



MOSQUITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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Chief's Report October-November 2022

Calls for Service: October 23- November 13

Fires- 1 (reported structure fire- burn pile)

Vehicle Accident- 1 (motorcycle- 1 air ambulance)

Medical Aid- 2 (1 air ambulance)

Public Assist- 4

Fire Alarm- 1 (false)

With fire season 2022 now behind us, a reminder that burn permits are required, obtained on-line only. The Fire District does not issue burn permits, which are under the jurisdiction of Cal Fire and El Dorado County Air Quality District. Burn piles 4'x 4' or smaller, obtain a burn permit at <https://burnpermit@fire.ca.gov>. For larger burn piles obtain a permit at <https://www.edcgov.us/government/airqualitymanagement/burn-permit-application>. Burn barrels are not allowed.

Firefighters consistently covered more 24-hour shifts at Station 75, during fire season, than ever before. We were able to maintain three firefighters on duty during the summer months, when the Community is at its highest risk. This was made possible through shift stipend funding through our FEMA SAFER Volunteer staffing grant. During the winter and spring months, we will reduce staffing to a minimum of two fire fighters on duty. This reduction is to preserve our grant funding for Summer 2023 staffing, which is the final year of the Grant. We will continue to explore and apply for every possible grant program.

This is the time of year, as the season turns cold, to use caution with fireplaces, wood stoves and portable heating devices. Placement of portable heating devices is critical, to prevent the ignition of combustible materials such as beds and couches. An annual safety check and cleaning of the chimney or wood stove pipe will prevent a fire which could spread into the attic. Now is also the time to check batteries for smoke detectors. Always have a functioning carbon monoxide detector. We are happy to conduct an interior or exterior fire safety inspection upon your request. Please contact Captain Lugo @ 530-626-9017.

We are looking forward to the holiday season and some great community events coming up. Below is a list of important dates. Community members are always welcome to attend Tuesday night training and meet our firefighters and Support Group members. Our training has shifted to winter storm preparedness and structure fire response.

We continue to provide addressing signs for residents and installing in the Community. Firefighters put together signs and mount it at the best location at a resident's property. The cost of the sign is \$35. Contact Captain Lugo at mlugo@mfpd.us for ordering.

Our Fire District staff is fully committed to our Community. We stand ready to assist our residents with any needs they may have, to prepare, support and provide the most up to date information. Please call us at 530-626-9017 or stop by the station.

This concludes my report. I will continue to update our projects and report progress. We appreciate the great support we receive from the Community and its commitment to being prepared. Fire season has passed and we are thankful for another safe year. If you have any questions or suggestions, please call me at the fire station (626-9017) or email at jrosevear@mfpd.us.

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday November 15, 22, 29- MFPD Firefighter Training- 6pm- Station 75- Public Welcome

Thursday November 17- Fire Board Meeting- 7pm- Station 75

Saturday November 19- Pilots Hosting- Firehouse Fundraiser BBQ- 4pm-7pm

Saturday November 26- Christmas Tree Cutting- 12:00pm- To Forest from Station 75

Thursday December 1- MVFA Monthly Board meeting- 3pm- Station 75

Tuesday December 6, 13, 20, 27- MFPD Firefighter Training- 6pm- Station 75- Public Welcome

Thursday December 15- Special Board Meeting- Community Event Calendar and Goal Setting with Staff

Saturday December 17- MVFA Annual Christmas Dinner- Tree Lighting at 5pm- Dinner at 6pm- Station 75

Jack Rosevear, Chief