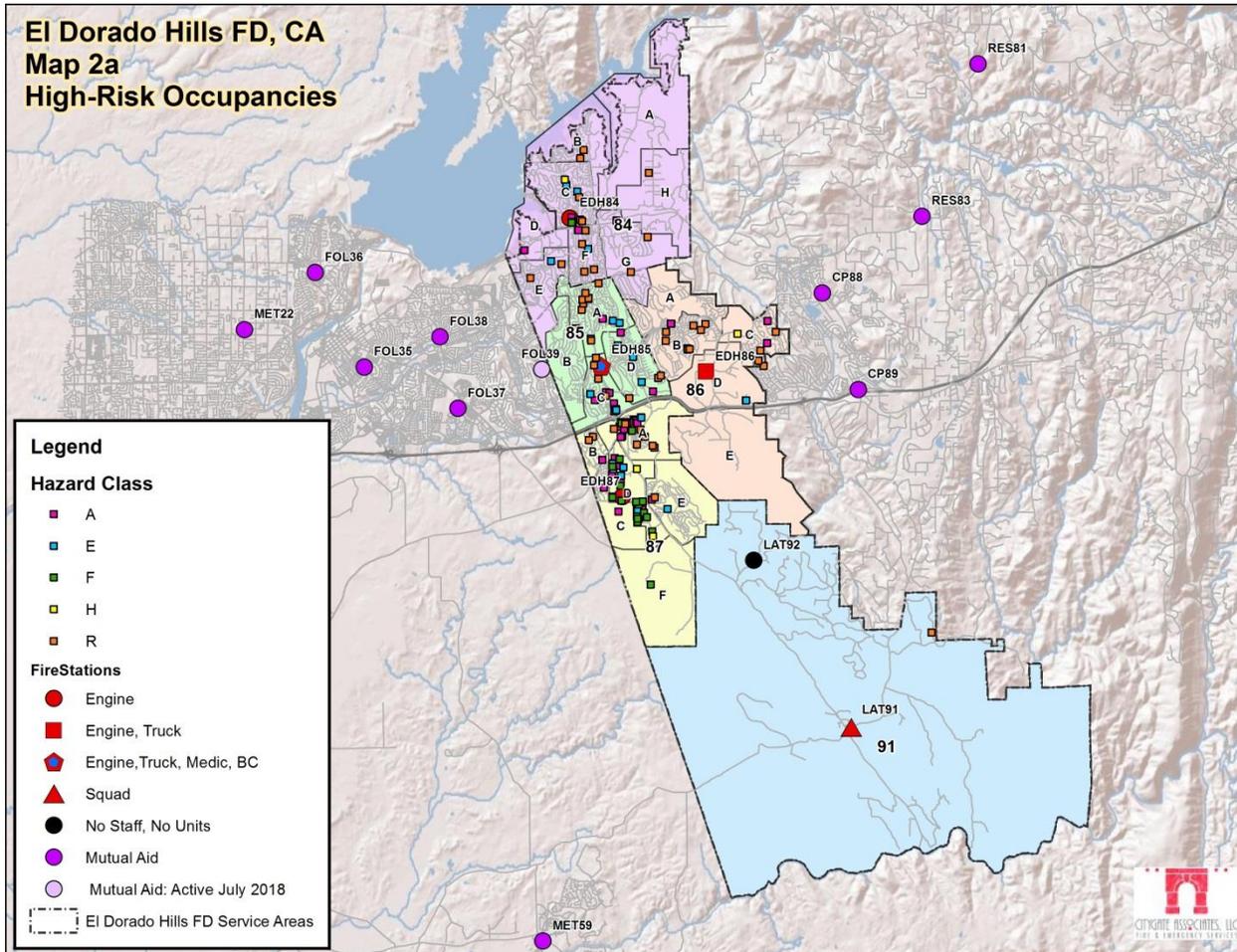
Table 18 further summarizes the Department’s high-risk building inventory by risk zone.

Table 18—High Risk Building Inventory by Risk Zone

Risk Zone	Number	Percentage of Total
84-A	0	0.00%
84-B	2	0.78%
84-C	20	7.81%
84-D	1	0.39%
84-E	3	1.17%
84-F	13	5.08%
84-G	3	1.17%
84-H	1	0.39%
85-A	22	8.59%
85-B	0	0.00%
85-C	33	12.89%
85-D	9	3.52%
86-A	0	0.00%
86-B	10	3.91%
86-C	7	2.73%
86-D	3	1.17%
86-E	0	0.00%
87-A	79	30.86%
87-B	3	1.17%
87-C	2	0.78%
87-D	40	15.63%
87-E	3	1.17%
87-F	1	0.39%
91	1	0.39%
Total	256	100.00%

Figure 6 illustrates the distribution of the high-risk building occupancies.

Figure 6—High Risk Occupancies



High Fire Flow Requirements

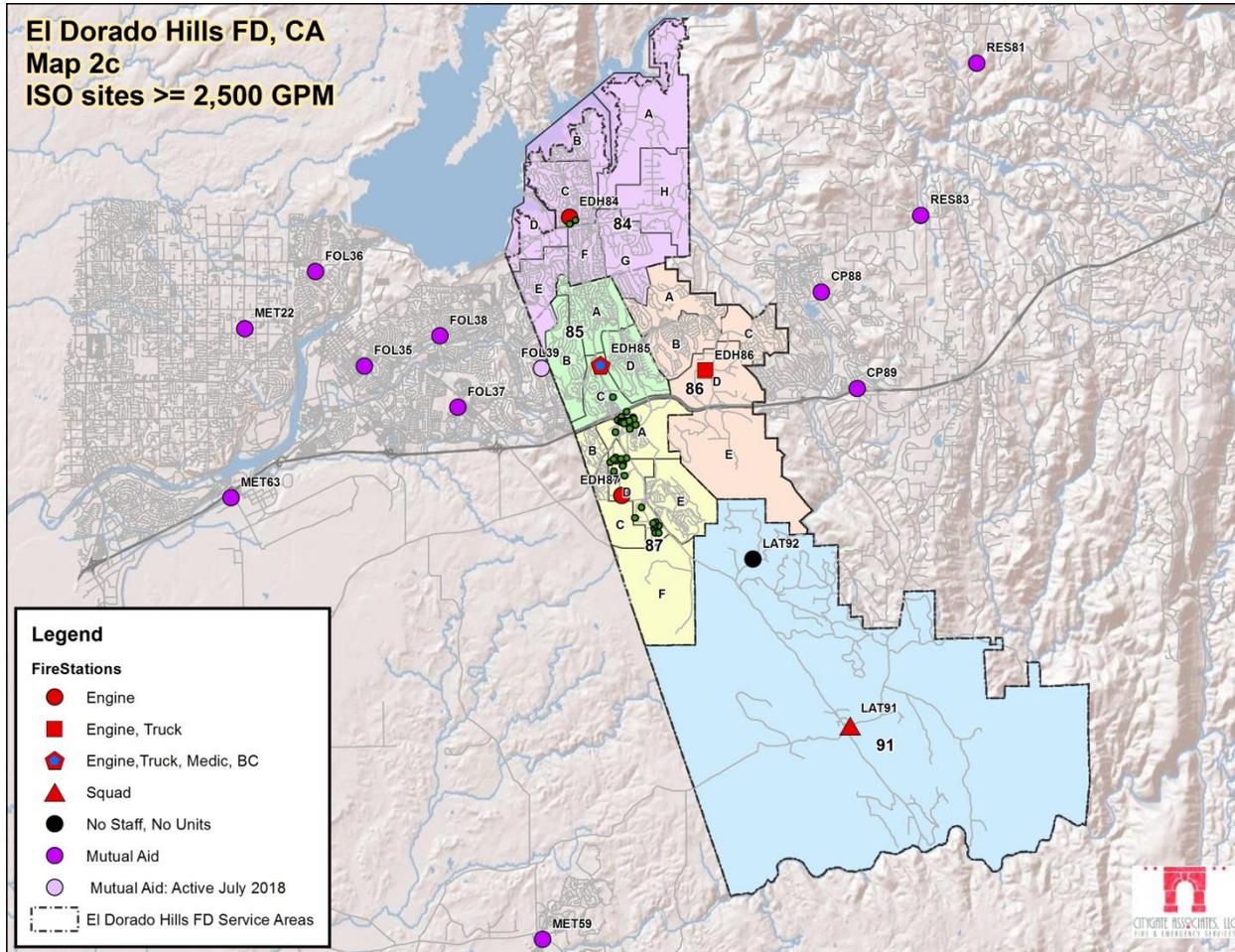
One of the factors used by the ISO is “Needed Fire Flow” (NFF), which is the amount of water that would be required in gallons-per-minute (GPM) if a building were seriously involved in fire. For El Dorado Hills, the ISO database identifies 172 buildings evaluated, of which 32 have a needed fire flow of less than 1,500 GPM, 49 have a needed fire flow of 1,500-2,000 GPM, 73 have a needed fire flow of 2,000-3,000 GPM, and 18 have a needed fire flow of more than 3,000 GPM. Table 19 and Figure 7 show the distribution of sites with a NFF of 2,500 GPM or more.

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Table 19—High NFF Sites by Risk Zone

Risk Zone	Number	Percentage of Total
84-A	0	0.00%
84-B	0	0.00%
84-C	4	6.15%
84-D	0	0.00%
84-E	0	0.00%
84-F	1	1.54%
84-G	0	0.00%
84-H	0	0.00%
85-A	0	0.00%
85-B	0	0.00%
85-C	3	4.62%
85-D	0	0.00%
86-A	0	0.00%
86-B	0	0.00%
86-C	0	0.00%
86-D	0	0.00%
86-E	0	0.00%
87-A	19	29.23%
87-B	0	0.00%
87-C	0	0.00%
87-D	38	58.46%
87-E	0	0.00%
87-F	0	0.00%
91	0	0.00%
Total	65	100.00%

Figure 7—ISO High Fire Flow Sites



This is a significant amount of firefighting water to deploy, and a major fire at any one of these buildings would require a significant commitment of the Department’s on-duty force. Using a generally accepted figure of 50 GPM per firefighter on large building fires, a fire in a building requiring 2,000 GPM would require 40 firefighters, which is more than the Department’s current initial ERF of 23 firefighters for structure fires.

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Critical Facilities

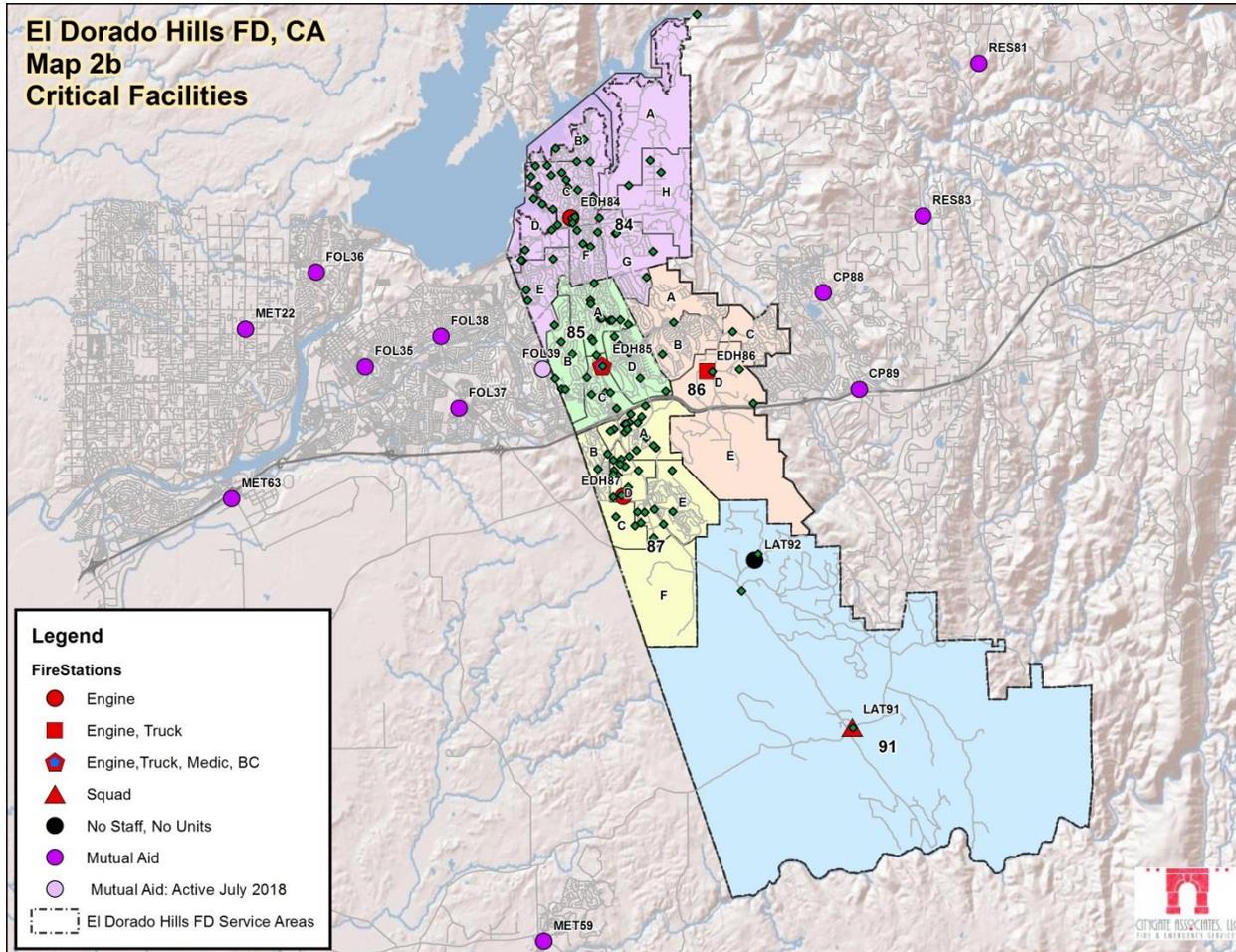
The Department identifies 127 critical facilities¹¹ as shown in Table 20 and Figure 8.

Table 20—Critical Facilities

Risk Zone	Number	Percentage of Total
84-A	0	0.00%
84-B	3	2.36%
84-C	19	14.96%
84-D	5	3.94%
84-E	5	3.94%
84-F	4	3.15%
84-G	5	3.94%
84-H	3	2.36%
85-A	14	11.02%
85-B	5	3.94%
85-C	6	4.72%
85-D	5	3.94%
86-A	1	0.79%
86-B	1	0.79%
86-C	1	0.79%
86-D	4	3.15%
86-E	0	0.00%
87-A	18	14.17%
87-B	1	0.79%
87-C	2	1.57%
87-D	17	13.39%
87-E	4	3.15%
87-F	0	0.00%
91	4	3.15%
Total	127	100.00%

¹¹ Essential public services and at-risk populations

Figure 8—Critical Facilities



Water Supply

A reliable public water system providing adequate volume, pressure, and flow duration in close proximity to all buildings is a critical factor influencing a community’s building fire impact severity. The El Dorado Irrigation District provides potable water to a large area on the western slope of El Dorado County, including the El Dorado Hills Fire Department. Fire flow is generally adequate throughout the core population center of the Department, with the following exceptions:

1. Marble Mountain Community Services District (CSD) area south of U.S. 50
2. Salmon Falls Road north of Green Valley Road
3. Most of the former Latrobe Fire District south of Royal Oaks Drive

Fire flow outside of the core population areas of the Department is mostly inadequate, with few to no fire hydrants.

Building Fire Service Capacity

The Department’s service capacity for building fire risk consists of a minimum daily on-duty response force of 19 personnel staffing six apparatus from five fire stations and two Battalion Chief. In addition, the Department has automatic aid agreements with the City of Folsom, the Cameron Park CSD, as well as the Rescue Fire District and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District, and is also a signatory to the El Dorado County Mutual Aid Agreement. The Department’s Effective Response Force (ERF)¹² for building fires using Department and automatic aid is 5 engines, 1 ladder truck, 1 ambulance unit, and 2 Battalion Chiefs (23 total personnel).

Building Fire Service Demand

Over the past three years, there were a total of 55 building fires within the Department, comprising 0.83% of total service demand over the same time period, and resulting in estimated property damage/loss of \$4.4 million. Of those 55 building fire incidents, 11 (20%) resulted in an ERF arriving at the incident from the initial dispatch. Table 21 summarizes the Department’s building fire service demand by risk zone.

¹² ERF = First Alarm Assignment

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Table 21—Building Fire Service Demand

Risk Zone	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Total
84-A	3		1	4
84-B				0
84-C		3	3	6
84-D				0
84-E				0
84-F			1	1
84-G			1	1
84-H		1		1
85-A	4	2	8	14
85-B		4	2	6
85-C			2	2
85-D		1		1
86-A	2	1	1	4
86-B				0
86-C		2		2
86-D				0
86-E			1	1
87-A	5	3	2	10
87-B				0
87-C				0
87-D				0
87-E			1	1
87-F				0
91			1	1
Total	14	17	24	55
Percent of Total Service Demand	0.21%	0.26%	0.36%	0.83%

Source: El Dorado Hills Fire Department incident records

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Table 22 summarizes Citygate’s analysis of the Department’s building fire risk.

Table 22—Building Fire Risk Analysis Summary

Risk Zone	Probability of Occurrence	Impact Severity Factors					Risk Factors Score	Overall Risk Score	Risk Rating
		Building Density	High-Risk Occupancies & Critical Facilities ^{1,2}	Fire Protection Systems ³	Water Supply	Service Capacity			
84-A	2	1	1	5	5	3	15	30	Low
84-B	2	2	1	5	4	2	14	28	Low
84-C	3	2	2	3	4	1	12	36	Moderate
84-D	2	2	1	4	4	1	12	24	Low
84-E	2	2	1	4	3	1	11	22	Low
84-F	2	2	1	4	3	2	12	24	Low
84-G	2	2	1	5	4	2	14	28	Low
84-H	2	1	1	5	5	2	14	28	Low
85-A	4	3	2	2	2	2	11	44	Moderate
85-B	3	3	1	2	2	2	10	30	Low
85-C	2	3	2	2	2	1	10	20	Low
85-D	2	3	1	2	2	1	9	18	Low
86-A	3	2	1	2	2	2	9	27	Low
86-B	2	2	1	2	2	2	9	18	Low
86-C	2	2	1	2	3	2	10	20	Low
86-D	2	1	1	4	4	2	12	24	Low
86-E	2	1	1	5	5	2	14	28	Low
87-A	4	3	4	1	1	1	10	40	Moderate
87-B	2	2	1	1	1	2	7	14	Low
87-C	2	3	1	1	1	2	8	16	Low
87-D	2	2	4	1	1	2	10	20	Low
87-E	2	3	1	1	1	2	8	16	Low
87-F	2	1	1	5	5	2	14	28	Low
91	2	1	1	5	5	4	16	32	Moderate

¹ Percentage of all buildings designated as CFAI high, special, or maximum risk

² Percentage of all buildings designated as critical facilities

³ Percentage of high-risk occupancies and critical facilities protected by automatic fire sprinkler/alarm system

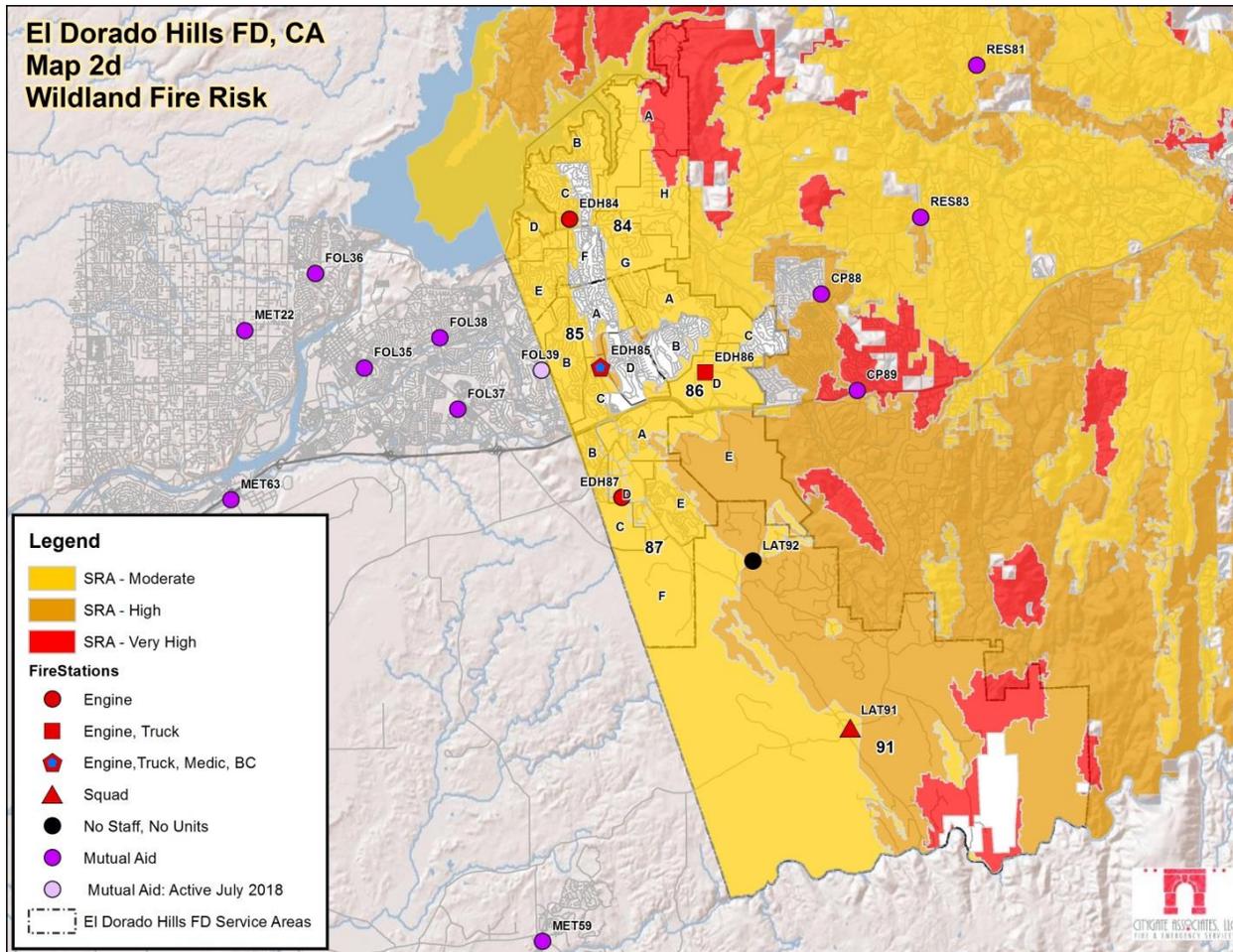
As Table 22 illustrates, the Department’s building fire risk is **Low** across most risk zones reflecting a low probability of occurrence with lower building densities, low percentage of high-risk occupancies and critical facilities, moderate to high percentage of high-risk occupancies and critical facilities protected by automatic fire protection systems, and good water supply and building fire risk service capacity. Risk zones 84-C, 85-A, 87-A, and 91 have a **Moderate** building fire risk reflecting a higher probability of occurrence and/or higher building densities, lower percentage of high-risk occupancies and/or critical facilities with automatic fire protection systems, poor water supply, and reduced building fire risk service capacity.

3.3.12 Wildland Fire Risk

Fire Hazard Severity Zones

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) designates *Moderate*, *High*, and *Very High* wildland Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZ) throughout the state based on analysis of multiple wildland fire hazard factors and modeling of potential wildland fire behavior for State Responsibility Areas (SRA) where CAL FIRE has fiscal responsibility for wildland fire protection. CAL FIRE also identifies recommended *Moderate*, *High*, and *Very High* FHSZs for Local Responsibility Areas (LRA) where a local jurisdiction bears the fiscal responsibility for wildland fire protection, including cities. Most of the Department lies within a designated ***Moderate***, ***High***, or ***Very High*** wildland fire hazard severity zone as shown in Figure 9.

Figure 9—Wildland Fire Hazard Severity Zones



Wildland Fire Risk Factors

Wildland fire behavior is predominantly influenced by fuel, weather, and topography. Wildland fuels within the Department consist of a mix of annual grasses and weeds, brush, and deciduous and evergreen trees. Once ignited, wildland fires can burn intensely and contribute to rapid fire spread under the right fuel, weather, and topographic conditions.

Wildland fuel factors influencing fire intensity and spread include fuel type (vegetation species), height, arrangement, density, and fuel moisture. Weather elements such as temperature, relative humidity, wind, and lightning also affect wildland fire potential and behavior. High temperatures and low relative humidity dry out wildland fuels creating a situation where fuel will more readily ignite and burn more intensely. Wind is the most significant weather factor influencing wildland fire behavior; higher wind speeds increase fire spread and intensity. The annual wildland fire season in El Dorado County, when wildland fires are most likely to occur due to fuel and weather

conditions, is generally from late spring through fall due to a predominant climate pattern of low annual rainfall, hot and dry summers, and moderate winds. Wildland fire risk during drought conditions is even greater. The Department’s varied topography, from flat to relatively steep, also has an influence on wildland fire behavior and spread.

Another significant wildland fire risk factor is the availability of an adequate water supply immediately available for suppression in wildland fire-prone or high-risk areas.

Wildland Fire History

El Dorado County has a history of significant wildland fires, including over 100 fires that burned more than 300 acres over the past 65 years. Despite significant wildland fuels throughout most of the Department, there have been relatively few significant wildland fires in recent years.

Wildland Fire Service Capacity

The Department’s Response Plan for vegetation/wildland fires includes 2-4 engines,¹³ 1-3 water tenders, one ambulance, and two Battalion Chief. In addition, the CAL FIRE response includes 2-8 engines,¹⁴ one Air Attack, two Air Tankers, 1-3 helicopters, 1-2 bulldozers, 1-4 hand crews, and two Battalion Chief. The Department also has automatic aid or mutual aid agreements with adjacent fire agencies, and is a signatory to the El Dorado County Mutual Aid Agreement.

Wildland Fire Service Demand

Over the most recent 3-year period evaluated by Citygate for this study, there were a total of 65 vegetation-related fires comprising 0.98% of total service demand over the same time period as shown in Table 23.

¹³ Dependent on daily wildland Fire Danger Rating: Low = 2 engines; Moderate = 3 engines; High/Extreme = 4 engines

¹⁴ Dependent on daily wildland Fire Danger Rating

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Table 23—Wildland Fire Service Demand

Risk Zone	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Total
84-A	8	0	1	9
84-B		2		2
84-C		1	1	2
84-D		1		1
84-E			2	2
84-F				0
84-G			3	3
84-H			2	2
85-A	2	4	1	7
85-B		4	1	5
85-C		2		2
85-D			1	1
86-A	4	2		6
86-B		4		4
86-C				0
86-D		1	2	3
86-E		5	1	6
87-A	2			2
87-B				0
87-C			1	1
87-D		2		2
87-E				0
87-F		1		1
91		1	3	4
Total	16	30	19	65
Percent of Total Service Demand	0.24%	0.45%	0.29%	0.98%

Source: El Dorado Hills Fire Department incident records

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Wildland Fire Risk Analysis

Table 24 summarizes Citygate’s analysis of the Department’s wildland fire risk based on evaluation of five wildland impact severity factors for each risk assessment zone (see Appendix A).

Table 24—Wildland Fire Risk Analysis

Risk Zone	Probability of Occurrence	Impact Severity Factors					Risk Factors Score	Overall Risk Score	Risk Rating
		Wildland Fuels	Weather	Topography	Water Supply	Service Capacity			
84-A	4	5	4	4	5	2	20	80	High
84-B	3	4	4	3	1	2	14	42	Moderate
84-C	3	4	4	3	1	2	14	42	Moderate
84-D	3	4	4	3	1	2	14	42	Moderate
84-E	3	4	4	3	1	2	14	42	Moderate
84-F	3	3	4	3	1	2	13	39	Moderate
84-G	3	4	4	3	1	2	14	42	Moderate
84-H	4	4	4	4	4	2	18	72	High
85-A	3	3	4	2	1	2	12	36	Moderate
85-B	3	4	4	2	1	2	13	39	Moderate
85-C	3	4	4	2	1	2	13	39	Moderate
85-D	3	3	4	2	1	2	12	36	Moderate
86-A	3	4	4	2	1	2	13	39	Moderate
86-B	3	3	4	2	1	2	12	36	Moderate
86-C	3	4	4	2	1	2	13	39	Moderate
86-D	3	4	4	2	1	2	13	39	Moderate
86-E	4	4	4	3	5	2	18	72	High
87-A	3	4	4	2	1	2	13	39	Moderate
87-B	3	3	4	1	1	2	11	33	Moderate
87-C	3	4	4	1	1	2	12	36	Moderate
87-D	3	4	4	1	1	2	12	36	Moderate
87-E	3	5	4	2	1	2	14	42	Moderate
87-F	3	5	4	1	1	2	13	39	Moderate
91	4	5	4	2	5	2	18	72	High

As Table 24 shows, the Department’s wildland fire risk is *Moderate* across most risk zones reflecting a moderate probability of occurrence in combination with low to moderate impact severity factor scores. Risk zones 84-A, 84-H, 86-E, and 91 have a *High* wildland fire risk reflecting a higher probability of occurrence and higher fuels, topography, and water supply impact severity scores.

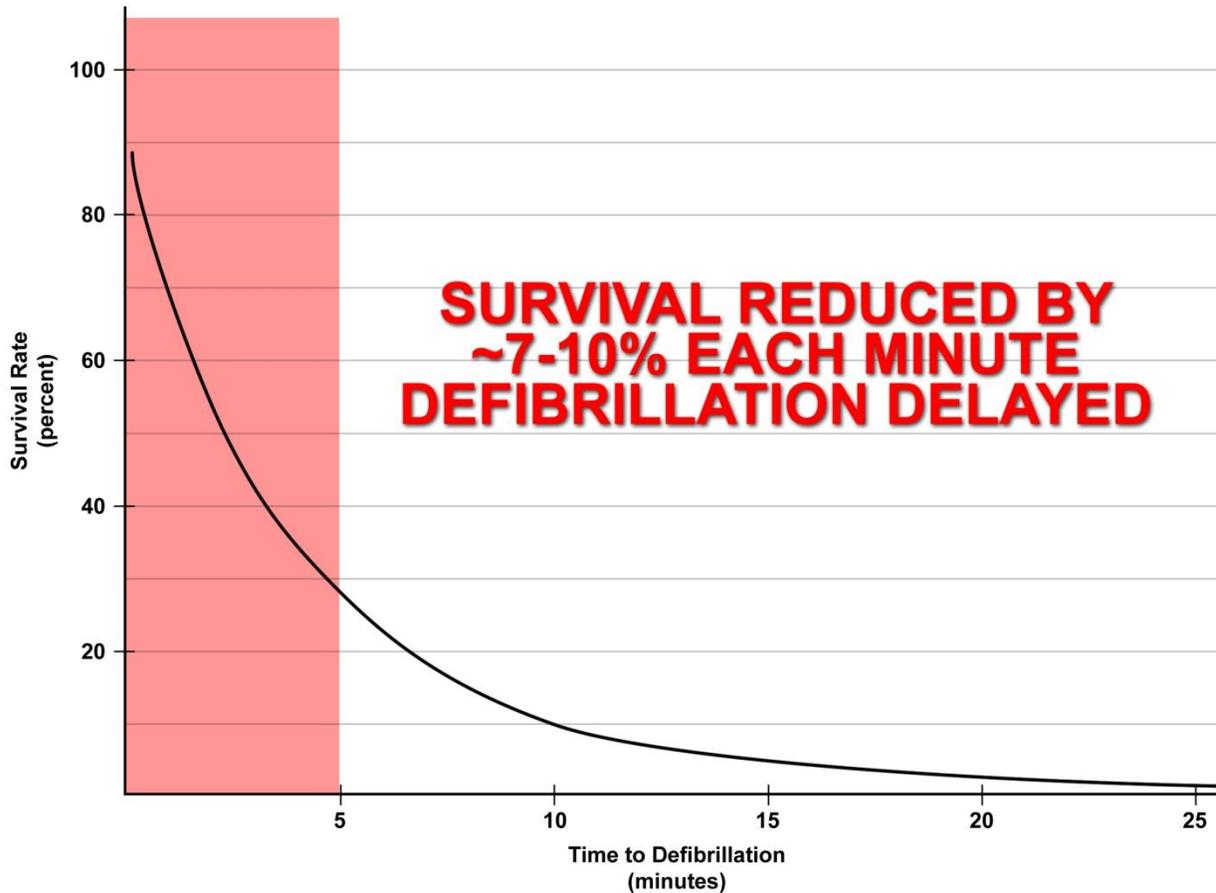
3.3.13 Emergency Medical Services Risk

EMS Risk Factors

Emergency medical services (EMS) risk in most communities is predominantly a function of population density, demographics, vehicle traffic, violence, and health insurance coverage. Relative to population demographics, EMS risk tends to be higher among poorer, older, less educated, and uninsured populations. As would be expected, EMS risk is also higher in communities or segments of communities with higher rates of violence. EMS risk is also higher in those areas of a community with high vehicle traffic loads, particularly those areas with high traffic volume travelling at higher speeds.

EMS risk can also be categorized as either a medical emergency resulting from a health-related condition or event, or a traumatic injury. One serious medical emergency is cardiac arrest or some other emergency where there is an interruption or blockage of oxygen to the brain. Figure 10 illustrates the reduced survivability of a cardiac arrest victim as time to defibrillation increases. While early defibrillation is one factor in cardiac arrest survivability, other factors such as early CPR and pre-hospital Advanced Life Support (ALS) interventions can influence survivability as well.

Figure 10—Survival Rate vs. Time of Defibrillation

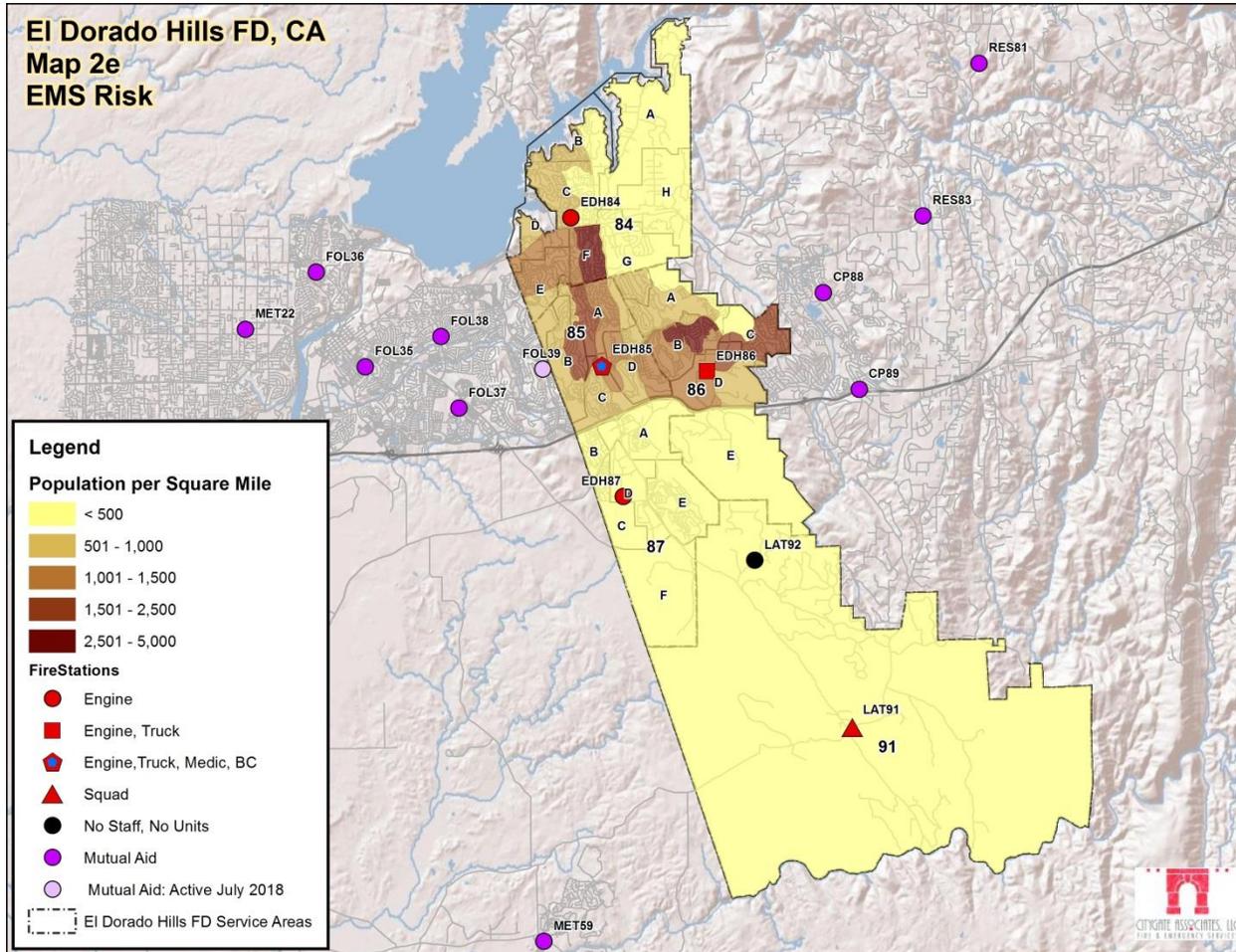


Source: www.suddencardiacarrest.org

Population Demographics

Figure 11 shows the Department’s population density in 500 persons per square mile increments. Population density is a primary risk factor affecting EMS demand. As Figure 11 illustrates, higher EMS demand would be expected in the darker shaded areas of the Department.

Figure 11—Population Density



Of the Department’s total population, 6.1%¹⁵ is under 5 years of age and 18.2% is 65 and older. Only 4.8% of individuals 18 years of age and older, and 3.5% of families, have income below the federal poverty level. In addition, 96% of Department residents have health insurance coverage.¹¹ Also contributing to the Department’s EMS risk is U.S. 50, carrying more than 90,000 vehicles daily, including 8,600 per hour at peak volume.¹⁶

EMS Risk Service Capacity

The Department’s service capacity for EMS risk consists of a minimum daily on-duty response force of 19 personnel staffing six apparatus from five fire stations and two Battalion Chief. The

¹⁵ U.S. Census Bureau, 2010-2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

¹⁶ Source: California Department of Transportation

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Department is also a partner in the El Dorado County Regional Prehospital Emergency Services Operations Authority, a Joint Powers Agency that operates eight Advanced Life Support (ALS) transport ambulances on the west slope of El Dorado County in partnership with five fire agencies, including the Department.¹⁷ In addition, the Department has automatic aid agreements with the City of Folsom, the Cameron Park CSD, as well as Rescue Fire District and Sacramento Metropolitan Fire Protection District, and is also a signatory to the El Dorado County Mutual Aid Agreement.

All calls for medical assistance receive the closest Department unit response in addition to a JPA ALS transport ambulance. All Department response personnel are trained to either the Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) level capable of providing Basic Life Support (BLS) pre-hospital emergency medical care, or Paramedic level capable of providing Advanced Life Support (ALS) pre-hospital emergency medical services. All Department fire apparatus are staffed with a minimum of three personnel except for Truck 85 with four personnel, Patrol 91 with two personnel, and Medic 85 (ambulance) with two personnel, including at least one paramedic on each apparatus. Air ambulance services are available from CalSTAR and REACH Air Medical Services in Sacramento.

EMS Risk Service Demand

Table 25 summarizes the Department’s EMS demand over the previous 3 years, which is 60.37% of total service demand over the same period.

¹⁷ Partner Fire Agencies: El Dorado County FD, El Dorado Hills County Water District Fire Department, Georgetown FPD, Diamond / El Dorado FPD, and Cameron Park / CAL FIRE

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Table 25—EMS Service Demand

Risk Zone	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Total
84-A	356	32	31	419
84-B		25	31	56
84-C		112	128	240
84-D		20	13	33
84-E		34	37	71
84-F		87	85	172
84-G		36	38	74
84-H		24	15	39
85-A	367	168	161	696
85-B		23	31	54
85-C		126	158	284
85-D		80	71	151
86-A	229	35	42	306
86-B		68	94	162
86-C		86	66	152
86-D		33	42	75
86-E		7	8	15
87-A	341	155	134	630
87-B		26	22	48
87-C		60	75	135
87-D		53	56	109
87-E		20	27	47
87-F		1		1
91		3	50	53
Total	1,293	1,314	1,415	4,022
Percent of Total Service Demand	19.41%	19.72%	21.24%	60.37%

Source: El Dorado Hills Fire Department incident records

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EMS Risk Analysis

Table 26 summarizes Citygate’s analysis of the Department’s EMS risk based on evaluation of five impact severity factors for each risk assessment zone (see Appendix A).

Table 26—EMS Risk Analysis

Risk Zone	Probability of Occurrence ¹	Impact Severity Factors					Risk Factors Score	Overall Risk Score	Risk Rating
		Population Density	Demographics	Traffic Volume	Pre-Hospital EMS Capacity	Hospital Emergency Care Capacity			
84-A	3	0	1	0	3	4	8	24	Low
84-B	2	1	1	0	2	3	7	14	Low
84-C	2	1	1	0	1	3	6	12	Low
84-D	2	2	1	0	2	2	7	14	Low
84-E	2	2	1	0	2	2	7	14	Low
84-F	2	3	1	0	1	2	7	14	Low
84-G	2	0	1	0	2	2	5	10	Low
84-H	2	0	1	0	2	3	6	12	Low
85-A	2	2	1	0	2	1	6	12	Low
85-B	2	2	1	0	1	1	5	10	Low
85-C	4	1	1	2	1	1	6	24	Low
85-D	4	2	1	2	1	1	7	28	Low
86-A	2	1	1	0	2	1	5	10	Low
86-B	2	3	1	0	1	1	6	12	Low
86-C	2	3	1	0	2	1	7	14	Low
86-D	4	2	1	2	1	1	7	28	Low
86-E	2	0	1	2	2	1	6	12	Low
87-A	3	0	1	2	1	1	5	15	Low
87-B	2	0	1	2	1	1	5	10	Low
87-C	2	0	2	0	1	1	4	8	Low
87-D	3	0	1	0	1	1	3	9	Low
87-E	2	0	1	0	1	1	3	6	Low
87-F	2	0	1	0	2	3	6	12	Low
91	3	0	1	3	4	4	12	36	Moderate

¹ Mass-casualty incident requiring multiple-alarm resources and/or impacting multiple hospitals

As Table 26 illustrates, the Department’s EMS risk is **Low** across all risk zones except 91, reflecting low to moderate probability of occurrence in combination with low to moderate impact severity risk factors. Risk zone 91 has **Moderate** EMS risk as a result of higher probability and impact severity risk factors due to its relative remoteness.

3.3.14 Hazardous Materials Risk

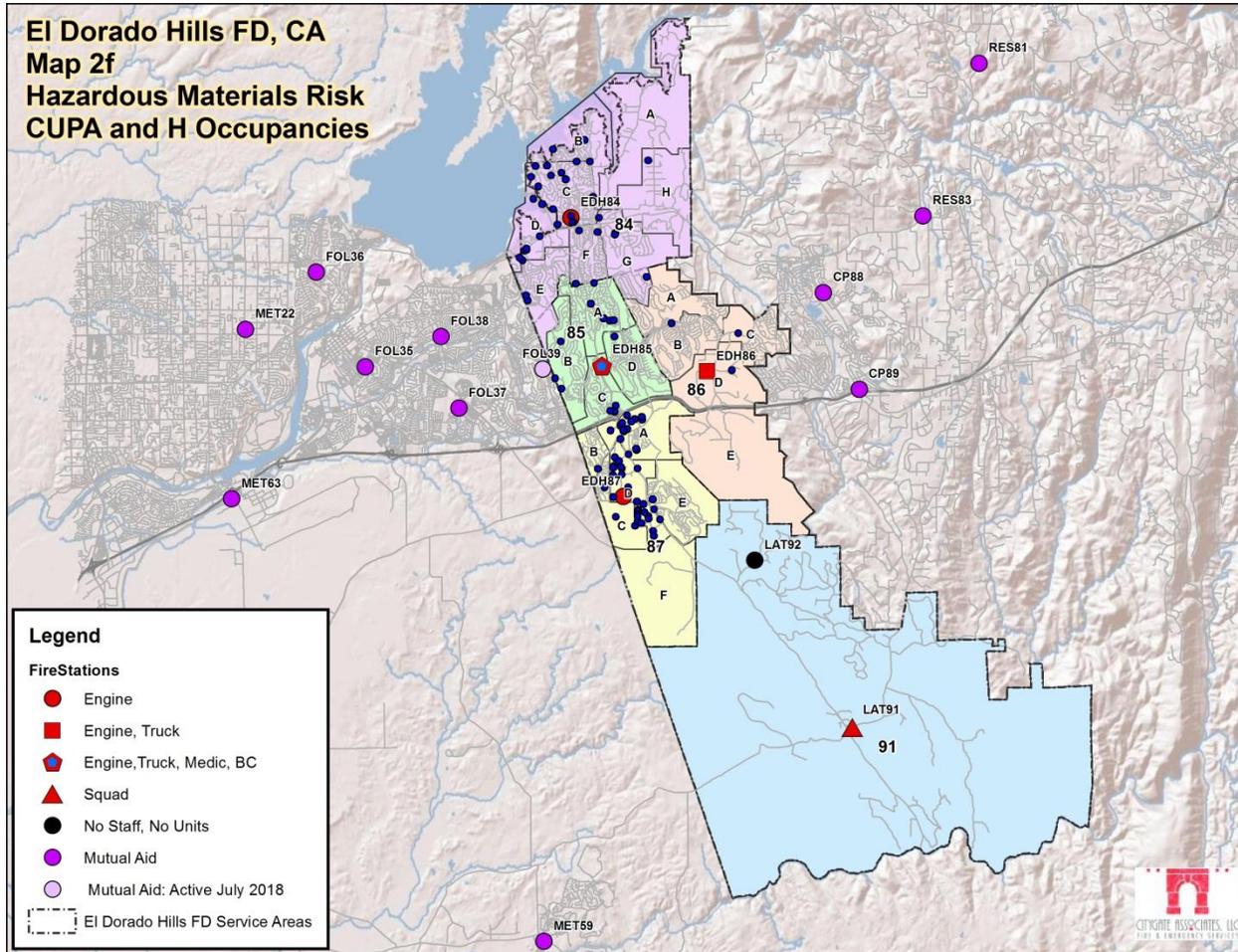
Hazardous Materials Risk Factors

Hazardous material risk factors include fixed facilities that store, use, or produce hazardous chemicals, or produce hazardous waste; underground pipeline(s) that transport hazardous materials; and aircraft, railroad, and vehicle transportation of hazardous materials.

Other hazardous material risk factors include at-risk populations and related demographics, service capacity, historic service demand, emergency evacuation planning and effectiveness, and presence and effectiveness of mass emergency notifications system(s).

The Department has four hazardous occupancies as classified by the California Building Code. Additionally, the Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) for El Dorado County identifies 61 sites with active operating permits as shown in Figure 12. CUPA facilities are permitted and operated under California Health and Safety Code and Fire Code regulations.

Figure 12—Hazardous Materials Sites



As Figure 12 illustrates, hazardous material sites are located in most risk zones, with the exception of zones 84-A, 86-E, 87-F, and 91.

In addition to the fixed facility hazardous materials risk discussed above, the Department also has transportation-related hazardous material risk as a result of U.S. 50 truck traffic. Table 27 summarizes the average annual daily truck traffic for U.S. 50 through the Department.

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Table 27—Average Annual Daily Truck Traffic

Route	Crossing	AADT ¹	Truck AADT by Axles				% Truck AADT by Axles			
			2	3	4	5+	2	3	4	5+
US 50	Scott Rd.	5,760	2,460	789	138	2,373	42.7%	13.7%	2.4%	41.2%

¹ Average Annual Daily Trips

Source: California Department of Transportation

Other hazardous material risk factors include at-risk populations and related demographics, response capacity, historic service demand, emergency evacuation planning and effectiveness, and availability and effectiveness of mass emergency notifications system(s).

The Department does not have a formal emergency Evacuation Plan, rather it relies on the El Dorado County Operational Area Emergency Operations Plan, under which the Sheriff’s Department is responsible for activating the County emergency alerting and warning systems as follows:

1. Emergency Alert System (EAS) – Local AM radio; local radio and television stations.
2. Emergency Digital Information System (E.D.I.S.) – Email notification to local public safety agencies and local media outlets.
3. Reverse 9-1-1 Emergency Notification System – Automated telephone notification system.
4. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Weather Radio All Hazards (NWR) broadcasting system – Alerting system for severe weather watches and warnings.
5. Roadside Message Signs – Can be strategically deployed to inform drivers of specific dangers, evacuation routes, shelter locations, etc.

Emergency alerting and warning also involves door-to-door notifications in endangered areas by law enforcement officers, firefighters, and other first responders. Emergency evacuations are initiated and managed by the El Dorado County Sheriff’s Office of Emergency Services (OES) Coordinator.

Hazardous Materials Service Capacity

Most Department response personnel are trained to the Hazardous Material First Responder Operational (FRO) level. The nearest Hazardous Materials Response Team is operated by

Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District from Station 109 in Carmichael approximately 19 miles (26 minutes) from El Dorado Hills. In addition, the City of Sacramento operates two Type-1 Hazardous Materials Response Teams from Station 30 in north Sacramento and Station 7 in south Sacramento.

Hazardous Material Service Demand

Table 28 summarizes the Department’s hazardous material service demand over the previous three years, which is 0.93% of total service demand over the same period.

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Table 28—Hazardous Material Service Demand

Risk Zone	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Total
84-A	4			4
84-B				0
84-C		1		1
84-D				0
84-E		1	1	2
84-F		1	2	3
84-G			1	1
84-H				0
85-A	9	2	1	12
85-B		2		2
85-C		2	2	4
85-D			3	3
86-A	3	1		4
86-B		2		2
86-C		1		1
86-D			1	1
86-E				0
87-A	5	5	4	14
87-B			1	1
87-C			1	1
87-D		3		3
87-E		1		1
87-F				0
91			2	2
Total	21	22	19	62
Percent of Total Service Demand	0.32%	0.33%	0.29%	0.93%

Source: El Dorado Hills Fire Department incident records

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Hazardous Materials Risk Analysis

Table 29 summarizes Citygate’s analysis of the Department’s hazardous material risk.

Table 29—Hazardous Material Risk Analysis

Risk Zone	Probability of Occurrence	Impact Severity Factors					Risk Factors Score	Overall Risk Score	Risk Rating
		Vulnerable Populations	Fixed HazMat Risk	Trans. HazMat Risk	Service Capacity	Evacuation Capacity			
84-A	1	1	0	0	3	4	8	8	Low
84-B	1	1	0	0	3	4	8	8	Low
84-C	1	1	0	0	3	4	8	8	Low
84-D	1	1	0	0	3	4	8	8	Low
84-E	1	2	0	0	3	4	9	9	Low
84-F	1	2	0	0	3	4	9	9	Low
84-G	1	1	0	0	3	4	8	8	Low
84-H	1	1	0	0	3	4	8	8	Low
85-A	2	2	0	0	3	4	9	18	Low
85-B	1	2	0	0	3	4	9	9	Low
85-C	1	1	0	3	2	4	10	10	Low
85-D	1	2	0	3	2	4	11	11	Low
86-A	1	1	0	0	3	4	8	8	Low
86-B	1	2	0	0	3	4	9	9	Low
86-C	1	2	0	0	3	4	9	9	Low
86-D	1	2	0	3	2	4	11	11	Low
86-E	1	1	0	0	3	4	8	8	Low
87-A	2	1	1	1	2	4	9	18	Low
87-B	1	1	1	1	2	4	9	9	Low
87-C	1	2	1	0	3	4	10	10	Low
87-D	1	1	2	1	3	4	11	11	Low
87-E	1	1	0	0	3	4	8	8	Low
87-F	1	1	0	0	3	4	8	8	Low
91	1	1	0	1	4	4	10	10	Low

As Table 29 shows, the Department’s hazardous material risk is **Low** across all risk zones reflecting a low probability of occurrence in combination with few vulnerable populations, low number of fixed hazardous material sites, low transportation risk, good service capacity, and moderate emergency evacuation capability.

3.3.15 Technical Rescue Risk

Technical Rescue Risk Factors

Technical rescue risk factors include construction activity, heavy industrial activity, confined spaces such as tanks and underground vaults, bodies of water and rivers or streams, urban flooding, transportation volume, and other factors that may create a need for technical rescue skills and/or equipment.

Technical Rescue Service Capacity

Both Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District and the City of Sacramento Fire Department have Type-1 Heavy Rescue capability within approximately 45-60 minutes response time to the Department. These resources are cross-staffed by on-duty personnel as needed, and are capable of conducting low-angle and high-angle rope rescue, structural collapse search and rescue, confined space rescue, and trench rescue. Both departments also have a marine program capable of deploying rescue boats and rescue swimmers.

In addition, the Sacramento Fire Department is the host agency for California Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) Task Force 7, one of eight California-based national USAR resources sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and coordinated and managed in California by the Governor’s Office of Emergency Services. Each USAR Task Force consists of 70 specially trained and equipped members capable of performing complex search, rescue, medical, and other highly technical search and rescue functions.

The El Dorado Hills Fire Department is currently developing a water rescue capability that will operate from Station 84.

Technical Rescue Service Demand

Over the most recent 3-year period evaluated for this study, there were seven rescue incidents within the Department comprising 0.11% of total service demand over the same period as shown in Table 30.

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Table 30—Technical Rescue Service Demand

Risk Zone	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Total
84-A	2		1	3
84-B				0
84-C				0
84-D				0
84-E				0
84-F				0
84-G				0
84-H				0
85-A		1		1
85-B				0
85-C				0
85-D				0
86-A	1			1
86-B				0
86-C				0
86-D				0
86-E				0
87-A	1			1
87-B				0
87-C				0
87-D				0
87-E		1		1
87-F				0
91				0
Total	4	2	1	7
Percent of Total Service Demand	0.06%	0.03%	0.02%	0.11%

Source: El Dorado Hills Fire Department incident records

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Technical Rescue Risk Analysis

Table 31 summarizes Citygate’s analysis of the Department’s technical rescue risk.

Table 31—Technical Rescue Risk Analysis

Risk Zone	Probability of Occurrence	Impact Severity Factors					Risk Factors Score	Overall Risk Score	Risk Rating
		Construction Activity	Industrial / Manufacturing Activity	Water Rescue Risk	Traffic Volume	Service Capacity			
84-A	1	1	0	4	0	2	7	7	Low
84-B	1	1	0	4	0	2	7	7	Low
84-C	1	1	0	4	0	1	6	6	Low
84-D	1	1	0	4	0	1	6	6	Low
84-E	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	Low
84-F	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	Low
84-G	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	Low
84-H	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	Low
85-A	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	Low
85-B	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	Low
85-C	1	1	0	0	3	1	5	5	Low
85-D	1	1	0	0	3	1	5	5	Low
86-A	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	Low
86-B	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	Low
86-C	1	1	0	2	0	1	4	4	Low
86-D	1	1	0	0	3	1	5	5	Low
86-E	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	Low
87-A	1	1	0	0	3	1	5	5	Low
87-B	1	1	0	0	3	1	5	5	Low
87-C	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	Low
87-D	1	1	2	0	0	1	4	4	Low
87-E	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	Low
87-F	1	1	0	0	0	1	2	2	Low
91	1	1	0	2	1	2	6	6	Low

As Table 31 illustrates, the Department’s technical rescue risk is **Low** across all risk zones, reflecting a low probability of occurrence combined with light construction activity, low industrial/manufacturing activity, none to high water rescue risk, low to moderate vehicle traffic risk, and good regional technical rescue service capacity.

3.3.16 Transportation Risk

Risk Factors

Transportation risk factors include motor vehicle, railway, watercraft, and aircraft use in and through the Department.

Primary Transportation Routes

U.S. 50 transects the Department carrying more than 90,000 vehicles daily, including 8,600 per hour at peak volume.¹⁸ All other transportation routes within the Department are surface streets with a minimal number of signalized intersections.

Air / Rail Services

Mather Airport, with no commercial passenger service, is located approximately 20 miles west of the Department in Rancho Cordova. In addition, a single Union Pacific Railroad track loops through the Latrobe area of the Department.

Transportation Risk Service Capacity

The Department’s service capacity for transportation risk consists of a minimum daily on-duty response force of 19 personnel staffing six apparatus from five fire stations and two Battalion Chiefs. The Department also has automatic aid and mutual aid agreements with adjacent fire agencies, and is also a signatory to the El Dorado County Mutual Aid Agreement.

Transportation Risk Service Demand

Over the most recent 3-year period evaluated for this study, there were 426 transportation-related incidents within the Department comprising 6.39% of total service demand over the same period as shown in Table 32.

¹⁸ Source: California Department of Transportation

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Table 32—Transportation Risk Service Demand

Risk Zone	FY 2012-13	FY 2013-14	FY 2014-15	Total
84-A	53	11	14	78
84-B		2	1	3
84-C		11	13	24
84-D		4	5	9
84-E		2	3	5
84-F		4	5	9
84-G		2	10	12
84-H		5	3	8
85-A	40	7	14	61
85-B			2	2
85-C		18	17	35
85-D		12	7	19
86-A	20		2	22
86-B		2	2	4
86-C		7	3	10
86-D		14	23	37
86-E		1	1	2
87-A	26	17	11	54
87-B			2	2
87-C			2	2
87-D		6	3	9
87-E		1	1	2
87-F				0
91		3	14	17
Total	139	129	158	426
Percent of Total Service Demand	2.09%	1.94%	2.37%	6.39%

Source: El Dorado Hills Fire Department incident records

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Transportation Risk Analysis

Table 33 summarizes Citygate’s analysis of the Department’s transportation risk.

Table 33—Transportation Risk Analysis

Risk Zone	Probability of Occurrence ¹	Impact Severity Factors					Risk Factors Score	Overall Risk Score	Risk Rating
		Population Density	Vehicle Traffic Volume	Railway Traffic	Aircraft Traffic	Service Capacity			
84-A	3	0	2	0	0	4	6	18	Low
84-B	2	1	0	0	0	3	4	8	Low
84-C	2	1	0	0	0	1	2	4	Low
84-D	2	2	0	0	0	1	3	6	Low
84-E	2	2	0	0	0	1	3	6	Low
84-F	2	3	0	0	0	1	4	8	Low
84-G	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	Low
84-H	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	Low
85-A	2	2	0	0	0	1	3	6	Low
85-B	2	2	0	0	0	1	3	6	Low
85-C	4	1	3	0	0	1	5	20	Low
85-D	4	2	3	0	0	1	6	24	Low
86-A	2	1	0	0	0	1	2	4	Low
86-B	2	3	0	0	0	1	4	8	Low
86-C	2	3	0	0	0	1	4	8	Low
86-D	4	2	3	0	0	1	6	24	Low
86-E	2	0	3	0	0	1	4	8	Low
87-A	3	0	3	0	0	1	4	12	Low
87-B	2	0	3	0	0	1	4	8	Low
87-C	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	Low
87-D	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	Low
87-E	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	Low
87-F	2	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	Low
91	3	0	2	2	0	4	8	24	Low

¹ Multiple-victim incident requiring multiple resources

Table 33 shows that the Department’s transportation risk is *Low* across all risk zones, reflecting a low to high probability of occurrence combined with low to moderate population density, low to moderate vehicle traffic volume, no aircraft or rail traffic, and good to moderate transportation risk service capacity.

3.3.17 Flood Risk¹⁹

Flooding is the rising and overflowing of a body of water onto normally dry land. Floods are among the costliest natural disasters in terms of human hardship and economic loss nationwide. Flood hazards can result from intense rain, snowmelt, cloudbursts, or a combination of the three, or from failure of a water impoundment structure, such as a dam. Floods from rainstorms generally occur between November and April and are characterized by high peak flows of moderate duration. Snowmelt floods combined with rain have larger volumes and last longer than rain flooding.

Floodplains

A floodplain is the area that is inundated during a flood event. It is often physically discernible as a broad, flat area created by prior floods. The larger the floodplain, the greater the area at risk for flooding. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), through its National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), has created a Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) that identifies and designates Special Flood Hazard Areas (SFHA) subject to a 1% chance of inundation in any given year. This 1% annual chance flood is also referred to as the base flood, or 100-year flood. Moderate Flood Hazard Areas (MFHA) are identified as those areas between the limits of the base flood and the 0.2 annual chance (or 500-year) flood. Areas of minimal flood hazard are those areas outside of the SFHA and higher in elevation than the MFHA.

The term “100-year flood” is misleading. It is not a flood that will occur once every 100 years. Rather, it is the flood elevation (or depth) that has a 1% chance of being equaled or exceeded each year. Thus, the 100-year flood could occur more than once in a relatively short period of time. In summary, the 100-year flood is the flood that has a 1% chance in any given year of being equaled or exceeded.

Flood-Prone Areas

Historically, the western slope of El Dorado County is not subject to flooding due to a lack of extensive low-lying areas and many upland areas. Flooding results from prolonged heavy rainfall and is characterized by high peak flows of moderate duration and by a large volume of runoff. Flooding is more severe when antecedent rainfall has resulted in saturated ground conditions. The

¹⁹ Source: El Dorado County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan, November 2004

primary flood-prone areas on the west slope of the County within the Department include Bass Lake, the Cosumnes River, Deer Creek, and New York Creek.²⁰

Flood Risk Analysis

Table 34 summarizes Citygate’s analysis of the Department’s flood risk.

²⁰ Source: Federal Emergency Management Agency, Flood Insurance Rate Maps (2012)

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Table 34—Flood Risk

Risk Zone	Probability of Occurrence	Impact Severity Factors					Risk Factors Score	Overall Risk Score	Risk Rating
		Area Affected	Injuries / Fatalities	Property Damage	CIKR Impacts	Mid/Long-Term Community Impacts			
84-A	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
84-B	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
84-C	3	3	1	2	1	2	9	27	Low
84-D	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
84-E	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
84-F	3	3	1	2	2	2	10	30	Low
84-G	3	3	1	2	1	2	9	27	Low
84-H	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
85-A	3	3	1	2	2	2	10	30	Low
85-B	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
85-C	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
85-D	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
86-A	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
86-B	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
86-C	3	3	1	2	2	2	10	30	Low
86-D	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
86-E	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
87-A	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
87-B	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
87-C	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
87-D	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
87-E	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
87-F	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	5	Low
91	3	3	1	2	1	2	9	27	Low

As Table 34 shows, the Department’s flood risk is **Low** across all risk zones, with potential flooding limited to risk zones 84-C, 84-F, 84-G, 85-A, 86-C, and 91 in the creek/river drainages described above.

3.4 EXISTING DEPARTMENT DEPLOYMENT

3.4.1 Existing Deployment—What the Department Currently Has in Place

As the Board of Directors has not yet adopted a best-practices-based response time policy, this study will benchmark the Department for urban populated areas against the response time recommendations of NFPA 1710²¹ for career fire service deployment. These are:

- ◆ Four (4) minutes travel time for the first-due unit to all types of emergencies
- ◆ Eight (8) minutes travel time for multiple units needed at serious emergencies (First Alarm).

Table 35 describes the Department’s current daily staffing plan.

Table 35—Daily Minimum Staffing per Unit – 2016

Staffed Resource Type	No.	Minimum Staffing	Description	Extended Staffing
Engines	3	3	Firefighters per day	9
Ladder Truck	1	4	Firefighters per day	4
Patrol	1	2	Firefighters per day	2
Ambulance	1	2	Firefighters per day	2
Battalion Chief*	2	2	Per day for command	2
Total Response Personnel per Day				19

*2nd Chief Officer from office or home

This daily staffing is adequate for most emergencies, however, automatic aid and/or mutual aid will be needed in a timely manner to provide the balance of the staffing needed for a serious building fire or other complex emergency incident.

Services Provided

The Department is an “all-risk” fire department providing the residents, businesses, and visitors it protects with services that include fire suppression and prevention, emergency medical, rescue, first-responder hazardous materials response, and other services. Given these risks, the Department

²¹ NFPA 1710 Standard for the Deployment of Fire Suppression Operations, Emergency Medical Operations, and Special Operations to the Public by Career Fire Departments (2016 Edition)

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utilizes a tiered deployment model matching the type and number of resources dispatched to each risk type. The Department contracts for dispatching services with the CAL FIRE Amador-El Dorado Administrative Unit that uses a Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system to select and dispatch the appropriate resources to each emergency incident. Table 40 summarizes the Department’s response plan for common risk types.

Table 36—Response Plan by Risk Type

Risk Type	Resources Dispatched	Total Personnel
Medical Emergency	1 Engine, 1 Ambulance	5
Rescue	4 Engines, 1 Ambulance, 1 BC	15
Traffic Collision	2 Engines, 1 Ambulance, 1 BC	9
Building Fire	5 Engines*, 1 Truck, 1 Ambulance, 2 Chief Officers	23
Wildland Fire	3 Engines, 1 Ambulance, 1 BC	12
Vehicle Fire	2 Engines, 1 BC	7
Hazardous Material	3 Engines, 1 Ambulance, 1 BC	12

* Two from mutual aid

Source: El Dorado Hills Fire Department

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SECTION 4—STAFFING AND GEO-MAPPING ANALYSIS

4.1 CRITICAL TIME TASK MEASURES—WHAT MUST BE DONE OVER WHAT TIME FRAME TO ACHIEVE THE STATED OUTCOME EXPECTATION?

SOC ELEMENT 4 OF 8
CRITICAL TASK TIME
STUDY

Standards of Response Coverage (SOC) studies use time-task information to determine the firefighters needed within a timeframe to accomplish the desired fire control objective on moderate residential fires and modest emergency medical rescues. The time it takes to complete one specific task is called an “evolution.” These time-task evolutions are shown on the following pages to demonstrate how much time the operations take. The following tables start with the time of fire dispatch notification, and finish with the outcome achieved. These tables are composite tables from Citygate clients in communities very similar to the El Dorado Hills Fire Department, with unit staffing similar to the Department’s (three personnel per engine / four personnel per ladder truck). These tasks and times also are consistent with national published studies. There are several important themes contained in these tables:

1. The evolution test results were obtained at training centers under ideal conditions; structure fire response times are from actual events, showing how units arrive at staggered intervals
2. Note the time it takes after arrival, or after a task is ordered by command, to actually accomplish the tasks and arrive at the desired outcome; the fewer the firefighters, the longer it takes to complete many of the tasks (*Critical tasks* are highlighted in *gray*)
3. Task completion time is generally a function of how many personnel are available so that some tasks can be completed *concurrently*
4. Some tasks must be assigned to a minimum of two firefighters to comply with safety regulations. For example, two firefighters are required for searching a smoke-filled room for a victim.

The following tasks are taken from typical suburban fire department’s operational procedures, which are entirely consistent with the customary findings of other agencies using the Standards of Response Cover process. No conditions existed to override the OSHA 2-in/2-out safety policy which requires that firefighters enter serious building fires in teams of two, while two more firefighters are outside and immediately ready to rescue them should trouble arise.

4.1.1 Firefighting Critical Tasks

The Department's response plan for building fires includes five (5) engines (two of which come from mutual aid), one Department ladder truck, one JPA ambulance, and two chief officers for a minimum response force of 23 personnel. NFPA 1710²² recommends a minimum initial response force of 15 personnel; Table 37 shows critical task times for an initial response force of 16 personnel which is just under the Department's on-duty minimum force of 19. It is important to understand that the larger the response force (weight of attack), the quicker that critical tasks can be completed.

***Scenario:** This was a simulated one-story residential dwelling fire with no rescue situation. Responding companies received dispatch information as typical for a witnessed fire. Upon arrival*

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they were told approximately 1,000 square feet of the home was involved in fire.

Table 37—First Alarm Structure Fire – 16 Department Firefighters

Task Description	Task Clock Time	Elapsed Time from 9-1-1
Pre-arrival time of dispatch, turnout, and travel time at desired goal point		07:00
First-due engine on scene, size up, pull fire attack line	Begin Scene Time	07:00
Ladder truck on scene / ventilation	00:40	07:40
First ladder to roof	02:54	
Forcible entry	04:05	
Attack team entry pre-connect	04:05	11:05
2 nd engine on scene	04:20	
Provide water supply line	05:22	
Rescue-ambulance on scene	05:00	
1st Chief Officer on scene, transfer command	05:40	
3 rd engine on scene, 2 nd Chief Officer	07:27	
Primary search completed	08:03	15:03
Roof ventilation completed	08:06	
Rapid Intervention Crew established	08:21	
Water on fire	09:05	
Fire knocked down	09:10	16:10
Secondary search completed	09:20	
Fire under control	09:30	16:30
Total Time to Control:	09:30	16:30
Total Personnel:	16	

The personnel required to perform the above tasks, grouped together, form an *Effective Response Force* (ERF). Remember that many of the above distinct tasks must be performed concurrently and effectively to achieve the desired outcome; arriving on-scene does not stop the escalation of the emergency. While firefighters accomplish the above tasks, the clock keeps running.

Fire spread in a structure can double in size every minute during its free burn period. Many studies have shown that a small fire can spread to engulf the entire room in less than four to five minutes after free burning has started. Once the room is completely superheated and involved in fire (known as flashover), the fire will spread quickly throughout the structure and into the attic and walls. For this reason, it is imperative that fire attack and search commence before the flashover point occurs if the outcome goal is to keep the fire damage in or near the room of origin, and to

maximize survival opportunity for any occupants.

4.1.2 EMS Critical Tasks

The Department responds to nearly 1,967 EMS incidents per year, including vehicle accidents, water emergencies, strokes, heart attacks, difficulty breathing, and many other medical emergencies. The wide variety and circumstances of EMS calls makes it difficult and impractical to chart the critical tasks for each call type.

The American Heart Association (AHA) recommends a minimum of two emergency medical technicians and two certified paramedics to complete the tasks required for a cardiac emergency. A 2010 EMS study conducted by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) clearly demonstrates a crew of four first responders on-scene, including two paramedics, is the most expedient and efficient means of delivering advanced emergency medical care.

The Department routinely responds to EMS calls that require treatment for more than one patient. These calls include vehicle accidents, water rescues, chemical exposures, construction or industrial accidents, and any other event that occurs with several people in close proximity. Patient conditions can range from minor cuts and bruises to life-threatening injuries.

Dispatchers are responsible for screening calls to establish the correct initial response. The first fire department officer on-scene amends the response once conditions have been assessed. Standard operating procedures are used to request adequate personnel and resources.

For comparison purposes, Table 38 shows the tasks for a typical cardiac arrest incident.

Scenario: *This was a simulated one-patient full arrest inside a residential dwelling. One engine*

and one ambulance responded with a total response force of 5 personnel.

Table 38—Cardiac Arrest – 1 Engine and 1 Ambulance

Task Description	Task Clock Time	Elapsed Time from 9-1-1
Pre-arrival time of dispatch, turnout, and travel time at desired goal point		07:00
First-due engine on scene	Begin Scene Time	07:00
Engine crew determine full arrest and start CPR	00:55	
Rescue ambulance on-scene	01:35	
Cardiac monitor attached to patient	02:10	
Auto pulse CPR unit attached	03:18	
Intravenous line placed	03:24	10:24
Bag valve mask ventilation started	03:42	
Epinephrine administered	05:32	12:32
Intubation completed	06:10	13:10
Defibrillate, positive change in patient rhythm	06:53	13:53
Patient on gurney	07:28	
Patient in ambulance	10:15	17:15
Total Time to Begin Transport:	10:15	17:15
Total Personnel:	5	

4.1.3 Critical Task Analysis and Effective Response Force Size

What does a deployment study derive from a response time and company task time analysis? The total task times to stop the escalation of the emergency, as shown in Table 37 and Table 38, must be compared to outcomes. We know from nationally-published fire service “time vs. temperature” tables that after about 4-5 minutes of free burning, a room fire will grow to the point of flashover. At this point, the entire room is engulfed in fire, the entire building becomes threatened, and human survival near or in the fire room becomes improbable. Additionally, we know that brain death begins to occur within 4-6 minutes of the heart having stopped. Thus, the Effective Response Force must arrive in time to stop these catastrophic events from becoming worse.

The on-scene tasks previously discussed show that Department residents are able to expect positive outcomes in all but the most time sensitive emergencies, and have a good chance of survival, in a

moderate severity medical emergency. This is because the Department’s first responding units are typically available in 11 minutes or less first unit ***total response*** time as identified in Section 5.

Mitigating an emergency event is a team effort once the units have arrived. This refers back to the “weight” of response analogy; if too few personnel arrive too slowly, then the emergency will worsen instead of improve. The outcome times, of course, will be longer, with less desirable results, if the arriving force is later or smaller.

The quantity of staffing and the arrival time frame can be critical in a serious fire. Fires in older and/or multi-story buildings could well require the initial firefighters needing to rescue trapped or immobile occupants. If the initial response force is too small, it cannot simultaneously conduct rescue and firefighting operations.

Fires and complex medical incidents require that additional units arrive in time to complete an effective intervention. Time is one factor that comes from ***proper station placement***. Good performance also comes from ***adequate staffing*** and training. In the critical tasks identified previously, the Department’s firefighters can only perform well in terms of time for serious fires with nearby automatic or mutual aid due to travel times given the Department’s topography, road network, and station spacing.

Previous critical task studies conducted by Citygate, Standard of Response Cover documents reviewed from accredited fire departments, and NFPA 1710 recommendations all arrive at the need for 15 or more firefighters arriving within *11 minutes total response time* at a room and contents building fire to be able to ***simultaneously and effectively*** perform the tasks of rescue, fire attack, and ventilation. Given that the Department sends *at least* 17 of its own personnel, plus two automatic aid engines to building fire incidents, it is clear that the Department understands that firefighting crews arriving closely together are needed to deliver a positive outcome that protects lives and property by stopping the escalation of the emergency as found by the arriving response force. Given that the Department has not yet adopted a response time policy, its current response to building fires is, in effect, the de-facto deployment measure to built-up urban/suburban areas, thus becoming the Department’s baseline deployment policy.

4.2 DISTRIBUTION AND CONCENTRATION STUDIES—HOW THE LOCATION OF FIRST-DUE AND FIRST ALARM RESOURCES AFFECTS THE OUTCOME

SOC ELEMENT 5 OF 8 DISTRIBUTION STUDY

The Department is served today by five fire stations. It is appropriate to understand what the existing stations do and do not cover, if there are any coverage gaps needing one or more stations, and what, if anything, to do about them.

SOC ELEMENT 6 OF 8 CONCENTRATION STUDY

In brief, there are two geographic perspectives to fire station deployment:

- ◆ **Distribution** – the spreading out or spacing of first-due fire units to control routine emergencies.
- ◆ **Concentration** – the spacing of fire stations in sufficient proximity to each other so that more serious emergencies can receive sufficient resources from multiple stations quickly. As indicated, this is known as the **Effective Response Force**, or, more commonly, the “First Alarm Assignment”—the collection of a sufficient number of firefighters on scene, delivered within the concentration time goal to stop the escalation of the problem.

To analyze first-due fire unit travel time coverage, Citygate uses a geographic mapping tool called *FireView™* that can measure theoretical travel time over the street network. For this time calculation, Citygate staff uses the base map and street travel speeds calibrated to actual fire company travel times from previous responses to simulate real-world coverage. Using these tools, Citygate ran several deployment tests and measured their impact on various parts of the Department. The travel time measure used was 4 minutes over the road network, which is consistent with the “benchmark” recommendation in NFPA 1710 and desirable outcomes in critical emergencies in urban/suburban areas. When up to 3 minutes are added for dispatch call processing and crew turnout times, then the maps effectively show the area covered within 7 minutes of the dispatch center receiving the 9-1-1 call for first-unit arrival, and 11 minutes (8 minutes travel) for ERF (first-alarm) arrival.

4.2.1 Department Deployment Baselines

Map #1 – General Department Geography and Station Locations

This map shows the existing Department boundaries, road network, station locations, and location of mutual/automatic aid resources. This is a reference map view for the other map displays that follow.

Map #2 – Risk Assessment Zones

This map shows the 24 zones established by the Department for the Community Risk Assessment in Section 3.3.

Map #2a – Risk Assessment: High-Risk Occupancies

Risk assessment is an effort by the Department to classify properties by potential impact on service demand levels. This map shows the location of higher risk buildings which potentially require more firefighters in fewer minutes should a serious fire occur due to high occupancy loading, at-risk populations, or the presence of hazardous materials or processes.

Most of these buildings are located where zoning allows commercial buildings. The important finding from this geographic-based assessment is that most of these risks are concentrated within the core urban populated area of the Department, with some located in the most northern Station 84 service area. As such, the Department needs a strong, multi-unit response capacity for serious emergencies in the urbanized areas of the Department.

Map #2b – Risk Assessment: Critical Facilities

As another perspective of risk, the locations of the Department’s 127 designated critical facilities are displayed here. Critical facilities are those that are deemed by federal and state criteria to be essential to the successful, economic and safe operation of a community. Over 91% of these facilities are located with Station 84, Station 85, and Station 87 service areas.

Map #2c – Risk Assessment: High Fire Flow Buildings

The Insurance Service Office (ISO) surveys buildings for fire risk, upon which underwriters base insurance premiums. One measure of a buildings risk is the calculated amount of water needed should a major fire occur in a building. This “Needed Fire Flow” calculation is based on many factors, such as type of construction and spacing from other buildings. This map displays the 34 buildings within the Department with larger required fire flows in excess of 2,500 gallons per minute and, almost all of which are located in Station 87’s service area.

Map #2d – Wildland Fire Risk Zones

CAL FIRE, as required by state law, has classified most of the Department as moderate to very high risk for wildfire for the threat it poses to populated areas. As can be seen, all of the populated areas of the Department about *Moderate* or *High* wildland Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZ).

Finding #2: Given that all of the populated areas of the Department about state-designated *Moderate* or *High* wildland Fire Hazard Severity Zones, the Department needs the “weight” of fire attack using multiple units in a timely manner to stop incipient wildfires before they become catastrophic.

Map #2e – EMS Risk

Population density is one of the predominant factors influencing EMS risk in most communities. This map shows the Department’s population density in 500 person per-square-mile increments. The CFAI and the NFPA typically define population densities as shown in Table 39.

Table 39—Population Densities

Category	Population Density ¹	EL Dorado EMS Densities
Urban	2,000 or more	>999
Suburban	1,000-1,999	Semi-rural 100-999
Rural	Less than 1,000	10-99

¹ Average population density per square mile

As would be expected, urban population densities are located in those areas of the Department where zoning allows higher-density residential land use, including portions of Station 84, Station 85, and Station 86 service areas. As Map #10 will also show, these are the areas with the highest number of EMS incidents.

Finding #3: Much of the residential/commercial areas of the Department north of U.S. 50 are at or above suburban population densities as defined by CFAI. As such, it is appropriate to benchmark the Departments’ response time and outcome goals in urban/suburban areas to those recommended by NFPA 1710 for career fire departments, *north of U.S. 50*.

Finding #4: Due to semi-rural and rural population densities south of U.S. 50, the Department needs to adopt response time policies for differing population densities from urban to rural.

Map #2f – Hazardous Material Risk

This view shows the location of the four Hazardous (H) occupancy classification buildings and 61 additional sites with active El Dorado County Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) operating permits for hazardous materials. These sites are distributed throughout the built-up areas of the Department.

Map #3 – First-Due Unit Distribution: Current Fire Stations 4-Minute Engine Travel

This map shows, using a different color for each station, the *distribution of Department stations* per a best-practice-recommended response goal of 4 minutes *travel* time in urban/suburban areas. Therefore, the limit of each color per station area is the distance an engine could reach within 4 minutes, *assuming* it is in-station and encounters no unusual traffic delays. In addition, the computer-mapping tool uses actual fire company speed limits per roadway type, thus the projection line is a realistic travel distance for fire apparatus in normal traffic.

The purpose of computer response modeling is to determine and balance station locations. This geo-mapping design is then checked in the study against actual dispatch time data, which reflect real responses. There also should be some overlap between station areas so that a second-due unit can have a chance of an adequate response time when it covers a call in another fire station’s service area.

This view illustrates the impacts of the Department’s topography, road network, and large fire station service areas on travel times, with only approximately 50% of the Department’s core populated areas, and less than 20% of the entire Department, covered within 4 minutes travel time from the nearest fire station.

Finding #5: The Department’s five fire station locations provide computer-predicted 4-minute travel time coverage to approximately half of the urban/suburban population densities, and less than approximately 20% of the entire Department. As such the Department should adopt tiered response time policies.

Map #3a – First-Due Unit Distribution 5-Minute Engine Travel with Mutual/Automatic Aid Stations

This map also shows the *distribution* using a test response goal of 5 minutes *travel* time in urban/suburban areas, using mutual and automatic aid stations as shown. Even with mutual and automatic aid, and 1 minute added to travel time, first-unit coverage in urban/suburban population densities improves to only approximately 75% of those areas, and approximately 30% of the entire Department.

Map #3b – Ambulance Distribution 9-Minute Travel – All JPA Ambulances

This map shows ambulance coverage in the JPA ambulance service plan, which uses a response goal of 10 minutes (turnout plus travel). Therefore, we modeled a 9-minute *travel* time assuming a best possible 1-minute turnout time.

Assuming the ambulance is responding from Station 85, the dark green color shows the overlap with other ambulances, where approximately 75% of the Department’s road network is covered. It should be noted that the dynamic deployment model utilized by the Ambulance JPA results in Medic 85 being out-of-Department a large percentage of the time during daytime hours.

Map #3c – Ambulance Distribution 9-Minute Travel – No Ambulance 85

If the ambulance assigned to Station 85 is on an incident, or moved up to cover an area further east in the West Slope section of the County, this map shows the Folsom and other ambulance JPA coverage. Assuming those units are available, much of the core urban areas in the Department are covered.

Map #3d – Ambulance 85 Relocated to Station 86

This coverage tests the effect of moving Ambulance 85 easterly. Given the road network in the Department at present, the result is decreased coverage in the northwest Station 84 area, along with reduced coverage south of Station 87. The overlap with the JPA ambulances to the east of the Department is increased. Given these results, Citygate would *not* relocate the ambulance out of Station 85, unless in the future new roads being built would allow Station 86 to reach more quickly into Station 84’s area.

Map #4 – ISO Coverage Areas

This map exhibit displays the ISO requirement that stations cover a 1.5-mile distance response area. Depending on a jurisdiction’s road network and topography, the 1.5-mile measure generally equates to a 3.5- to 4.5-minute travel time. However, a 1.5-mile measure is a reasonable indicator of station spacing and overlap. As can be seen, the ISO coverage is very similar to the 4-minute travel time coverage in Map #3.

Map #5 – Concentration: 8-Minute ERF Travel

This map shows the *concentration* or massing of fire crews for serious fire or rescue calls. As the map illustrates, coverage for the Department’s building fire response of a *minimum* response force of five engines (3 Department; 2 mutual aid), one aerial ladder truck, one ambulance, and two chief officers within 8 minutes travel time (11:30 minutes total response time) is limited to a small percentage of the Department’s total service area immediately adjacent to U.S. 50, and a small area at the western edge of Station 84’s response area.

Finding #6: Only a small percentage of the Department is within 8 minutes travel time of an Effective Response Force of five engines, one ladder truck, one ambulance, and two chief officers. For mutual aid units, the Department’s topography and road network design do not allow a 5-engine best practice-recommended travel time to urban/suburban population densities.

Map #6 – Department Engines Only: 8-Minute Travel

This map shows distribution by illustrating the 8-minute, 3-engine travel time coverage using just Department engines. Here, coverage improves significantly from Map #5a to include all of the northern areas of the Department with the exception of two small areas at the extreme northern and northeastern areas of the Department, and an improvement south of U.S. 50 along Latrobe Road.

The difference from Map #5a is that the full assignment in Map #5a, includes two out-of-Department mutual aid engines. The engines from Folsom are dispatched by another communications center with a resultant 1-minute processing/request lag.

Map #7 – Battalion Chief 8-Minute Travel

This map displays the coverage for one Battalion Chief, including mutual aid at 8 minutes travel time from Station 85. Coverage from Station 85 is good to nearly all of the urban/suburban population densities in the Department.

Map #8 – Ladder Truck 8-Minute Travel

This map shows 8-minute travel time ladder truck coverage including automatic/mutual aid. As can be seen, nearly all of the developed areas of the Department can be reached within this response time goal.

Finding #7: The Department’s minimum multi-unit response of three Department engines, one ladder truck, one ambulance and two chiefs totaling 17 personnel to serious emergencies should be achievable within 9 minutes travel time to the most populated areas, which is close to an urban/suburban area best practice.

Given the somewhat newer building construction in most of the Department, and the low rate of serious building fires, a Department only provided Effective Response Force of 17 personnel meets NFPA 1710 recommendations for urban/suburban areas. Using more units from mutual aid for rare, very serious fires is an acceptable deployment decision.

Map #9 – All Incident Locations

Maps #9-#12 are an overlay of the location of all incidents from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2015. In map #9, it is apparent that there is a need for Department services on nearly every street segment of the Department. The greatest concentration of calls is also where the greatest concentration of Department resources is available. This view also shows the locations outside the Department where its units responded.

Map #10 – Emergency Medical Services and Rescue Incident Locations

This map further breaks out only the emergency medical and rescue call locations. With two thirds of the calls for service being emergency medical, virtually all areas of the Department need emergency medical services. Also, the highest concentration of EMS-related calls relates to the highest population densities.

Map #11 – All Fire Locations

This view illustrates the location of all fire incidents from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2015, including fires of any type. This view also illustrates that there are obviously fewer fires than medical or rescue calls. Even given this, it is evident that all first-due engine districts have fire incidents; the fires are more concentrated in the higher population density areas of the Department.

Map #12 – Structure Fire Locations

Displayed on this map are all structure fire incident locations from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2015. While the structure fire count is a smaller subset of the total fire count, there are two meaningful findings from this map. First, structure fires occurred in all of the five fire station service areas, of which many paralleling the higher risk building types where more significant risk and the ISO-evaluated buildings are more common. These areas and buildings are of significant fire and life loss risk to the Department. Second, fires in the more complicated building types must be controlled quickly or the losses will be significant. Fortunately, in the commercial and industrial zones where commercial buildings tend to have automatic fire sprinklers and good management practices, there were fewer fires over the 2-year period.

Map #13 – Emergency Medical Services and Rescue Incident Location Densities

This map view examines, by mathematical density, where clusters of emergency medical services incident activity occurred. In this set, the darker density color plots the highest concentration of all incidents. This type of map makes the location of frequent workload more meaningful than just mapping all locations, as done in Map #10.

This perspective is important because the deployment system needs an overlap of units to ensure the delivery of multiple units when needed for serious incidents or to handle simultaneous calls for service. When this type of map is compared with the concentration of engines in Map #6, the best concentration should be where the greatest density of calls for service occurs, which is the core, higher population density areas of the Department within Station 84, Station 85, and Station 87 response areas.

Map #14 – All Fire Location Densities

This map is similar to Map #12, showing the hot spots of activity for all fire types, which includes portions of Station 84, Station 85, Station 86, and Station 87 service areas.

Map #15 – Structure Fire Densities

This view shows only the building fire workload by density, which is more focused in the higher building density areas of the Department within Station 84, Station 85, Station 86, and Station 87s service areas.

Map #16 – 6-minute, and 8-Minute Travel Coverage for Proposed Station 91 Site

This map shows test tiered travel time coverage to rural areas from the proposed station site at Heffrin Drive and Dodson Road. As this map illustrates, the site effectively covers the more developed areas in Station 91's service zone. As the next map will show, Station 87, from its location, will connect southbound within 8 minutes to the new Station 91 8-minute reach. Therefore, most of the populated southern Department is within reach of one of the two fire stations within 8 minutes travel time.

Map #17 – 4-Minute to 9-Minute Travel Coverage – All Stations

This view shows travel time coverage for all Stations, and the proposed Station 91, in 1-minute increments from 4-9 minutes travel. The purpose of this map is to show per minute the coverage into the edges of the Department and how even northeast of Station 84 and 86, are within 6 minutes travel time of an existing fire station.

Finding #8: The Department’s fire station locations north and just south of U.S. 50 can provide 4- to 6-minute travel time coverage to the Department’s urban/suburban areas substantially meeting best practices. As such, these stations are well located, and additional stations in this 4-station area are not needed, absent a very high level of infill development.

Finding #9: The proposed relocation of Station 91 to the northeast is very good, providing the rural area travel time coverage from 6 to 8 minutes travel time, meeting best practices and Citygate’s recommendations for rural areas.

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SECTION 5—RESPONSE STATISTICAL ANALYSIS

5.1 HISTORICAL EFFECTIVENESS AND RELIABILITY OF RESPONSE—WHAT STATISTICS SAY ABOUT EXISTING SYSTEM PERFORMANCE

SOC ELEMENT 7 OF 8
RELIABILITY & HISTORICAL
RESPONSE EFFECTIVENESS
STUDIES

The maps described in Section 4 show the GIS-projected response times given perfect conditions with no competing calls, without traffic congestion, and all initial response resources in their assigned stations. Examination of the actual response time data provides a picture of how response times are in the “real” world of simultaneous calls, rush hour traffic conditions, units out of position, and delayed travel time for events such as periods of severe weather.

5.1.1 Data Set Identification

The Department provided National Fire Incident Reporting System (NFIRS 5) incident records and computer-aided-dispatch (CAD) apparatus response data for the time period from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2015. Analysis of this three-year data set yielded 8,547 incidents and 14,684 apparatus response records, which is considered to be a statistically significant data set.

5.2 SERVICE DEMAND

In 2015, the Department responded to 3,027 incidents, or an average of 8.29 calls for service per day. Of those, 3.73% were fire incidents, 64.91% were EMS incidents, and 31.36% were other incident types. During this same time period, there were 5,066 apparatus movements, an average of 1.67 apparatus movements per incident.

5.2.1 Service Demand

Service demand, expressed as calls for service, has increased slightly over the past three years as shown in Figure 13.

Figure 13—3-Year Service Demand

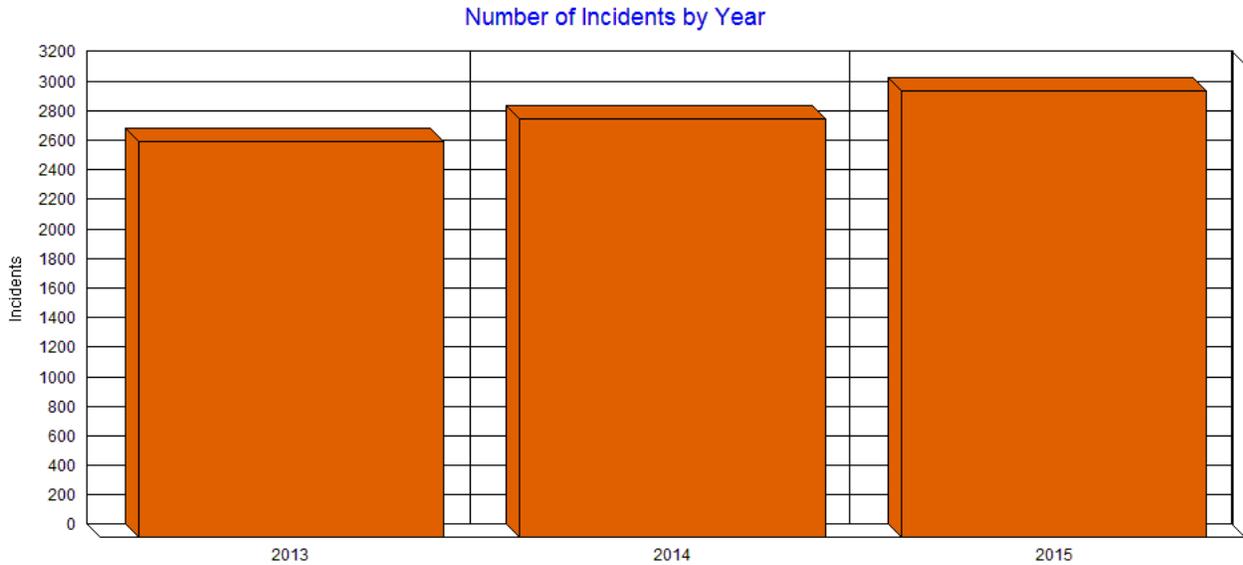
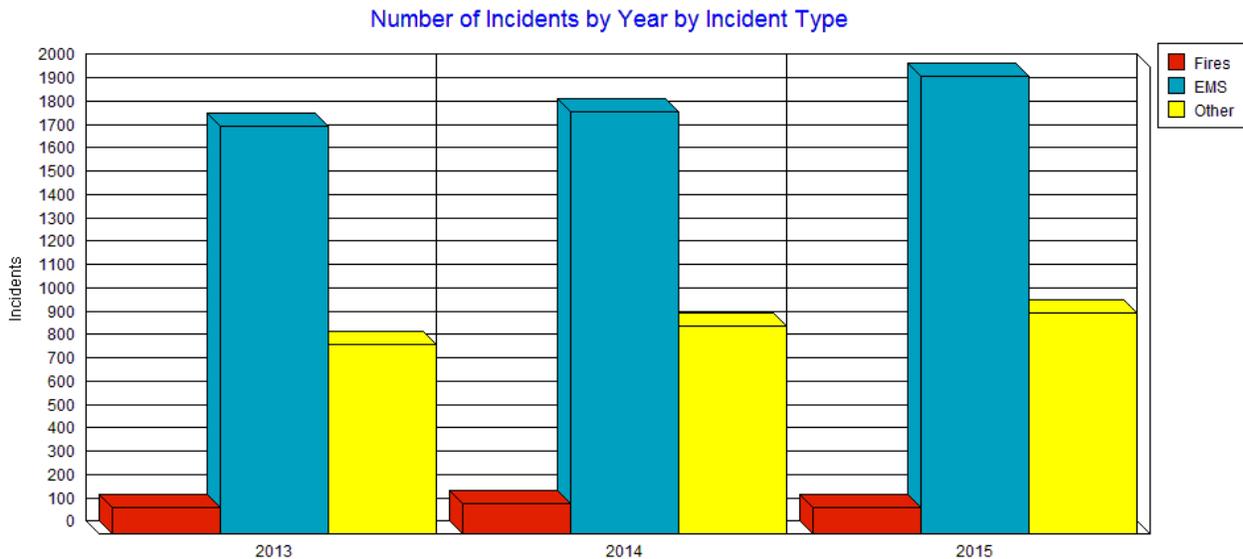


Figure 14 illustrates annual service demand by general incident category. Note that while service demand for fire incidents increased slightly from 2013 to 2014 and declined slightly in 2015, service demand for EMS and other incident types increased slightly over the three-year period.

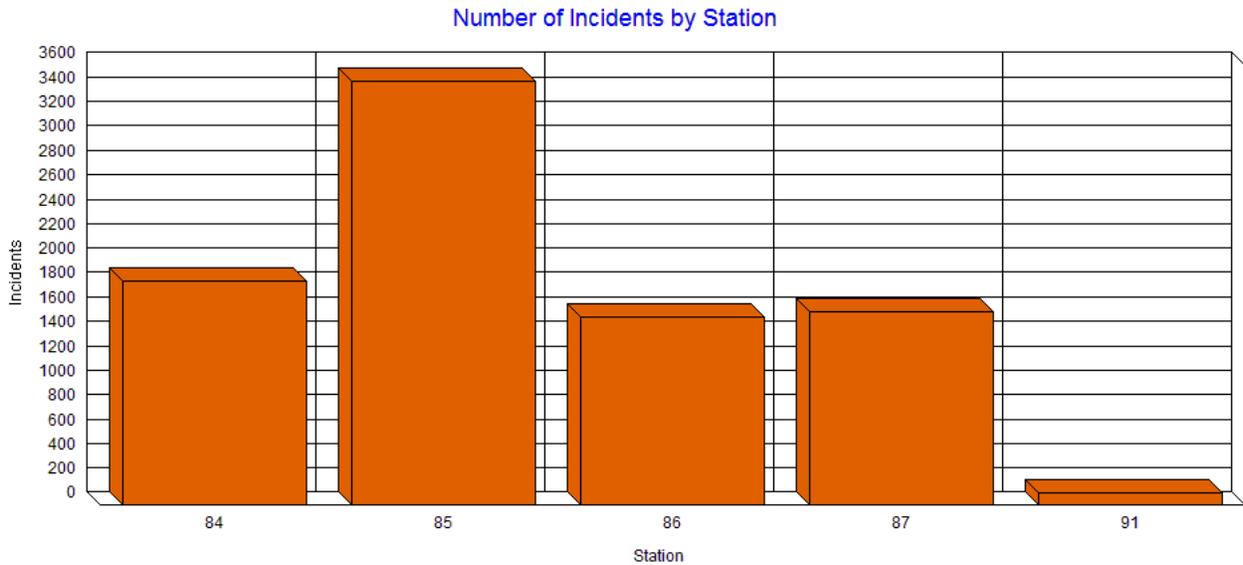
Figure 14—3-Year Service Demand by Incident Category



5.2.2 Service Demand by Station

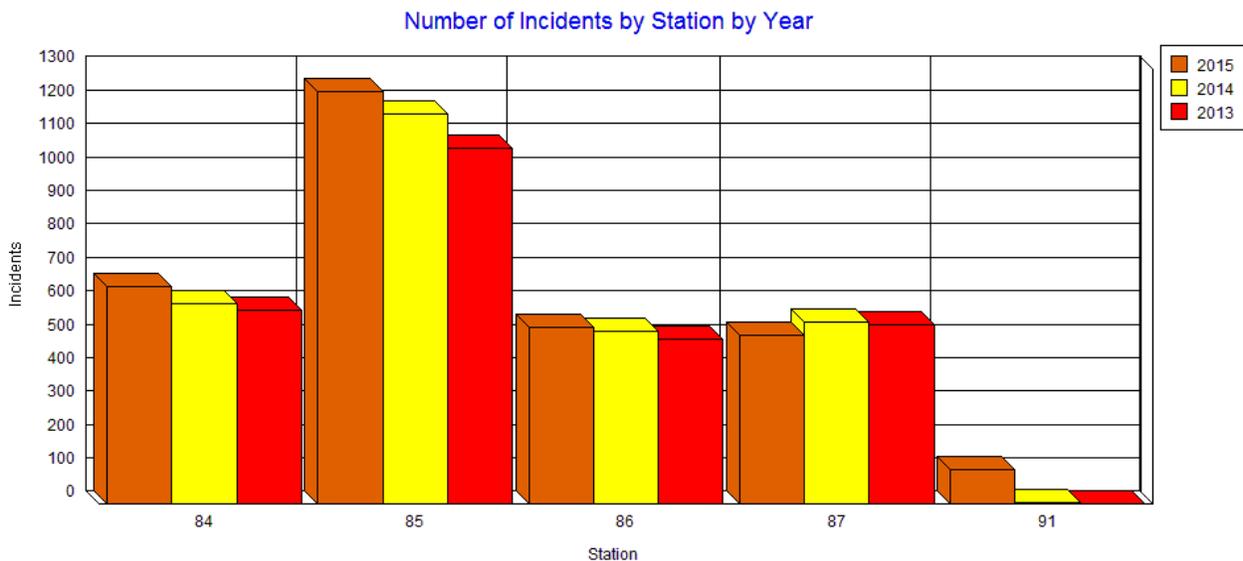
The following chart illustrates the number of incidents by station for 3 years. Station 85 has nearly 32 times the incidents occurring in Station 91’s area.

Figure 15—3-Year Service Demand by Station



The following chart is a breakdown of the number of incidents by station area by year. The number of incidents at Station 91 increase in 2015. Only Station 87 experienced a slight decrease in incidents in 2015.

Figure 16—3-Year Service Demand by Station



5.2.3 Temporal Service Demand

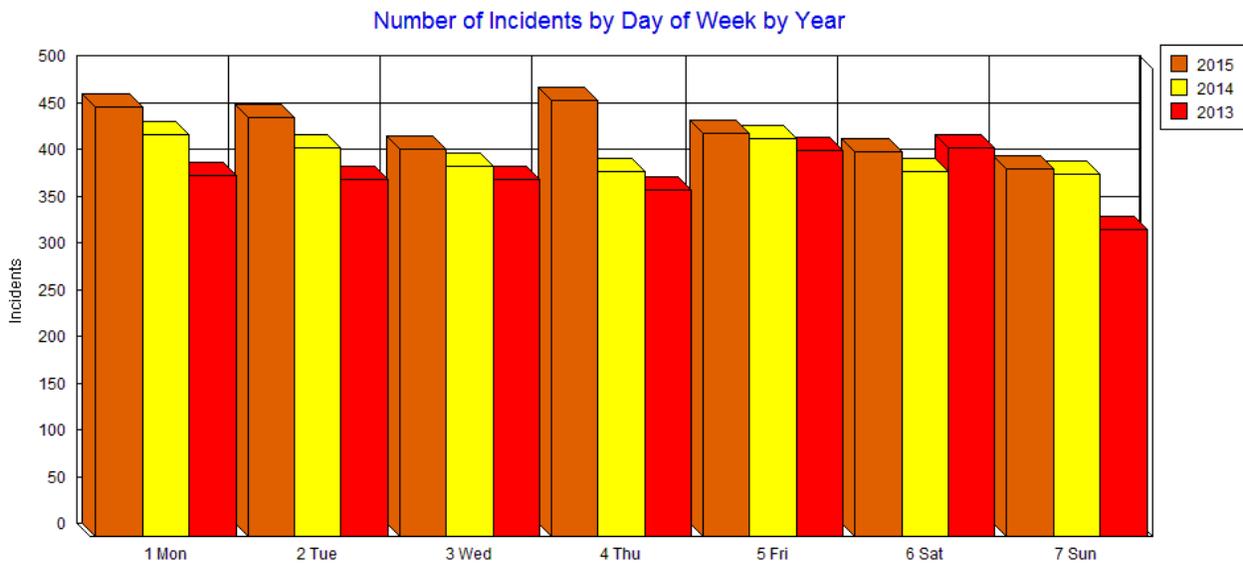
Figure 17 shows that service demand fluctuates by month from about 170 calls for service to about 290 calls, with no dramatic seasonal patterns.

Figure 17—3-Year Service Demand by Month



Service demand, as shown in Figure 18, dips slightly during mid-week.

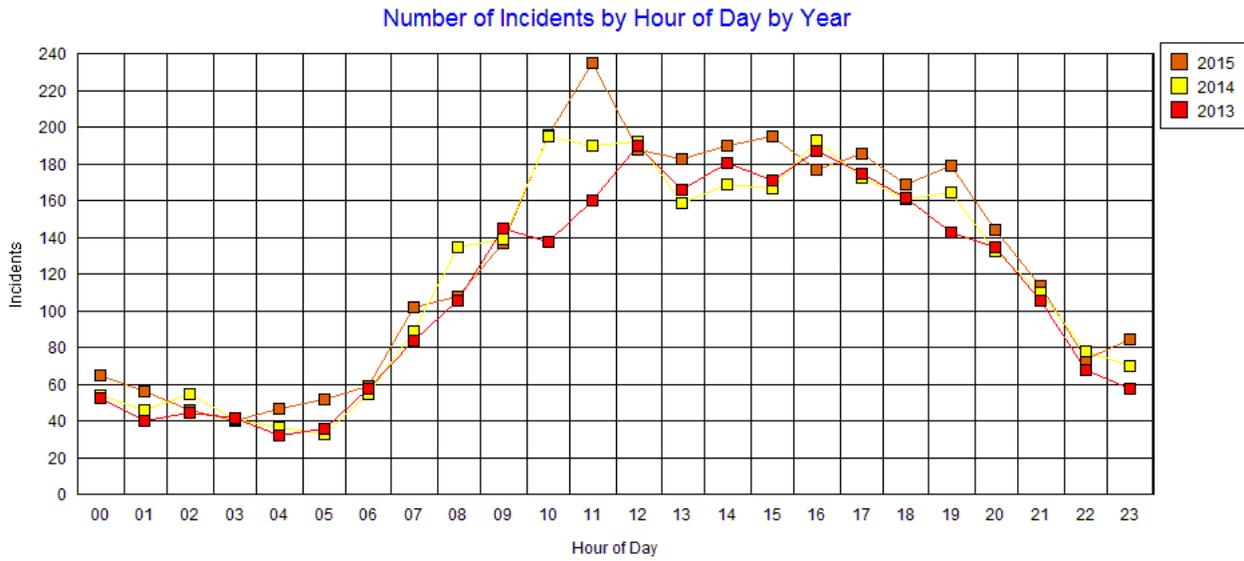
Figure 18—3-Year Service Demand by Day of Week



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This following graph compares incident activity by hour of day. The graph follows traditional fire department activity hours. The annual increase in incident activity appears to be roughly during business hours.

Figure 19—3-Year Number of Incidents by Hour of Day by Year



5.2.4 Service Demand by Incident Type

Table 40 shows annual service demand by incident type. Notice the strong ranking for EMS-related incidents and incidents cancelled prior to arrival. Only categories with 10 or greater occurrences are shown.

Table 40—2015 Service Demand by Property Type

Incident Type	2015
321 EMS call, excluding vehicle accident with injury	1,772
611 Dispatched & canceled en route	205
541 Animal problem	155
322 Vehicle accident with injuries	111
554 Assist invalid	70
324 Motor vehicle accident no injuries	66
510 Person in distress, other	62
571 Cover assignment, standby, moveup	44
700 False alarm or false call, other	38
550 Public service assistance, other	37
622 No incident found on arrival of incident address	28
511 Lock-out	28
500 Service Call, other	28
743 Smoke detector activation, no fire - unintentional	25
111 Building fire	23
733 Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	20
600 Good intent call, other	17
143 Grass fire	15
531 Smoke or odor removal	14
735 Alarm system sounded due to malfunction	14
131 Passenger vehicle fire	13
745 Alarm system sounded, no fire - unintentional	10

5.2.5 Incident Quantities by Property Use

The following chart illustrates the ranking of incidents by property use. The highest rankings for incidents by property use are residential dwellings followed by streets and roads. Only categories with 10 or greater occurrences are shown.

Table 41—Incidents: 2015 Quantity by Property Use

Property Use	2015
419 1 or 2 family dwelling	1,358
960 Street, other	136
331 Hospital - medical or psychiatric	125
429 Multifamily dwellings	82
961 Highway or divided highway	57
311 24-hour care Nursing homes, 4 or more persons	51
962 Residential street, road or residential driveway	49
340 Clinics, Doctors offices, hemodialysis centers	44
215 High school/junior high school/middle school	41
500 Mercantile, business, other	36
963 Street or road in commercial area	34
931 Open land or field	33
965 Vehicle parking area	28
459 Residential board and care	23
599 Business office	21
519 Food and beverage sales, grocery store	20
342 Doctor, dentist or oral surgeon's office	18
900 Outside or special property, other	17
213 Elementary school, including kindergarten	15

5.2.6 Simultaneous Activity

Simultaneous activity includes incidents that begin while other incidents are already underway. For 2015, 18.86% of all calls for service involved two concurrent incidents, as shown in Table 42.

Table 42—2015 Concurrent Activity

Concurrent Activity	Percentage of Overall Service Demand
1 or more concurrent incidents	18.86%
2 or concurrent incidents	2.41%
3 or more concurrent incidents	0.33%

Source: Department incident records

Figure 20—Simultaneous Activity by Station

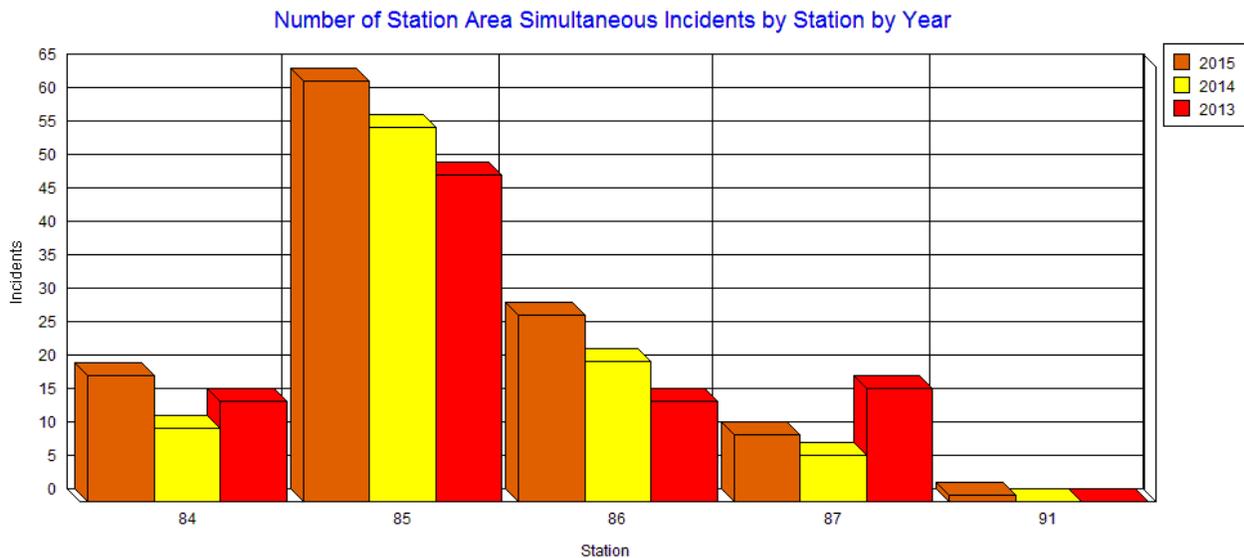


Figure 20 shows concurrent activity by station by year. As would be expected, Station 85 has the highest concurrent activity. However, the 2-incident rate of almost 19% is not worrisome in a Department with the quantity of units and mutual as that the Department has.

5.2.7 Unit-Hour Utilization

Unit-hour utilization percentage is calculated by two primary factors; the number of responses and duration of responses. Table 43 is a unit-hour utilization summary for 2015 with the busiest companies are listed first.

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Table 43—2015 Unit Hour Utilization

Hour	M85	E84	E86	E87	T85	E85	E91
00:00	5.74%	1.50%	1.52%	1.42%	1.75%	0.57%	0.00%
01:00	5.34%	1.49%	6.10%	1.96%	1.49%	0.15%	0.00%
02:00	3.17%	1.78%	3.12%	1.02%	2.43%	0.20%	0.00%
03:00	3.74%	1.08%	2.02%	0.74%	1.64%	0.37%	0.00%
04:00	3.51%	3.43%	1.99%	1.32%	4.23%	0.62%	0.00%
05:00	4.81%	1.57%	2.18%	1.88%	1.05%	0.54%	0.00%
06:00	3.88%	1.59%	1.88%	1.87%	0.89%	0.31%	0.00%
07:00	9.02%	6.51%	2.11%	2.51%	2.17%	0.56%	0.00%
08:00	7.14%	4.08%	1.70%	3.19%	3.92%	0.40%	0.11%
09:00	8.41%	3.73%	2.53%	2.21%	2.50%	0.37%	0.33%
10:00	15.03%	11.66%	3.46%	5.36%	7.67%	1.05%	0.35%
11:00	14.45%	9.56%	3.81%	4.48%	3.90%	0.87%	0.83%
12:00	12.44%	4.09%	5.48%	3.93%	4.75%	1.03%	0.12%
13:00	11.91%	4.21%	3.98%	2.80%	3.41%	2.40%	0.68%
14:00	14.20%	4.76%	9.68%	11.30%	3.00%	1.04%	0.80%
15:00	11.43%	6.01%	4.95%	4.22%	5.64%	5.06%	1.60%
16:00	11.53%	5.95%	4.49%	3.88%	3.28%	2.30%	0.72%
17:00	12.76%	3.84%	3.47%	2.75%	3.29%	0.62%	0.00%
18:00	9.56%	5.34%	4.29%	5.73%	3.34%	0.92%	0.13%
19:00	11.24%	4.59%	2.49%	5.27%	3.68%	0.90%	0.14%
20:00	8.00%	4.97%	3.21%	3.09%	2.72%	0.79%	0.00%
21:00	7.37%	3.84%	2.62%	1.71%	2.53%	0.73%	0.00%
22:00	5.42%	2.30%	1.46%	1.37%	2.59%	0.23%	0.00%
23:00	7.67%	2.67%	4.20%	2.06%	1.83%	0.33%	0.00%
Overall	8.66%	4.19%	3.45%	3.17%	3.07%	0.93%	0.24%
Responses	1,686	707	559	589	673	172	34

What should the maximum utilization percentage for a firefighting resource be? For a 9-hour daytime work period, when crews on a 24-hour shift need to also pay attention to apparatus and equipment checkout, station maintenance, training, public education, and incident reports, plus required physical training and meal breaks, Citygate believes the maximum commitment UHU per hour should not exceed 30%. Beyond that, the most important element to suffer will be training.

For a dedicated unit, such as an ambulance or low acuity squad working less than a 24-hour shift, then UHU can rise to 40-50% at a maximum. At that UHU level, peak hour squad crews must then have additional duty days for training only, and not responding to incidents, in order to meet their annual continuing education and training hours requirements.

For the Department, the modest hourly service demand shown above and associated incident commitment time is not yet high enough to consider needing additional unit(s) solely for peak hour workload. Department resources have additional capacity for more incident workload per hour *absent a significant increase in concurrent activity*.

5.3 RESPONSE TIME ANALYSIS

Once incident types are quantified, incident analysis shifts to the time required to respond to those incidents. Fractile analysis tracks the percentage (and number) of incidents meeting defined criteria, such as the first unit to reach the scene within progressive time segments.

5.3.1 Department-Wide Response Time Performance

Department residents, businesses, and visitors measure the speed of fire department response from the time assistance is requested until the assistance arrives. This measurement is called “Call to First Unit Arrival” (or “Call to Arrival”). Police and sheriff’s departments, under state law, serve as Public Safety Answering Points (PSAP) for all 9-1-1 calls. All 9-1-1 calls for fire service within the Department are routed to the CAL FIRE Amador - El Dorado Emergency Communications Center in Camino for call processing and dispatch.

Based on national recommendations, Citygate’s response time test goal is 90% Call to Arrival in 7 minutes (420 seconds) or less, incorporating three component elements as follows:

- Call Processing Time:** 1 minute or less to receive the call, determine the appropriate resources to dispatch, and alert (dispatch) the appropriate crew(s) crew).
- Turnout Time:** 2 minutes or less to receive the dispatch alert, don required protective gear, and board the apparatus and fasten seat belt.
- Travel Time:** 4 minutes or less travel time to the incident for urban/suburban population densities.

Table 44 shows 90th percentile Call to First Unit Arrival times for the overall Department, and also by station by year *for fire and emergency medical* incidents.

Table 44—90th Percentile Call to Arrival Response Performance

Station	Overall	2013	2014	2015
<i>Department-Wide</i>	11:45	11:30	12:04	11:31
84	11:30	11:10	12:10	11:02
85	12:07	12:18	12:23	11:41
86	11:45	11:41	11:57	11:24
87	10:42	10:21	10:39	11:16
91	15:02	N/A	10:01	15:22

The 90th percentile Call to Arrival times in Table 44 above are beyond the Citygate-recommended 7 minutes or less in urban/suburban areas, or rural areas for Station 91. The next set of tables will present the individual segments of total response time—dispatch time, crew turnout time, and travel time—to better understand which measure(s) are contributing to the total response time being significantly longer than desired.

Finding #10: Department total response times are significantly longer than best practice and Citygate’s customary recommendation for *urban/suburban* communities with mostly flat terrain of 7 minutes or less from receipt of the call at fire dispatch to arrival at the incident in both urban/suburban and rural areas.

5.3.2 Dispatch Call Processing Time

Call processing time is the time it takes to answer a 9-1-1 call transferred from the Sheriff to the CAL FIRE Emergency Communications Center, determine the nature of the emergency, enter information into the computer-aided-dispatch system, and alert the appropriate station(s). Best practice call processing performance is 90% of calls dispatched within 64 seconds, and 95% of calls dispatched within 106 seconds.²³ Where language barriers exist, or medical self-help instructions are needed, these calls should be dispatched within 120 seconds. Table 45 shows 90th

²³ NFPA 1710 *Standard for the Deployment of Fire Suppression Operations, Emergency Medical Operations, and Special Operations to the Public by Career Fire Departments* (2016 Edition)

percentile dispatch call processing performance for the CAL FIRE Amador-El Dorado Emergency Communications Center.

Table 45—90th Percentile Dispatch Call Processing Performance

Location	Overall	2013	2014	2015
Department-Wide	02:16	02:14	02:17	02:16

As Table 45 shows, dispatch call processing performance, while trending fairly steady from year-to-year, is well over best practice performance standards. This is primarily due to CAL FIRE’s dispatch procedures that are tailored to a large, statewide wildland fire organization where total response times are significantly longer than most local jurisdiction emergency incident responses.

Finding #11: The Department’s 90th percentile dispatch processing time is consistently well past best practices for urban/suburban fire and EMS incidents. The Department and CAL FIRE must make a concerted effort to significantly improve dispatch processing, and if the time cannot meet urban area needs, then the Department should research joining the Sacramento Regional Fire Communications JPA, which dispatches Folsom, its nearest, most-staffed mutual aid partner.

5.3.3 Turnout Time

Turnout time is the time interval required for all crew members to hear and understand the dispatch notification, don appropriate safety clothing, determine the most appropriate response travel route, and to board the apparatus and fasten their safety belts prior to apparatus movement. While the NFPA and CFAI recommend 60-80 seconds for turnout time, it has long been recognized as a standard rarely met in practical experience. Because of this, and the floor plan design of some stations, Citygate has long recommended a more reasonable and achievable 90th percentile turnout time standard of 2 minutes or less. Table 46 summarizes the Department’s 90th percentile turnout time performance for the previous three years.

Table 46—90th Percentile Turnout Time Performance

Location	Overall	2013	2014	2015
Department-Wide	02:29	03:13	02:22	01:48

As Table 46 shows, overall Department turnout time performance was approximately 63% slower than Citygate’s recommended 2-minute performance goal for 2013, which improved significantly for 2014 to approximately 17% slower than Citygate’s recommended 2-minute goal, and improved again for 2015 to nearly 13% *faster* than Citygate’s recommended 2-minute turnout time performance goal. It should also be noted that Department staff have determined that they have noticed a significant time lag from the time the CAL FIRE Emergency Communication Center transmits dispatch alert tones to the time they open up the station radio receivers. To date, neither the Department nor CAL FIRE has been able to determine the cause of this delay, and in 2015 the Department implemented a third-party application to track dispatch times more closely aligned with the actual transmission of the dispatch alert tones. This is likely at least a partial explanation for the significant reduction in crew turnout time performance in 2015.

Finding #12: The Department’s 90th percentile turnout time performance has improved over the previous two years to a level consistently below 2 minutes for all stations, which is good progress. A robust goal would be a 90-second turnout time. The Department’s goal for turnout time should be 2-minutes at night and closer to 90-seconds during waking hours.

5.3.4 Travel Time

Travel time is the time interval from the start of apparatus movement to the incident until the apparatus comes to a complete stop at the incident. Nationally recognized best practice travel performance is 4 minutes or less for urban/suburban areas²⁴. Given the topography in each fire station area, and the low count of incidents in some districts, the following table breaks down travel time by district:

²⁴ NFPA 1710 *Standard for the Deployment of Fire Suppression Operations, Emergency Medical Operations, and Special Operations to the Public by Career Fire Departments* (2016 Edition)

Table 47—90th Percentile Travel Time Performance

District	2015 Time / Count
84-A	12:04 (34)
84-B	06:51 (31)
84-C	05:06 (126)
84-D	05:14 (14)
84-E	06:29 (41)
84-F	04:51 (87)
84-G	08:18 (45)
84-H	09:17 (17)
85-A	05:02 (167)
85-B	05:19 (36)
85-C	04:28 (151)
85-D	05:27 (72)
86-A	07:15 (41)
86-B	07:21 (93)
86-C	06:17 (68)
86-D	05:55 (42)
86-E	10:19 (10)
87-A	06:02 (137)
87-B	06:59 (22)
87-C	06:52 (77)
87-D	04:22 (57)
87-E	05:56 (29)
87B	03:14 (1)
91-A	12:39 (14)
91-B	12:43 (7)
91-C	17:47 (14)

Citygate’s analysis finds that Department travel times in many districts do not meet nationally recognized best practices for urban/suburban areas by a significant margin. Several factors influence this, including large geographic fire station service areas, hilly topography, a non-grid

road network, limited cross-access boulevards, simultaneous incidents, open spaces, and security gates, none of which can be cost-effectively improved.

However, there are 14 districts that contain urban/suburban population density. Of these, two have travel times less than 5 minutes, and they are the higher population/incident demand areas close to Stations 84 and 85. Another six have travel times less than 6 minutes. Three others have travel times less than 7 minutes. Out of 14 zones, 8, or 57% of the zones, are reached in under 6 minutes. Another 21% have travel times less than 7 minutes. To place this in perspective, Citygate has metropolitan fire department clientele that cannot easily achieve less than 6 minutes in areas with far greater populations.

In addition, total incident quantities must be taken into account. Citygate always recommends deployment that “covers the most incidents in the least time...”. Of the 1,433 incidents in 2015 measured in Table 47, 68% of the incidents are in the urban/suburban population density zones. *Of these 48.5% receive travel times of less than 6 minutes.* Given that some of these zones also have some rural edges to them, we can effectively say that 50% of the Department’s incidents are receiving travel times of less than 6 minutes, on a challenging topography and road network.

Finding #13: The Department’s very constrained road network over difficult terrain makes it unfeasible to deliver first-due travel times of 4 minutes to all of the urban/suburban population density areas. Given this, the Department should adopt revised performance measures tiered to population density.

5.3.5 Effective Response Force (First-Alarm) Performance to Building Fires

The Department’s ERF for building fires is 5 engines (2 from mutual aid), 1 ladder truck, 1 ambulance, and 2 chief officers. This response force is needed to provide enough units when fires are very serious at the time of the 9-1-1 call. However, in a given year, there are few building fires in each station area where the entire force, including mutual aid units, are needed. Therefore, the following multi-unit response time sample size is very small.

The best representation for the ERF or first-alarm units is **travel** time across the Department’s road network as shown in Table 48. NFPA 1710 recommends all units arrive within 8 minutes travel time or less. The numbers in parentheses in Table 48 next to the arrival time of the last due unit is the number of occurrences for that year per station area. The reader is cautioned that some of these sample sizes are very small and can readily change year-to-year depending on the exact locations of serious fires and the various units’ availability. A “no occurrence” (designated by a blank cell) simply means that there were no building fires in the station areas listed where **all** of the units dispatched arrived at the incident.

Table 48—90th Percentile ERF Travel Time Performance:

Station	Overall	2013	2014	2015
<i>Department-Wide</i>	12:46 (11)	10:19 (2)	15:29 (4)	12:46 (5)
84	15:29 (2)		15:29 (1)	10:15 (1)
85	09:09 (7)	08:38 (1)	08:16 (2)	12:46 (4)
87	10:19 (2)	10:19 (1)	06:47 (1)	

Finding #14: The Department’s travel time for the last needed unit to arrive at serious building fires, known as the Effective Response Force (ERF or First Alarm), ranging from 10:15 to 12:46, are longer than a NFPA 1710 recommendation of 8 minutes travel time for the last-due unit in urban/suburban populations. As with first-due units, the Department should adopt tiered ERF measures by population density.

SECTION 6—SOC EVALUATION AND RECOMMENDATION

6.1 OVERALL EVALUATION

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OVERALL EVALUATION

The Department serves very diverse population densities and land use patterns, from higher-density urban uses to open rural rangeland and open spaces. In addition, the Department’s non-grid road network and varying topography limit response travel times to many areas of the Department. Population drives service demand, and development brings population. The Department has historically funded high quality fire services, even during the recession, and continues to do so. Service demand within the Department is modest, reflecting the positive socioeconomics of the area.

The Department will need both a first-due firefighting unit and Effective Response Force (First Alarm) coverage available for all populated areas of the Department if the risk of fire is to be limited to the room(s) of origin, and/or wildland fires are to be stopped when small. While residential fire sprinklers are now included in the state fire codes, it will be decades before the existing housing stock will be upgraded or replaced, even as these codes are applied to all new construction.

While the volume and response times to EMS incidents consume much of the Department’s attention, all communities need a “stand-by and readily available” firefighting force. For its current risks and likely desired outcomes, the Department has a sufficient quantity of fire engines (pumpers) and one aerial ladder truck spaced across the Department’s most populated areas. However, serving all areas within national best practice recommendations for travel time on a non-grid road network, with hilly topography cannot be accomplished in a cost effective manner. There is not enough risk, incidents, or tax base to support more fire stations for what would be very few incidents per added fire station crew—in the existing urban/suburban population density zones.

However, the County could continue to approve developments that convert rural areas to urban/suburban population densities. Thus a population-density-driven response time policy will provide the Department a basis upon which to *add more fire stations* if the County’s approvals of development add more urban/suburban population density zones. The Department should also have a “trigger point” policy for adding fire stations.

In addition to a trigger point for added fire stations, apparatus and crews, the Department must adopt and keep current new development impact fees so new development pays its fair share of capital costs per state law. Given the uncertainty of actual urban/suburban development at this writing in mid-2016, it is not practical to say exactly how many more fire stations the Department might need. Citygate reviewed the proposed new development plans the County is considering,

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and IF all the proposed development were to occur, the Department will likely need to add 1-2 fire stations, plus apparatus and staffing, some of which will be dependent on the final road connections built to existing fire station service zones. For these issues Citygate will recommend the Department use its updated deployment time goals and on-going geographic modeling to show the County and development applicants what the Department’s fire station requirements will be for various proposed plans.

There are many variables to adding fire stations, in addition to population, at build-out of a master planned community. These include the exact mix of development from housing to commercial/industrial risks, and the pace of development over the years. A typical recommendation of Citygate’s is that when an added fire station will be required at build-out of a new area, that the station and crew shall be operational when 50% of the residential units are given occupancy final permit clearance.

At the present time, instead of adding infill fire stations to existing urban/suburban population density areas, Citygate will recommend the Department look at its staffing at Station 85 and increase it slightly to add more redundancy when Ambulance 85 is out of the Department serving the greater West Slope Ambulance JPA service area.

This regional stress on Ambulance 85 is one factor affecting the Department’s ERF staffing for serious multi-unit incidents. The greater service area for Ambulance 85 also adversely impacts that unit’s first-due travel time to both fire and EMS-related incidents within the Department. However, given the Department’s paramedic staffing on its other fire units, and its ambulance mutual aid plan with Folsom, the negative ambulance *transport* capabilities impact is mitigated. But when Ambulance 85 is out of the Department, mutual aid is not timely for first-due staffing for serious fires or simultaneous incident coverage inside the Department.

6.1.1 Deployment Recommendations

Based on the technical analysis and findings contained in this Standards of Coverage study, Citygate offers the following overall deployment recommendations:

Recommendation #1: Adopt Department Board of Directors Deployment Measures Policy:

The Department-elected officials should adopt updated, complete performance measures to direct fire crew planning and to monitor the operation of the Department. The measures of time should be designed to deliver outcomes that will save patients medically salvageable upon arrival and to keep small fires from becoming more serious. Such measures will provide the Department a basis upon which to add more fire stations if the County's approvals of development grow more urban/suburban population density goals.

Recommendation #2: Adopt Response Time Goals Based on Population Density:

The Department should adopt a two-tiered travel time population density driven goal:

First-due urban/suburban populations – 6 minutes travel time to 90% of the incidents.

First-due rural populations – 8 minutes travel time to 90% of the incidents.

First-Alarm units to urban/suburban populations – 9 minutes travel time to 90% of the incidents.

First-Alarm units to rural populations – 12 minutes travel time to 90% of the incidents.

Recommendation #3: Specific Revised Deployment Goals:

3.1 Distribution of Fire Stations: To treat medical patients and control small fires, the first-due unit should arrive within 9:30 minutes/seconds in urban/suburban areas, and 11:30 minutes in rural areas, 90% of the time from the receipt of a 9-1-1 call in the fire dispatch center.

This equates to a 90 second dispatch process time, a 2-minute

company turnout time, and the appropriate population density travel time of 6- or 8-minute travel time.

3.2 Multiple-Unit Effective Response Force for Serious Emergencies:

To confine fires to or near the room of origin, to confine wildland fires to three acres or less when promptly notified, and to treat up to five medical patients simultaneously, a multiple-unit response consisting of a minimum of 3 engines, 1 ladder truck, 1 ambulance or squad, and 2 chief officers totaling 17 personnel within 12:30 minutes in urban/suburban areas and 15:30 minutes in rural areas, 90% of the time from the receipt of a 9-1-1 call in the fire dispatch center.

This equates to a 90 seconds dispatch process time, a 2-minute company turnout time, and the appropriate population density travel time of 9 or 12 minutes.

3.3 Hazardous Materials Response: Provide hazardous materials

response designed to protect the community from the hazards associated with uncontrolled release of hazardous and toxic materials. The fundamental mission of the Department response is to minimize or halt the release of a hazardous substance so it has minimal impact on the community. It can achieve this with a travel time in urban/suburban areas for the first company capable of investigating a HazMat release at the operations level within 6 minutes travel time, 90% of the time. After size-up and scene evaluation is completed, a determination will be made whether to request a regional hazardous materials response team.

3.4 Technical Rescue: Respond to technical rescue emergencies as

efficiently and effectively as possible with enough trained personnel to facilitate a successful rescue. Achieve a travel time for the first company in urban/suburban areas for size-up of the rescue within 6 minutes travel time or less, 90% of the time. Assemble additional resources for technical rescue capable of initiating a rescue within a total response time of 12:30 minutes/seconds, for urban/suburban areas and 15:30 minutes/seconds in rural areas, 90% of the time. Safely complete rescue/extrication to ensure delivery of patient to a definitive care facility.

3.5 Emergency Medical Services: Provide fire unit paramedic services within 9:30 minutes/seconds urban/suburban areas and 11:30 minutes/seconds in rural areas, 90% of the time from the receipt of a 9-1-1 call in the fire dispatch center. The regional ambulance JPA will set the ambulance response time goals periodically.

Recommendation #4: Relocation of Station 91: As funds allow, proceed with the relocation of Station 91 to the site identified by the Department, at the best possible pace, given the poor conditions at the present station.

Recommendation #5: Lower Dispatch Processing Time: The Department and CAL FIRE Camino Dispatch must work on lowering fire and EMS dispatch processing times to national best practice goals. If, due to existing CAL FIRE technology and personnel costs, this cannot be achieved, the Department should explore a dispatch contract with the Sacramento Regional Fire Communications Center.

Recommendation #6: Crew Turnout Time: Maintain a crew turnout time maximum policy of 2 minutes.

Recommendation #7: Increase Station 85 Staffing and Add an EMS Squad: The Department should consider adding a fifth firefighter/paramedic per day to the Ladder 85 crew. Then provide a 2-person EMS squad unit and allow the crew to split when needed into a 3-person team (one of which is a firefighter/paramedic on the ladder and a 2-firefighter/paramedic team on the squad).

When Ambulance 85 is committed to an incident, or posted out of the Department, the EMS squad can provide additional paramedic care, or when the ambulance is available in the Department, the EMS squad can respond to low acuity medical calls that historically have not needed an ambulance transport. Doing so will increase the ambulance's capacity for serious incidents requiring transport.

If funding in the near term is not available for an additional firefighter, then the Department can consider splitting the current 4-person crew into two teams of two, one of which would staff an EMS Squad. If this were to be done initially, Citygate would caution the Department to restrict the EMS squad's service area to within 8-minutes travel time of Station 85 so that if the ladder truck were needed for a fire, the Squad could join up with the ladder truck quickly at another emergency.

Recommendation #8: The District should strive to maintain at least a 2-person staffing model at very rural stations, such as Station 91 and Rescue 83. Perhaps a 3rd position could be provided part-time from a stipend, apprentice/training program type of position.

Recommendation #9: **Adopt and Maintain Impact Fees:** The Department must adopt, and annually keep current, a new facilities and apparatus impact fee policy for new construction when the development cannot be serviced by the Department's adopted response time policies.

SECTION 7—FACILITIES MASTER PLAN REVIEW

7.1 TRAINING CENTER PLAN REVIEW

Citygate Associates, LLC was asked by the El Dorado Hills Fire Department to specifically assess the Department Training Center Business Plan and analysis prepared by Interact Business Group, and to make recommendations that could be incorporated into the Facilities Master Plan.

Citygate reviewed both the December 2, 2015 Final Draft Plan of the El Dorado Hills Fire Department Training Center Business Plan, and the March 2016 updated El Dorado Hills Fire Department Training Center Business Plan. On April 13, 2016, Citygate met with Department staff and conducted an on-site review of the planned development, as well as reviewed other potential locations for a training facility at other Department stations.

7.1.1 Application of Best Practices

Overall, Citygate finds the March 2016 plan to be generally consistent with current best practices for training facilities. On page 28 (Table 3) of the plan, the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) is mentioned as an agency that sets forth standards.

7.1.2 SVORT (Solid, Verifiable, Ongoing, and Realistic Training)

When Citygate reviews a training facility plan, in addition to reviewing the application of best practices, we evaluate whether the proposed training is solid, verifiable, ongoing, and realistic. If the training plan cannot meet those four criteria, it is likely not worth the investment. Therefore, the question becomes, “Will this training site development meet that criteria?”

Solid

The training plan presents a comprehensive list of fire service training in Table 6 – Class List by Name. This list identifies the knowledge, skills, and abilities (KSAs) normally expected of firefighters. If the KSAs are applied, a solid training foundation will be established for the personnel.

Verifiable

The shift battalion chiefs are in charge of each shift and responsible for ensuring that training is completed on their respective shifts. The Department has an established “Mandated Training Policy” and its training program generally follows the guidelines and standards issued by national, statewide, and regional recognized training certification bodies such as the NFPA, the California Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM), and the El Dorado County Emergency Medical Services Authority (LEMSA). Some agencies, such as OSFM, audit the training to ensure that it follows the guidelines.

Ongoing

One of the training challenges for the Department has been the inability to complete some of the training due to the lack of a facility. For example, 39.1% of the training hours in the category of “desired training” are not being completed due to a lack of facilities. Also, 71% of the required annual training is not being completed.

Completion of the training facility will provide the necessary space and props so that companies and individuals can complete their required training in a safe and secure environment under the guidance of qualified trainers.

Realistic

One of the key elements of the plan is that the scope of the project is focused on the unique needs of the Department. The Training Center Business Plan contains a diagram of the planned facility and a list of the features and props that would be used if the plan were developed. Overall, these are consistent with training center planning and not out of line with the needs of the Department. Nevertheless, Citygate recommends several modifications to the plan which would make it more consistent with the fire and emergency services risk found in the Department and develop it into a “total training environment.” These suggestions are discussed in more detail in this report.

7.1.3 Facility Use by Other Agencies

While the Training Center Business Plan lists a significant number of hours that the facility could or would be in use, even under the best of circumstances, the facility will be unused most of the time if solely devoted to the Department’s use. The training props are primarily designed for firefighters; however, the training tower and some of the training areas could be utilized by law enforcement agencies. The classrooms could be utilized for a number of different groups: public, civic, and private. Within a 15- to 20-minute travel radius are a number of fire, law enforcement, and other agencies that would likely occasionally desire to use part of the facility. Department staff has indicated that they are considering the possibility of other agencies utilizing the facility in the future, but have not developed the policies needed for this to occur. According to staff, the policies in the plan are generic and need to be revised before the facility is opened for business, as does a fee schedule to recover usage, maintenance, and repair costs and provide for replacement of props. This is an expensive project and the Department needs to be able to recover its costs and protect itself from liability when other agencies and groups use the facility.

7.2 FACILITY LOCATION REVIEW

For a training facility of the magnitude envisioned in the Department’s plan to be of any value, it must be close enough to the agency’s area of responsibility that two or three companies can practice at the same time and not put the agency at risk. Large departments do this by using a

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“move up and cover” strategy where fire suppression resources are temporarily reallocated to provide coverage in empty station areas. A small agency, such as the Department, with only six stations, does not have the depth of resources to provide that type of coverage. According to Table 49 on the following page, if two companies were to travel to one of the nearby facilities to practice multi-company operations, and a fire started in their coverage area, in the best of circumstances it would be almost 30 minutes before they arrived back within the Department.

One of the key issues surrounding the development of a training facility such as this revolves around the availability of other similar training facilities that could be used within a reasonable distance. Most departments are uncomfortable with a single, in-service company more than 20 to 30 minutes away while training without adjusting coverage. The three training facilities that generally are equivalent to El Dorado Hills’ planned facility are 37 to 38 minutes away under ideal traffic conditions.

As stated in the plan, “The vast majority of classroom and hands-on training is completed while personnel are on duty and subject to emergency response throughout the Department. This fact dictates that personnel remain in the area, ready to respond immediately. Therefore, essential training buildings, props, and assets should be readily available to the on-duty crews within the Department.” Citygate agrees with this statement as the Department must maintain response times when units train.

One company could travel outside the Department, as long as it could return in 30 minutes or less, meaning that the South Placer Fire Protection District’s (SPFPD) small facility at its headquarters in Granite Bay is the only facility available. Other nearby facilities are simply too far away. As importantly, that the type of training that would need to be completed at these remote training facilities are impractical for a single engine company evolution. Meaning, at least two engines would need to travel to the remote training sites to accomplish realistic training evolutions (e.g., hose above ground, standpipe operations, etc.)

At 23 minutes travel time to SPFPD, the Department could risk one engine being out of the Department for three hours of training, plus a half hour travel time back and forth. However, a major training need for the Department is conducting multi-company evolutions. Taking two engines out of the Department for this length of time, with a return time of about 30 minutes (including picking up tools and hose), leaves the Department too vulnerable. By contrast, the proposed EDHFD facility would accommodate multi-company operations and companies could quickly cover vacant stations or respond to an incident.

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Table 49—List of Nearby Training Facilities and their Distances and Travel Times¹

Facility Agency	Location	Travel Time in Minutes	Distance in Miles
El Dorado Hills Station 87	468 Golden Foothill Parkway, El Dorado Hills	0	0
South Placer Fire Protection District	6900 Eureka Road, Granite Bay	23	15
CAL FIRE Academy	4501 CA-104, Lone	34	27
Sierra College	4975 Sierra College Blvd., Loomis <i>Planned training facility</i>	37	21
Roseville Fire Department	2030 Hilltop Circle, Roseville	38	23
Cosumnes Fire Department	10573 East Stockton Blvd., Elk Grove	38	28
Georgetown Volunteer Fire Department	6281 Main Street, Georgetown	47	31

¹ All travel times and distances were taken from Google Maps under ideal conditions and reflect travel from the El Dorado Hills Station 87.

Given the distance to the other facilities in the region, there is a great likelihood that other nearby fire agencies will want to utilize the Department’s training facility. There are seven or eight fire agencies in El Dorado County, the Folsom Fire Department, and the Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District, all with stations close enough to benefit from this facility once it is developed.

One of the other issues raised in this review was the ideal location of the training facility and whether the suggested location on the property of Station 87 (4680 Golden Foothill Parkway, El Dorado Hills), or another Department-owned facility, would best meet the Department’s needs. The Department staff shared with Citygate the short analysis titled *Pros/Cons of Station 86 Versus 87* for the location of the training facility.

As shown in Table 50, Citygate examined the travel time to training as a factor in determining which site is preferable.

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Table 50—Distances from El Dorado Hills Fire Stations to the Training Facility¹

Station	Address	Time in Minutes to 87	Distance in Miles to 87	Time in Minutes to 86	Distance in Miles to 86
84	2180 Francisco Drive, El Dorado Hills	12	6.5	7	3.3
85	1050 Wilson Blvd., El Dorado Hills	8	3.1	8	4.4
86	3670 Bass Lake Road, El Dorado Hills	13	6.8	0	0
87	4680 Golden Foothill Parkway, El Dorado Hills	0	0	9	5.3
91	7660 South Shingle Road, Shingle Springs	11	7.3	17	12
92	7400 Ryan Ranch Road, Shingle Springs	6	3.6	13	8.2
	Average Travel Time to Training	10		11	

¹ All travel times and distances were taken from Google Maps under ideal conditions.

The difference is minor, but as more stations are added to the south of the current Department boundary, the Station 87 site will best serve the Department. If more stations are added to the east, the Station 86 site will best serve the Department.

Finding #15: Training Center Site: After visiting both sites, clearly the Station 87 site is preferable. There is plenty of room to develop and expand, it is in a commercial zone as opposed to the residential zone of Station 86, and the Department already obtained a local Special Use Permit.

7.3 TOTAL TRAINING ENVIRONMENT CONCEPT

In order to maximize the value of the training facility, its development and design has to incorporate the *total training environment* concept. In the total training environment concept, every aspect of the training facility is focused on training and imparting knowledge, skills, and abilities about the culture, traditions, policies, procedures, and methods of the Department. In a total training environment, photographs on the wall and artwork are just as important as the lesson plan and instructor. The facility's development also should incorporate interactive emergency operations and firefighting “*games*,” and ever-changing videos to be modern and relevant and provide multiple learning methods to reinforce critical training concepts for firefighters. If the training center is properly developed, a firefighter entering the facility for a visit of any purpose will leave with some new knowledge, skill, or ability he or she did not have before entering.

In the total training environment, every firefighter is an instructor and has an opportunity to share lessons learned on the last fire, traffic collision, rescue, or medical emergency through a variety of mediums. The culture then becomes one of learning and teaching.

Finally, in the total training environment, the facilities themselves reflect the typical and atypical hazards that are present in the community the department serves. While the frequency of fire occurrence is down considerably, primarily due to modern prevention codes and guidelines, the frequency of firefighter deaths in fires has almost doubled since the 1970s. This is due to a combination of factors: less frequent fires mean fewer opportunities to practice necessary skills; modern furnishings and finishes are more combustible because the use of synthetics; modern residences are larger than legacy (pre-1970) structures; and many of the modern construction techniques do not hold up well when exposed to fires. Solid, verifiable, ongoing, realistic training is the key to managing these risks so that firefighters go home to their families at the end of each shift.

7.3.1 Training Grounds

The site itself should be developed to replicate the real life environment of El Dorado Hills as much as practicable. Grading, landscaping, and placement of buildings and props should all be carefully considered in the overall site design.

Recommendation #10: Training Center Physical Design: When grading the area for the training facility, leave as much untouched as possible. Build up a fairly steep embankment where the live fire training burn building is to be located. Utilize the entry driveway to simulate the varying grade curved roads, intersections, and divided roads found in El Dorado Hills. This will create much more realistic challenges for auto extrication and vehicle operation training. As the name implies, very little of El Dorado Hills is flat. The hands-on training ground should be sloped so that local terrain is always at the forefront of the firefighter’s mind in training and on duty.

7.3.2 Two/Three-Story Commercial and Residential Burn Building

Some of the most dangerous risks to firefighters are the large homes that are found throughout the area. They have the characteristics of a small commercial building with one important difference: people live there. Flashover in a large open space such as a 2,000-3,000 square foot living room is quite different than flashover in the average single-family dwelling. It is much easier to get lost in these buildings in the dark and smoke, and since they are residences, it is unlikely the firefighters have had a chance to inspect or tour them. Many of these homes have unique features such as elevators and indoor swimming pools. The contents are often highly valuable, the security systems are unique, and there are too many other possible valuable features to describe. While it is not feasible to develop a live fire burn building the size of a mansion, the two/three-story live fire building could have a much larger footprint, three or four times larger than its current 735 square feet. With movable walls, such a facility could come much closer to imitating the kinds of challenges faced in these large structures.

While in-fill is taking hold in larger cities, suburban communities are developing their own centers and identities, and large commercial structures are being constructed in suburban communities. El Dorado Hills is no exception. Multi-story and tilt-up concrete walled commercial office and manufacturing structures are found in the flatter parts of the community. These present another set of challenges to firefighters that need to develop the knowledge, skills, and abilities to combat the rare but occasional fire that occurs.

Figure 21—New Commercial Developments



New commercial developments present big city fire problems to suburban fire agencies.

Figure 22—Tilt-up Construction



Tilt-up construction, as shown in this example, often have large expanses of open space where fires can spread, flashover is more intense, roof ventilation is required to remove smoke, and firefighters can easily lose their sense of direction in the smoke.

7.3.3 Ascending and Descending Homes

Not only are ascending and descending homes large, they are also situated on hillsides and labeled by firefighters as “ascending” or “descending.”

Figure 23—Typical Ascending Home



In a typical ascending home, the top of the house is about five stories from the street level requiring the aerial ladder for access. In some cases, it is faster to use the ladder for front-door access and water supply.

As a rule, ascending homes are located above the street and require “ascending” the driveway to reach the front entrance. Ascending homes pose challenges to firefighters because fire suppression tools and supplies need to be carried up to the fire scene by hand since most driveways are not designed to accommodate a fire engine.

By contrast, descending homes are generally located below the road.

Figure 24—Typical Descending Home



In a typical descending home, the driveway is not adequate for a fire engine and all hose lines, tools, ladders, and other equipment must be carried down from the street.

Descending homes pose challenges to firefighters because entry into the home occurs above the fire, which is often the most dangerous place to be. Otherwise, hose lines need to be stretched around to the lower side of the house.

Figure 25—Descending Home with Top Story at Street Level



In a descending home with the top story at street level, if a fire occurs in any of the lower floors, firefighters will be entering the fire building above the fire, which is the most dangerous place to be.

Recommendation #11: Live Fire Training Building Design: The residential live fire burn structure should be developed so that it is set into a hillside to present both the ascending and descending aspects of structures in El Dorado Hills. This will be a challenge, but it is achievable. Such a live fire burn structure would be unique and costlier than the one proposed in the existing training plan; however, it would reflect the reality that firefighters face in these unique structures. It would also be a draw for firefighters from throughout the region who are faced with similar challenges. Moreover, simultaneously it could be used for the more commonly-found residential structures, as well as modern apartment buildings.

7.3.4 Four-Story Drill Tower Training Building

The four-story drill tower training building must have a large enough foot print that each side can represent a unique aspect of the common taller buildings in El Dorado Hills. Features such as window size and placement, wall type, balconies, and parapets all create challenges for firefighters.

Figure 26—Four-Story Tower



A four-story tower is needed to replicate the challenges found in a four-story building.

7.3.5 Classroom Building

Clean and practical classroom size are both listed in the plan at 35 students. The Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM) allows as many as up to 40 students to be in a class depending on the course, and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) allows up to 32 students, with two instructors if more than 15 students are in the class. Building a classroom large enough to accommodate 40 students creates the ability to train more people with any given curriculum.

Recommendation #12: Training Center Staff Spaces: Eventually, full-time staff will need to be assigned to the training facility. While that may seem to be in the distant future, with current growth rates, it could be needed soon. Training officer and staff facilities should be built into the classroom building from the start.

7.4 REVIEW OF BEST PRACTICES

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1042 *Guide to Building Fire Service Training Centers* is the current best practice for the development of a training facility such as the one the Department is considering. Citygate’s review of the training plan finds it generally in compliance with NFPA 1402, although no mention is made of this best practice in the plan.

A review of the plan indicates further study should be considered on the following from NFPA 1402:

7.4.1 Cost considerations:

(5) Staffing, (7) Maintenance, and (8) Utilities – The facility will require regular maintenance. The Department cannot rely on the adjacent station personnel to perform janitorial work at the facility because the station personnel will be away on calls. Estimates are made in the plan for maintenance; however, the estimates appear low to Citygate. We suggest the Department check with other nearby training facilities to confirm the estimates or provide a more accurate estimate. No mention is made of utility costs. The Department already plans to validate the maintenance estimates.

7.4.2 General:

Citygate suggests the Department reconsider the following spaces and functions which appear to be absent from the plan:

- (1) Administration and support facilities components
 - (a) Offices
 - (b) Conference rooms
 - (c) Library
 - (d) Food service facilities
 - (e) Locker facilities
- (2) Indoor instructional facilities components
 - (a) Storage facilities, there never seems to be enough
- (3) Outside facilities components
 - (a) Helicopter landing site

NFPA 1402 should be referenced constantly during the development of the training site. It provides guidance to the Department that will act as the basis for checklists as the site is developed, the classroom is built, and the props are erected.

Recommendation #13: Training Center Construction Phasing: The construction of the training center could be split into two phases – props and classroom/office.

It is common with training centers to phase their construction based on the working capital needed to construct them. Some uses may be more attractive to contract agency users, and those could be programmed into the first phase to increase cost recovery fees. The final phasing is a cost of funds issue—cash up front, or in phases, versus use of debt financing with the resultant payments over one or two phases. Splitting the center into phases also must not be substantially costlier than doing it all at once. Professional design and cost estimation consultants can assist with this.

The Department is to be commended for investing in a professional business plan for development of its training center. Except for the few recommendations made in this document, the plan appears sound and well considered. If the Department proceeds with this plan, it will have a professional training facility.

SECTION 8—STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW

8.1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Department engaged Citygate Associates, LLC with the task of reviewing its current strategic plan. The current plan, dated 2016-2021, originated in 2012 and was adopted in 2013. The original planning process was facilitated by the Center for Public Safety Excellence (CPSE) and followed the Center’s standard planning model. Each year, on or about the anniversary date of the plan, the Department holds an update session with the Core Strategic Planning Group (Planning Group) and a Board Committee. During this session, the plan is updated by reviewing progress on each goal, and if criteria is met, that goal is closed out. Simultaneously, new goals the Planning Group deems important are added to the plan. Then the plan is submitted to the Board of Directors (BOD) for re-adoption. It is a living document that is always under revision.

To date the Department has completed three of the original six goals, and added two new goals. The plan is now under its third revision. It was recently approved in January 2016 by the BOD.

The strategic planning process Citygate uses is called Applied Strategic Planning (ASP), a planning model based on the work of J. William Pfeiffer, Timothy M. Nolan, Leonard Goodstein, and Jeanette Goodstein. This model has much in common with the CPSE model, as well as some significant differences which lead to different outcomes. In fact, the CPSE model utilizes portions of ASP. A direct comparison of the outcomes of the planning processes is impossible because the models are so different, however, ASP is routinely a very challenging, rigorous process that regularly results in effective, successful plans, and often fundamental, positive changes in organizational operations.

From Citygate’s perspective, strategic planning should be a process by which the guiding members of an organization envision its future and develop necessary procedures and operations to achieve that future. In other words, the strategic plan provides a way for the organization to create its own future. This is the basis for Citygate’s evaluation of the plan.

In summary, Citygate’s review revealed the following strengths and weaknesses of the current plan. These strengths and weaknesses are detailed in the following sections.

8.1.1 Current Plan Strengths

Citygate compliments the Department for taking on the challenge of strategic planning. Despite the fact that Citygate identified some limitations and opportunities for improvement, the fact remains that the Department’s strategic plan is a bold step in the right direction, and gives structure to the Department’s continued improvement.

Some of the strengths of the Department’s strategic plan include the following:

- ◆ The plan engaged the “community” as the major stakeholders in the process. Community members were given an opportunity to make suggestions and help set the agenda for the future.
- ◆ It appears that the planning is continuous, as some of the goals have been marked “completed,” and two new goals have been added.
- ◆ Community expectations are listed in priority order, which could lead to some important planning issues. This list of community expectations could be strengthened further by consolidating the similar expectations and creating a shorter, but more memorable list.
- ◆ The planners identified six strategic initiatives that formed the basis for the goals and objectives developed in their detailed plan. They also identified, by name, the individuals responsible for performing the follow-up work on Goals 1, 2, and 5. This creates ownership for the completion of those goals.
- ◆ Goals 7 (Improve Patient Transport) and 8 (Volunteer Program) were added to the plan to replace goals in the plan that were completed. This was part of the ongoing planning process by the Planning Group.
- ◆ The stakeholders maintain high expectations that the Department put customer service first, which seems to compare well with the number of positive comments on customer service.

8.1.2 Current Plan Limitations

The Department’s Strategic Plan is not perfect. However, *no plan is*. Once a plan is put to use, conditions change; for a plan to be viable it must be updated. These limitations are presented to help the Department as it updates its plan and for any future planning effort.

- ◆ The operating philosophy of the organization is not described in the plan. Operating philosophies provide planners with guidance and direction for the planning process. Even if the Department acquires new leadership, and/or the operating philosophies change, there is still a discernable starting point for re-planning.
- ◆ An organization often needs to make some fundamental change(s) before it can proceed with implementing a plan. This could be as simple as the way it processes some paperwork, or as complex as hiring a new chief executive. These actions are called *strategic thrusts*. The strategic thrusts are not identified as such in this plan. However, these changes were identified in the Goal/Objective section of the plan. Citygate recommends identifying the Strategic Thrusts separately from the Goals and Objectives.

- ◆ In the list of stakeholders’ names, there is no clear identification of their occupations, civic standing, or other information regarding their connection with the Department.
- ◆ Listing all the community expectations and concerns is valuable background information, but consolidating similar comments and developing weighted measures of their importance could have led to more focus on the community’s concerns. This is a common practice in developing consensus.
- ◆ There is no description of the briefing that community members received as part of the process.
- ◆ Table 3 of the Department’s strategic plan lists similar comments in priority order, which is helpful in understanding the Community Expectations. By contrast, Tables 4, 5, and 6—Areas of Community Concern (page 11), Positive Community Feedback (page 14), and Other Thoughts and Comments from the Community (page 17)—appear to be random lists of comments from the stakeholders. Consolidating the comments in each and ranking them would have increased their value as part of the planning process.
- ◆ The Department’s plan encompasses a 5-year planning horizon; Citygate believes that at this point, with pending new development before the County, a 5 to 6-year plan is sufficient.

8.1.3 Overall Evaluation

The current plan is adequate to serve the needs of the Department over the life of the plan, if the goals and objectives are thoroughly developed, regularly reviewed, and updated as conditions and opportunities arise.

The objectives of Goals 1, 2, and 5 should be detailed as completely as the other goals. It appears that some goals were more “favored” than others by the planning staff, and/or the planning staff ran out of energy to invest in the others. This is disconcerting because Goal 1, *Community Relations*, was the most frequently mentioned expectation of the community.

Both the areas of Community Concern (Table 4) and Positive Community Feedback (Table 5) may be based upon a lack of, or incorrect, information. There is a tendency of organizations to look at positive feedback as something it earned, while in fact it may be due to brand misidentification, or a positive feeling about the fire service in general. The data in these tables could be the opinions of one or two highly vocal people, or they could be widely held opinions. The data needs to be critically analyzed to understand its origin and true value.

Recommendation #14: Strategic Plan Life Span: By 2019, the Department will have had six years’ experience with its strategic plan. It will be time to start thinking about the process it will use to thoroughly update the strategic plan. The Department should consider updating the plan with a more rigorous approach that would actually *plan the future rather than plan for the future*. This effort would bring about the following improvements in the plan: (1) it would allow a variety of futures; (2) it would guide the members of the organization to envision the future and develop the necessary procedures and operations to achieve that future; (3) it would develop a strategic management process; and (4) it would extend the planning horizon.

8.2 STRATEGIC PLAN STRENGTHS

Strategic planning is an important step for any organization to take. It is the first step in the organization’s efforts to begin to understand why it is heading a given direction, how it is getting there, and what the outcome will be. We call this the *why, how, and what* model. The “why, how, what” is an inspirational model, and is the way that Citygate approaches these messy challenges to attain some clarity and to intuitively understand the important issues. While unforeseen circumstances always arise, those that plan their future, follow that plan, and continually update that plan have a much higher likelihood of success. That is why simply having a plan in place is important; it can always be adjusted and updated over time.

8.2.1 What Strategic Planning Provides the Organization

Strategic planning provides organizations long-term direction. The length of the term is a decision of the Planning Group; usually it is eight to ten years. The Department chose a term length of five years; if the plan is updated annually, this planning period should suffice. Unfortunately, many organizations will develop a 5-year planning span and forget to update it regularly. Thus, at the end of the planning term, the plan has little resemblance to reality.

Six critical factors must be understood about strategic planning:

1. Strategy is a coherent, unifying, and integrative pattern of decisions.
2. Strategy is a means of establishing an organization’s purpose in terms of its long-term objectives, action plans, and allocation of resources (the real test of a plan is when funds are expended to make the plan come to fruition).

3. A definition of the organization’s competitive domain: what business it really is in.
4. It is a response to internal strengths and weaknesses, and external opportunities and threats.
5. It becomes a logical system for differentiating executive and managerial tasks and roles so that structure follows function.
6. A way of defining the economic contribution the organization will make to its stakeholders.

The Department’s strategic plan satisfies items 1, 2, 4, and 6 of this list. This is an excellent starting point, and, for many agencies, as far as they ever go. Items 3 and 5 on the list are more nuanced and elusive, unless the planning process specifically identifies them as critical parts of the plan’s outcome.

It is not surprising that the Department did not specifically identify what business it really is in. This is often difficult for fire agencies because they think that everyone already knows what business they are in. However, after serious introspection, they often come to the realization that their business is not always exactly what they thought, particularly in terms of strategies.

Once the lines of service of the organization are identified, it is an easy next step to develop an organization chart that supports those strategies with proper executive and managerial roles. Fire service organizations are generally quite good at supporting their emergency response organizations, and generally less so assisting their support functions. A good way to understand this is to look at which functions are eliminated during an economic downturn.

8.2.2 Strategic Thinking

Strategies are the big, long-term activities of the organization. For fire service organizations, these are usually lumped into three groups: core services of fire protection (e.g., prevention and response programs); additional services within the agency’s capacity (e.g., EMS, technical rescue, hazardous materials response, mutual aid); and support services (e.g., training, payroll, human resources, information, legislation, legal affairs). Some agencies, particularly if they are in the ambulance transport business, will identify EMS as its own separate strategy. Usually these three or four strategies are adequate to provide long-term strategic direction to the entire organization.

“Strategic management is not a clean, step by step process. It is not linear, but a messy, iterative process that requires hard work and dedication from most people in the organization to move it toward the future. It represents a new focus for the organization; a focus on a compelling vision of the future,” according to Strategic Management for Senior Leaders: A Handbook for Implementation by Denise Lindsey Wells, Director, Executive Support Division, Department of the Navy Total Quality Leadership Office.

8.2.3 Community Engagement

The plan engaged the “community” as the major stakeholders in the process. Community members were given an opportunity to make suggestions and help set the agenda for the future. It is valuable to include the community in the planning process; it is ultimately these stakeholders who receive the services and pay the bills. Its voice must be compelling.

Community expectations are listed in priority order, which could lead to some important planning issues, particularly after the similar expectations have been consolidated. Consolidating the expectations would have led to the planning priorities. For example, seven of the expectation comments related to training, while 23 of the comments related to the treatment of the community members by the Department personnel. From this, it appears that while training is important, it may be that much of that training needs to be focused on how the Department interacts with the community. Granted, Goal 1 of the Department is Community Relations. However, according to the plan, this goal was completed in February 2015.

8.2.4 Continuous Updating

Keeping a plan alive through continuous updating is one of the most critical factors in having a successful plan. If there is no follow-through, confusion arises at the operational level. This result could lead to cynicism about any improvement efforts.²⁵ It requires leadership commitment to ensure that a plan is updated. There are always other issues that impede progress and require management effort.

It appears that the Department planning effort is continuous, as some of the goals have been marked “completed,” and has added two new goals. The Department should be pleased with its efforts to keep the plan up to date. Charging the Planning Group with that responsibility upon plan completion is an effective way to keep the plan alive. After all, the group that primarily developed the plan will likely want to see the plan be successful.

8.2.5 The Plan’s Strategic Initiatives

The planners identified six strategic initiatives that formed the basis for the goals and objectives developed in its detailed plan. It also identified, by name, the individuals responsible for performing the follow-up work on Goals 1, 2, and 5. This created ownership for the completion of those goals.

²⁵ Op cit. Denise Lindsey Wells

While Citygate’s approach would have identified the initiatives differently so as to connect them to the agency’s functional organization, this is a reasonable list and approach and will provide guidance for the future.

8.3 STRATEGIC PLAN LIMITATIONS

Citygate identified limitations in the Department’s strategic plan that could be remedied in a plan revision. While it might not change the plan’s outcomes, making these revisions would result in a more credible plan.

8.3.1 Operating Philosophy – Guiding Principles

The philosophy of an organization that guides the behavior of its members in the planning process is the operating philosophy, or what we like to label as the organization’s guiding principles. During plan development, the guiding principles help the planners by providing a framework and direction to the planning effort. As the plan is updated, the planners refer to these principles to ensure that each goal and objective is consistent with the principles. The following are three examples of guiding principles that could apply to a strategic plan.

- ◆ There is a greater need for training in basic firefighting skills due to the inexperience of today's entry-level firefighters.
- ◆ The Emergency Medical Services Authority and local medical authority is responsible for developing paramedic, emergency medical technician, and first responder Quality Assurance Standards.
- ◆ In accordance with statute, arson fires will be thoroughly investigated by the Department.

These are simply examples. Every organization has them; they are not always embodied verbally and it may take thoughtful consideration to develop them. Often they are the result of agency history, or they come from the governing body of the agency. Typically, fire service agencies will have between five and ten guiding principles.

8.3.2 Strategic Thrusts

Organizations frequently develop strategic plans, but the plans do not move the organizations in the direction the planners intended; for some reason, the plans flounder. This is usually because the organization is not ready to embrace the plan, and some basic work needs to occur first; changes in the organization need to take place. In strategic planning, these steps are labeled *strategic thrusts*. They are structural changes that an organization must undertake before it can proceed with implementing the plan. Examples include:

- ◆ Making changes or additions to the organizational structure at the leadership level.
- ◆ Complete the activation of new computer software that will allow tracking of project progress and/or completion.
- ◆ Becoming a data driven organization.
- ◆ Operating in the reality of limited resources by making a sound business case for every action.

The Department addressed these issues in the Goals/Objectives part of the plan, however, Citygate recommends identifying the Strategic Thrusts separately from the Goals and Objectives.

8.3.3 Stakeholder Identification

While their names are listed, the relationship of identified stakeholders to the Department is not. For example, whether a stakeholder is a business, or resident, etc., should be identified. The stakeholders should be a cross-section of homeowners, business people, service club members, local officials, and similar types of individuals, so that they truly represent the community. The community stakeholders in the Department’s current strategic plan could be fire service family members, or they could be entirely members of the community who have no relationship to the fire service, or some mix of both. According to Department staff the stakeholders from the community were a mix of homeowners, business owners, service club members, local officials, non-profits, etc. If privacy is an issue, Citygate recommends using generic associations, such as “three local small business owners,” or “one manager of a non-profit,” rather than the names of the individuals. If the stakeholders are not truly a cross-section of the community, that could skew the data and resultant conclusions. Such identification adds further credibility to the plan.

If the Department had consolidated the community expectations, and was trying to meet community expectations, Goal 1 (Community Relations) should have been much more developed in the plan than Goal 3 (Training). However, the Community Relations goal is only slightly developed, and could lead readers to believe that Community Relations is not as important to the Department.

Without a thorough understanding of the fire service and its workings, it is also very difficult for community members to come in “fresh off the street” and make sensible recommendations. According to staff, the stakeholders received a very thorough briefing on the services and activities of the agency, as well as a tour of facilities. This allowed the community members the opportunity to make more sophisticated and in-depth suggestions. Citygate suggests that the briefing and its basic content be mentioned in the next edition of the plan.

Areas of community concern, positive community feedback, and other thoughts and comments from the community are not listed in any priority order, which diminishes their value as part of the planning process.

It is very common for organizations to intend to put most of their plan into effect in the first one or two years. During the planning process, enthusiasm is high and the energy level makes it easy to commit to too much. After the initial enthusiasm wears off and the organization goes back to facing its daily challenges, finding time and energy to execute the plan is difficult. It is often more successful to spread out the plan's execution.

The Department is to be commended for taking the continuous updating approach. All too often goals and objectives for years one and two get met and after that the plan finds itself shelved while other activities take priority.

Strategic plans often take 5 to 10 years to implement fully. With this in mind, do not begin all of the objectives in the first year or two. There are never enough resources to do that, and it is important not to neglect the organization's current mission-sustaining work.²⁶

²⁶ Op cit. Denise Lindsey Wells

8.4 COMPARATIVE EVALUATION

To provide a clear distinction between planning processes, Citygate developed a side-by-side comparison of the two planning models. The Department utilized *Community-Driven Strategic Planning Process*; Citygate uses *Applied Strategic Planning*.

The Community–Driven Strategic Planning Process Outline	Applied Strategic Planning
The specific steps of each process are as follows:	
1. Define the programs provided to the Community.	Plan to plan – understand the planning process
2. Establish the Community’s service program priorities.	Values Scan – values always trump strategy. Clarifying values is contentious, but essential. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Individual values 2. Organizational values 3. Operating philosophy – guiding principles 4. Organizational culture 5. Stakeholders
3. Establish the Community’s expectations of the organization.	Vision of the future – stretch the organization to envision a future that really moves it forward; it should be edgy and uncomfortable.
4. Identify any concerns the Community may have about the organization.	Mission Formulation/Clarification – who we are, what we do, who we serve, how we serve, why we exist. Reflects the driving forces and distinctive competencies of the organization.
5. Identify the aspects of the organization that the Community views positively.	Concurrent with the planning process are two critical steps:
6. Revise the Mission Statement, giving careful attention to the services and programs currently provided, and which logically can be provided in the future.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Environmental Monitoring/inputs – being aware of both internal and external data and forces that constantly shape the planning effort. 2. Application considerations/outputs – acting promptly to respond to a threat or opportunity. Throughout the life of the plan the unforeseen happens creating great opportunities to move forward or to respond to organizational threats; the plan should have flexibility built into it to accommodate.

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7. Revise the values of the organization’s membership.	<p>Strategic business modeling – how the organization can and will fulfill its intended goals; how it will fulfill its mission.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Identify the major lines of service (LOS) that the organization has in place or will develop to fulfill its mission; these become the strategies. 2. Establish critical success indicators – what does success look like in each LOS. 3. Strategic thrusts –certain organizational factors may prevent the organization from executing the plan. Examples are: headquarters reorganization or up-to-date software. 4. Determine what culture is necessary for the organization to achieve success. Changing the culture is extremely difficult.
8. Identify the strengths of the organization.	
9. Identify any weaknesses of the organization.	
10. Identify areas of opportunity for the organization.	
11. Identify potential threats to the organization.	<p>Performance Audit – develop an understanding of the organization’s capacity to move forward (bandwidth).</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. LOS Analysis – determine which LOS are successful or likely to be successful and which are doing poorly or likely to do poorly. 2. SWOT Analysis – determine internal strengths and weaknesses of the organization and external opportunities and threats to the organization. 3. Competitor Analysis – determine what the competitors are doing to affect the performance.
12. Identify the organization’s critical issues.	
13. Identify the organization’s service gaps.	
14. Determine strategic initiatives for organizational improvement.	
15. Establish realistic goals and objectives for each initiative.	<p>Gap Analysis – the ideal future should require the organization stretch. At this point priorities are also set because all gaps cannot be closed simultaneously.</p>
16. Identify implementation tasks for the accomplishment of each objective.	
17. Determine the vision of the future.	<p>Integrating Action Plans – similar in concept to an incident action plan, action plans establish overall strategies, set goals to close the gaps from the gap analysis, develop objectives to reach the goals in an organized manner, assign resources and responsibility for completion, and establish a feedback loop to track progress and adjust the plan over time.</p>

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18. Develop organizational and Community commitment to accomplishing the plan. Values driven strategic planning.	Contingency Planning – while the strategic plan is based on what is likely to happen and affect the organization, there are many events that could affect the plan; these should be listed.
	Implementation – this is the payoff for the planning effort; it is why it is so important to consider the organization’s bandwidth to implement the plan and set priorities.

SECTION 9—NEXT STEPS

9.1 NEXT STEPS

The purpose of this assessment is to compare the Department’s current performance against the local risks to be protected, as well as to compare against nationally recognized best practices. This analysis of performance forms the base from which to make recommendations for changes, if any, in fire station locations, equipment types, staffing, and headquarters programs.

As one step, the Department should adopt updated and best-practices-based response time goals for the differing population density areas served in the Department, and to provide accountability for the Department personnel to meet those standards. The deployment recommendations in this study are designed to meet the Department’s topography and road network design on its rolling hills. Measurement and planning as the Department continues to evolve will be necessary to meet these goals.

Citygate’s recommends that the Department’s next steps be to work through the issues identified in this study over the short-term:

9.1.1 Short-Term Steps

- ◆ Absorb the policy recommendations of this fire services study and adopt updated Department performance measures to drive the deployment of firefighting and emergency medical resources.
- ◆ Work to reduce dispatch time to critical incidents, and keep crew turnout times to less than 2-minutes.
- ◆ Consider funding the recommended increased staffing and squad proposal for Station 85.
- ◆ Update as necessary the Department’s Capital Impact Fees for new development.
- ◆ Maintain, with annual updates, the Department’s Strategic Plan.
- ◆ Consider the Training Facility recommendations for tailoring the plan to El Dorado Hills’ unique needs, and estimate cost to determine if the project can and should be fiscally phased over time.

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APPENDIX A

RISK ASSESSMENT EXHIBITS

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Table 51—Impact Severity Factor Evaluation Criteria – Building Fire¹

Impact Severity Factor	Score	Scoring Guidelines
<i>Building Construction</i>	0	≥90% of buildings are protected non-combustible construction (Type II-A) or better
	1	≥90% of buildings are unprotected non-combustible construction (Type II-B) or better
	2	≥90% of buildings are protected combustible construction (Type III-A) or better
	3	≥75% of buildings are unprotected combustible construction (Type III-B) or better
	4	≥75% of buildings are protected wood-frame (Type V-A) or better
	5	<75% of buildings are protected wood-frame construction (Type V-B) or better
<i>Occupancy Loading</i>	0	≥90% of buildings have less than 10 persons average daily occupancy
	1	≥90% of buildings have less than 25 persons average daily occupancy
	2	≥75% of buildings have less than 50 persons average daily occupancy
	3	≥50% of buildings have less than 100 persons average daily occupancy
	4	≥25% of buildings have more than 250 persons average daily occupancy
	5	≥25% of buildings have more than 500 persons average daily occupancy
<i>Built-In Fire Protection Systems</i>	0	≥95% of buildings have monitored fire sprinkler system and monitored fire detection/alarm system
	1	≥75% of buildings have monitored fire sprinkler system and monitored fire detection/alarm system
	2	≥75% of buildings have automatic fire sprinkler system and local fire detection/alarm system
	3	≥50% of buildings have automatic fire sprinkler system and local fire detection/alarm system
	4	≥25% of buildings have automatic fire sprinkler system
	5	<25% of buildings have automatic fire sprinkler system
<i>Water Supply</i>	0	≥90% of buildings have Needed Fire Flow ² (NFF) available within 300 ft.
	1	≥75% of buildings have Needed Fire Flow ² (NFF) available within 300 ft.
	2	≥50% of buildings have Needed Fire Flow ² (NFF) available within 300 ft.
	3	≥50% of buildings have Needed Fire Flow ² (NFF) available within 500 ft.
	4	≥50% of buildings have Needed Fire Flow ² (NFF) available within 1000 ft.
	5	<50% of buildings have Needed Fire Flow ² (NFF) available within 1000 ft.
<i>Response Capability</i>	0	ERF ³ for all building fire risk, meeting minimum recommended annual training, available with response time ≤15:00 min. @ 90%
	1	ERF ³ for ≥90% of building fire risk, meeting minimum recommended annual training, available with response time ≤15:00 min. @ 90%
	2	ERF ³ for ≥90% building fire risk, meeting minimum recommended annual training, available with response time ≤30:00 min. @ 90%
	3	ERF ³ for ≥75% building fire risk, meeting minimum recommended annual training, available with response time ≤30:00 min. @ 90%
	4	ERF ³ for ≥50% building fire risk available with response time ≤30:00 min. @ 90%
	5	ERF ³ for ≥50% of building fire risk not available, or response time >30:00 min. @ 90%

¹ Significant building fire incident requiring multiple-alarm resources and involving multiple occupancies or a large single high-risk/value occupancy

² Needed Fire Flow as determined by the Insurance Services Office (ISO) criteria

³ Effective Response Force (ERF) – number of personnel required to apply Needed Fire Flow and perform other critical tasks necessary to prevent fire from impacting other values at risk

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Table 52—Impact Severity Factor Evaluation Criteria – Wildland Fire¹

Impact Severity Factor	Score	Scoring Guidelines
Vegetation	0	No flammable vegetation ² within 1000 ft. of $\geq 90\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	1	No flammable vegetation ² within 500 ft. of $\geq 90\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	2	No flammable vegetation ² within 500 ft. of $\geq 75\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	3	No flammable vegetation ² within 300 ft. of $\geq 75\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	4	No flammable vegetation ² within 200 ft. of $\geq 50\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	5	Flammable vegetation ² within 100 ft. of $\geq 25\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
Weather	0	High fire weather factors ⁴ occur together \leq average of 15 days per year
	1	High fire weather factors ⁴ occur together \leq average of 30 days per year
	2	High fire weather factors ⁴ occur together \leq average of 45 days per year
	3	Very high fire weather factors ⁵ occur together \leq average of 30 days per year
	4	Very high fire weather factors ⁵ occur together \leq average of 45 days per year
	5	Very high fire weather factors ⁵ occur together $>$ average of 45 days per year
Topography	0	Average slope $\leq 5\%$; no topographic features ⁶ present within 1/4 mile of $\geq 90\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	1	Average slope $\leq 5\%$; no topographic features ⁶ present within 1/8 mile of $\geq 90\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	2	Average slope $\leq 5\%$; no topographic features ⁶ present within 1/8 mile of $\geq 75\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	3	Average slope $\leq 10\%$; no topographic features ⁶ present within 1/4 mile of $\geq 90\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	4	Average slope $\leq 10\%$; no topographic features ⁶ present within 1/4 mile of $\geq 75\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	5	Average slope $> 10\%$ and/or topographic features ⁶ present within 1/4 mile of $> 25\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
Water Supply	0	Public water supply $\geq 1,000$ GPM within 500 ft. of $\geq 90\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	1	Public water supply ≥ 750 GPM within 500 ft. of $\geq 90\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	2	Public water supply ≥ 750 GPM within 500 ft. of $\geq 75\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	3	Public water supply ≥ 500 GPM within 500 ft. of $\geq 75\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	4	Public or private water supply ≥ 500 GPM within 1000 ft. of $\geq 75\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
	5	Public or private water supply < 500 GPM; or > 1000 ft. of $> 25\%$ of exposed values at risk ³
Response Capability	0	ERF ⁶ for all wildland fire risk, meeting minimum recommended annual training, available with response time $\leq 15:00$ min. @ 90%
	1	ERF ⁶ for $\geq 90\%$ of wildland fire risk, meeting minimum recommended annual training, available with response time $\leq 15:00$ min. @ 90%
	2	ERF ⁶ for $\geq 90\%$ of wildland fire risk, meeting minimum recommended annual training, available with response time $\leq 20:00$ min. @ 90%
	3	ERF ⁶ for $\geq 75\%$ of wildland fire risk, meeting minimum recommended annual training, available with response time $\leq 30:00$ min. @ 90%
	4	ERF ⁶ for $\geq 50\%$ of wildland fire risk available with response time $\leq 40:00$ min. @ 90%
	5	ERF ⁶ for $\geq 50\%$ of wildland fire risk not available, or available with response time $> 40:00$ min. @ 90%

¹ Significant wildland fire incident requiring multiple-alarm resources and impacting multiple values at risk

² Includes more than 5 grouped (less than mature species height spacing) specimens of highly combustible tree and/or brush species, or more than 5,000 ft² of dried annual weeds/grasses more than 6" high

³ Includes occupied buildings; Critical Infrastructure and Key Resources (CIKR); vulnerable populations

⁴ High Fire Weather Factors: Temperature $> 90^\circ$ F.; relative humidity $< 25\%$, wind > 5 mph

⁵ Very High Fire Weather Factors: Temperature $> 95^\circ$ F.; relative humidity $< 15\%$, wind > 10 mph

⁶ Includes box canyon, chimney, ridge, saddle

⁷ Effective Response Force (ERF) – number of personnel required to apply appropriate fire flow and perform other critical tasks necessary to prevent fire from impacting other values at risk

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Table 53—Impact Severity Factor Evaluation Criteria – Medical Emergency¹

Impact Severity Factor	Score	Scoring Guidelines
<i>Population Density</i>	0	Average population density ≤500/sq. mile
	1	Average population density ≤1,000/sq. mile
	2	Average population density ≤2,500/sq. mile
	3	Average population density ≤5,000/sq. mile
	4	Average population density ≤10,000/sq. mile
	5	Average population density >10,000/sq. mile
<i>Population Demographics</i>	0	≤5% of population: under age 10 and/or over age 65 and/or average annual household income ≤ \$25,000
	1	≤10% of population: under age 10 and/or over age 65 and/or average annual household income ≤ \$25,000
	2	≤20% of population: under age 10 and/or over age 65 and/or average annual household income ≤ \$25,000
	3	≤30% of population: under age 10 and/or over age 65 and/or average annual household income ≤ \$25,000
	4	≤40% of population: under age 10 and/or over age 65 and/or average annual household income ≤ \$25,000
	5	>40% of population: under age 10 and/or over age 65 and/or average annual household income ≤ \$25,000
<i>Traffic</i>	0	No highway traffic; no seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog; controlled intersection service level ² A ≥ 90% of the time
	1	Single rural two-lane highway; no seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog; controlled intersection service level ² B or better ≥ 90% of the time
	2	Multiple two-lane rural highways; no seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog; controlled intersection service level ² C or better ≥ 90% of the time
	3	Single multiple-lane highway; seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog; controlled intersection service level ² D or better ≥ 90% of the time
	4	Single multiple-lane freeway; seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog; controlled intersection service level ² E or better ≥ 80% of the time
	5	Multiple 4+ lane freeways; seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog; controlled intersection service level ² F or better ≥ 15% of the time
<i>Pre-Hospital Emergency Care</i>	0	ALS ³ services available ≤ 6:00 min. response time ⁵ @ 90%
	1	ALS ³ services available ≤ 7:00 min. response time ⁵ @ 90%
	2	ALS ³ services available ≤ 8:00 min. response time ⁵ @ 90%
	3	ALS ³ or BLS ⁴ services available ≤ 10:00 min. response time @ 90%
	4	ALS ³ or BLS ⁴ services available ≤ 15:00 min. response time @ 90%
	5	ALS ³ or BLS ⁴ services not available, or available > 15:00 min. response time @ 90%
<i>Hospital Emergency Care</i>	0	Primary emergency room ≤10 min. travel time @ 90%; secondary emergency room ≤20 min. travel time @ 90%; trauma center ≤30 min. travel time @ 90%
	1	Primary emergency room ≤15 min. travel time @ 90%; secondary emergency room ≤30 min. travel time @ 90%; trauma center ≤40 min. travel time @ 90%
	2	Primary emergency room ≤15 min. travel time @ 90%; secondary emergency room ≤30 min. travel time @ 90%; trauma center ≤45 min. travel time @ 90%
	3	Primary emergency room ≤20 min. travel time @ 90%; secondary emergency room ≤35 min. travel time @ 90%; trauma center ≤60 min. travel time @ 90%
	4	Primary emergency room ≤25 min. travel time @ 90%; secondary emergency room ≤45 min. travel time @ 90%; trauma center ≤60 min. travel time @ 90%
	5	Primary emergency room >25 min. travel time @ 90%; secondary emergency room >45 min. travel time @ 90%; trauma center >60 min. travel time @ 90%

¹ Mass-casualty incident requiring multiple-alarm resources and impacting multiple hospitals

² Controlled intersection Level of Service (LOS) – Levels A-F describe delay/queue times for traffic through controlled intersections (US Dept. of Transportation)

³ Advanced Life Support (ALS)

⁴ Basic Life Support (BLS)

⁵ Response Time – time from receipt of 9-1-1 call to arrival of initial response resource

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Table 54—Impact Severity Factor Evaluation Criteria – Hazardous Material Release¹

Impact Severity Factor	Score	Scoring Guidelines
<i>Vulnerable Populations</i>	0	≤5% of population under age 10 and/or over age 65
	1	≤10% of population under age 10 and/or over age 65
	2	≤20% of population under age 10 and/or over age 65
	3	≤30% of population under age 10 and/or over age 65
	4	≤40% of population under age 10 and/or over age 65
	5	>40% of population under age 10 and/or over age 65
<i>Hazardous Material Use/Storage</i>	0	≤1% of occupancies use/store ≤100 lbs./gals. of hazardous materials
	1	≤5% of occupancies use/store ≤500 lbs./gals. of hazardous materials
	2	≤5% of occupancies use/store ≤1,000 lbs./gals. of hazardous materials
	3	≤10% of occupancies use/store ≤2,500 lbs./gals. of hazardous materials
	4	≤10% of occupancies use/store ≤5,000 lbs./gals. of hazardous materials
	5	>10% of occupancies use/store >5,000 lbs./gals. of hazardous materials
<i>Hazardous Material Transportation</i>	0	≤500 lbs./gals. of hazardous material transported into/through risk zone ≤weekly
	1	≤5,000 lbs./gals. of hazardous material transported into/through risk zone ≤weekly
	2	≤10,000 lbs./gals. of hazardous material transported into/through risk zone daily
	3	≤100,000 lbs./gals. of hazardous material transported into/through risk zone daily
	4	≤250,000 lbs./gals. of hazardous material transported into/through risk zone daily
	5	>250,000 lbs./gals. of hazardous material transported into/through risk zone daily
<i>Response Capability</i>	0	Type-I HazMat Team available ≤ 15:00 min. @ 90%; all response personnel trained to HazMat FRO ² level
	1	Type-I HazMat Team available ≤ 30:00 min. @ 90%; all response personnel trained to HazMat FRO ² level
	2	Type-II HazMat Team or better available ≤ 30:00 min. @ 90%; all response personnel trained to HazMat FRO ² level
	3	Type-II HazMat Team or better available ≤ 45:00 min. @ 90%; ≥75% of response personnel trained to HazMat FRO ² level
	4	Type-III HazMat Team or better available ≤ 60:00 min. @ 80%; ≥50% of response personnel trained to HazMat FRO ² level
	5	Type-III HazMat Team or better not available, or available > 60:00 min. @ 80%; <50% of response personnel trained to HazMat FRO ² level
<i>Evacuation Capability</i>	0	Evacuation plan adopted and functionally exercised ≤ every 12 months; multiple EMNS ³ able to effectively notify ≥90% of residents/businesses ≤15:00 mins.; EMNS tested ≤ every 12 months
	1	Evacuation plan adopted and functionally exercised ≤ every 18 months; EMNS ³ able to effectively notify ≥75% of residents/businesses ≤15:00 mins.; EMNS tested ≤ every 18 months
	2	Evacuation plan adopted and evaluated ≤ every 18 months; EMNS ³ able to effectively notify ≥75% of residents/businesses ≤30:00 mins.; EMNS tested ≤ every 24 months
	3	Evacuation plan evaluated ≤ every 24 months; EMNS ³ able to effectively notify ≥50% of residents/businesses ≤30:00 mins.; EMNS tested ≤ every 24 months
	4	Evacuation plan not evaluated; EMNS ³ unable to effectively notify ≥50% of residents/businesses ≤30:00 mins. and/or not tested
	5	No evacuation plan and/or no EMNS available

¹ Incident requiring multiple resources and impacting multiple values at risk (e.g. freight/tank truck collision, freight train derailment, earthquake, explosion, weapon of mass destruction, etc.)

² First Responder Operational (FRO)

³ Emergency Mass Notification System (EMNS)

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Table 55—Impact Severity Factor Evaluation Criteria – Technical Rescue

Impact Severity Factor	Score	Scoring Guidelines
<i>Construction Activity</i>	0	No significant construction activity other than single-family dwellings, remodels, etc.
	1	Some light new construction activity
	2	Moderate light commercial/infrastructure construction activity
	3	Some heavy commercial/industrial/infrastructure construction activity
	4	Moderate heavy commercial/industrial/infrastructure/high-rise construction activity
	5	Significant heavy commercial/industrial/infrastructure/high-rise construction activity
<i>Industrial/Manufacturing Activity</i>	0	No industrial/manufacturing activity
	1	Some light industrial/manufacturing activity
	2	Moderate light industrial/manufacturing activity
	3	Some heavy industrial/manufacturing activity
	4	Moderate heavy industrial/manufacturing activity
	5	Significant heavy industrial/manufacturing activity
<i>Water Rescue</i>	0	No water rescue risk
	1	Minimal water rescue risk; one or more small bodies of non-swift water; minimal recreation activity
	2	Minor water rescue risk; one or more small bodies of non-swift water; minor recreation activity
	3	Moderate water rescue risk; one or more bodies of non-swift water; moderate recreation activity
	4	High water rescue risk; one or more bodies of swift water; high recreation activity
	5	Very high water rescue risk; multiple swift waterways; coastal waterfront; very high recreation activity
<i>Traffic Volume</i>	0	No freeway or highway traffic; no high-speed arterial traffic; no seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog
	1	Single two-lane rural highway; no high-speed arterial traffic; no seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog
	2	Multiple two-lane rural highways; some high-speed arterial traffic; no seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog
	3	Single multiple-lane freeway; limited high-speed arterial traffic; minimal seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog
	4	Multiple multiple-lane freeways; moderate high-speed arterial traffic; moderate seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog
	5	Multiple multiple-lane freeways; heavy high-speed arterial traffic; heavy seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog
<i>Service Capacity</i>	0	USAR Type-1 (Heavy) Team / Type-1 swiftwater/flood S&R Team available within 30 min. @ 90%
	1	USAR Type-1 (Heavy) Company / Type-1 swiftwater/flood S&R Team available within 45 min. @ 90%
	2	USAR Type-2 (Medium) Company / Type-2 swiftwater/flood S&R Team available within 60 min. @ 90%
	3	USAR Type-3 (Light) Company / Type-3 swiftwater/flood S&R Team available within 75 min. @ 90%
	4	USAR Type-4 (Basic) Company / Type-4 swiftwater/flood S&R Team available within 90 min. @ 90%
	5	Technical Rescue capability / swiftwater/flood S&R capability not available within 90 min. @ 90%

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Table 56—Impact Severity Factor Evaluation Criteria – Transportation

Impact Severity Factor	Score	Scoring Guidelines
<i>Population Density</i>	0	Average population density less than 500 per square mile
	1	Average population density less than 1,000 per square mile
	2	Average population density less than 2,500 per square mile
	3	Average population density less than 5,000 per square mile
	4	Average population density less than 10,000 per square mile
	5	Average population density greater than 10,000 per square mile
<i>Vehicle Traffic Volume</i>	0	No freeway or highway traffic; no high-speed arterial traffic; no seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog
	1	Single two-lane rural highway; no high-speed arterial traffic; no seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog
	2	Multiple two-lane rural highways; some high-speed arterial traffic; no seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog
	3	Single multiple-lane freeway; limited high-speed arterial traffic; minimal seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog
	4	Multiple multiple-lane freeways; moderate high-speed arterial traffic; moderate seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog
	5	Multiple multiple-lane freeways; heavy high-speed arterial traffic; heavy seasonal snow, ice, or dense fog
<i>Railway Traffic Volume</i>	0	No railway passenger or freight services
	1	Average of less than 10 daily train movements
	2	Average of less than 25 daily train movements
	3	Average of less than 100 daily train movements
	4	Average of less than 250 daily train movements
	5	Average of more than 250 daily train movements
<i>Aircraft Traffic Volume</i>	0	No passenger, cargo, or military aircraft operations
	1	No commercial passenger or cargo aircraft operations; less than 5,000 general aviation flights annually
	2	Less than 500,000 passengers; less than 50,000 general aviation flights; less than 5,000 annual cargo tons
	3	Less than 1 million passengers; less than 100,000 general aviation flights; less than 10,000 annual cargo tons
	4	Less than 5 million passengers; less than 250,000 general aviation flights; less than 20,000 annual cargo tons
	5	More than 5 million passengers; more than 250,000 general aviation flights; more than 20,000 annual cargo tons
<i>Service Capacity</i>	0	ALS available within 6 min. @ 90%; technical rescue available within 30 min. @ 90%
	1	ALS available within 8 min. @ 90%; technical rescue available within 45 min. @ 90%
	2	ALS available within 10 min. @ 90%; technical rescue available within 45 min. @ 90%
	3	ALS or BLS available within 12 min. @ 90%; technical rescue available within 60 min. @ 90%
	4	ALS or BLS available within 15 min. @ 90%; technical rescue available within 75 min. @ 90%
	5	ALS or BLS not available within 15 min. @ 90%; technical rescue not available within 75 min. @ 90%

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Table 57—Impact Severity Factor Evaluation Criteria – Flood

Impact Severity Factor	Score	Scoring Guidelines
<i>Area Affected</i>	1	None or only very minimal area likely affected
	2	Some area likely affected
	3	Moderate area likely affected
	4	Significant area likely affected
	5	Most or all of area likely affected
<i>Injuries / Fatalities</i>	1	Only minor injuries likely; no fatalities
	2	Few injuries likely; no fatalities expected
	3	Some injuries and/or fatalities likely
	4	Moderate injuries and/or fatalities likely
	5	Significant injuries and/or fatalities likely
<i>Property Damage</i>	1	None to minimal probable property damage
	2	Some probable property damage
	3	Moderate probable property damage
	4	Significant probable property damage
	5	Major probable property damage
<i>Critical Facilities / Key Resources</i>	1	No impacts or only very minimal probable impacts to critical facilities / key resources
	2	Some probable impacts to critical facilities / key resources
	3	Moderate probable impacts to critical facilities / key resources
	4	Significant probable impacts to critical facilities / key resources
	5	Major probable impacts to critical facilities / key resources
<i>Mid-Term / Long-Term Community Impacts</i>	1	No probable mid-term and/or long-term impacts affecting community resilience
	2	Minimal probable mid-term and/or long-term impacts affecting community resilience
	3	Moderate probable mid-term and/or long-term impacts affecting community resilience
	4	Significant probable mid-term and/or long-term impacts affecting community resilience
	5	Major probable mid-term and/or long-term impacts affecting community resilience



Budget/Schedule Delay

Potential Budget/Schedule Delay

On Time/On Budget

MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT No. 016

El Dorado Hills Fire Department

Project Name: EDHFTC

Period Ending: August 31, 2023



EL DORADO HILLS
FIRE DEPARTMENT
"Serving the Communities of El Dorado Hills, Rescue and Lastero"

Scope:

Surveys, grading, underground plumbing, electrical, earthwork, asphalt concrete paving, concrete paving, site concrete, chain link fences and gates, decorative metal fences and gates, irrigation system, planting, site utilities, construction of 2 new training buildings and 1 new outdoor classroom with restrooms.

Summary

Original Contract Amount: **\$11,712,034.00**

Contract Budget Status:

Original Contract Amount with Contingency and allowances;	\$11,712,034.00
Original Shared Contingency:	\$856,447.00
Original Shared Allowances:	\$150,000.00
Amount Billed to Date:	\$11,340,775.00
Retainage:	\$283,520.01
Remaining Balance Including Retainage:	\$654,779.01
Percent of Construction Complete:	96.83%
Remaining Contingency:	\$365,315.00
Remaining Allowances:	\$5,944.00

Progress This Period:

- Outstanding Punch List Items
- Install Monument Signs
- Change Order Work

Anticipated Progress Next Period:

- Complete spongy floor electrical/controls

Changes/Clarifications:

- RFI #175 through RFI #176

Issues:

- No Issues.

Progress Photos:



Photo taken on 06.15.23



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Project Team:

Owner:	El Dorado Hills Fire Department
Architect:	RDC
Construction Manager:	Roebbelen
Contractor:	DG Granade