



MOSQUITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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Chief's Report

June-July 2022

Calls for Service: June 21-July 21

Fires- 2 (small vegetation out on arrival) (Water Tender to Shingle Springs- Structure Fire)

Fire Alarm- 1

Smoke Check- 2

Medical Aid- 8

Vehicle Accident- 1

Power Line Down- 1

The District continues to focus on a dangerous fire season ahead with increased staffing, training, community interaction and patrols. We are fortunate to have an alert and prepared Community. Incidents, so far, have been minor.

We look forward to the Mosquito Bridge reopening on August 12th. The contractor for the new bridge has been working doing tree removal and prep work for construction. Updated information regarding the new bridge and other important safety issues (evacuation preparedness) can be found at our website www.mfpd.us. We are also advocating all community residents to sign up for a membership for medical helicopter transport by Reach and Cal Star. The link is also on our website: <https://calstar.org/membership/>.

In addition to training and preparedness, our fire crews have been assisting with fuel reduction projects on Log Cabin Lane and at Finnon Lake. We are able to assist obtaining defensible space around a home for those who cannot achieve it on their own and lack the resources to get it done. Contact Captain Lugo for more information.

Assistant Chief Hern, we will host a CPR class at Station 75 on Sunday July 31. The priority will be to train and certify current volunteer staff and those who submitted recent interest in the CERT training program. If there is enough interest by community members, we will host another class to accommodate everyone.

We were finally able to enroll in the CERT Train the Trainer course, hosted by FEMA in a virtual format. Chief Hern and I will complete the course in December and provide dates for the CERT basic training course, which will begin in early 2023. Residents waiting for the class can participate and train with the Support Group, which includes attendance in the July CPR class. Our current grant from the California Foundation has been extended to accommodate the delays in getting the required FEMA training course.

Grant Update:

FEMA SAFER Volunteer Recruitment and Retention Grant: Active and in use to support staffing, recruitment, training and equipment for new volunteers. Also is funding the new digital sign for Station 75, which will be installed in August. We are making preparations to remove the existing sign soon and have everything ready for the contractors arrival. This grant expires at the end of 2023.

50/50 Grant: This year is closed and we completed purchase of \$20,000 of necessary wildland gear and equipment. We have submitted for \$10,000 reimbursement. Next year's grant application has already been approved.

AFG Grant- For breathing air compressor- Still awaiting decision (any time now).

AFG Grant- For mobile, portable and pager radios- Regional with Georgetown FD- Still awaiting decision.

AFG Grant- For breathing apparatus- Regional with Georgetown and Pioneer FDs- Breathing apparatus in service.

FEMA SAFER Grant for 24/7 Station staffing- Still awaiting decision (this fall)

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. This fire season will be every bit as serious and dangerous as last year. If you have any questions or suggestions, please call me at the fire station (626-9017) or email me at jrosevear@mfpd.us.

Upcoming Events:

Tuesday July 26 - MFPD Firefighter Training- 6pm- Station 75- Public Welcome

Thursday July 28- Fire Board Meeting- 7pm- Station 75

Tuesday August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30- MFPD Firefighter Training- 6pm- Station 75- Public Welcome

Thursday August 4- MVFA Monthly Board meeting- 3pm- Station 75

Saturday August 6- Support Group monthly training- 10am- Station 75

Thursday August 25- Fire Board Meeting- 7pm- Station 75

Jack Rosevear, Chief