

February 2025 Board Meeting

- Since the last board meeting we have participated in two additional preposition strike teams in the county. This will bring in a Gross of \$87,333.30 and a profit of \$41,253.30.
- Outstanding payments from CAL OES total \$212,540.68. This includes the 2 preposition strike teams, Palisades fire and the Bridge fire which is well past due.
- The Sam's number has been renewed and is now valid until February 4th of 2026.
- 5102 is @ Jeff's Truck being painted and we hope to have it back to us by early next week.
- Cascade fire is down this evening to fit volunteers for the structural PPE
- The Monthly Finance report was emailed to you all and it showed we have 175k in cash in the treasury but after depositing a preposition strike team check that arrived, we currently have 180k.
- Now that we have two newer and much more dependable wildland engines. I would like to sell the old 5105 and the water buffalo. I have taken a look at the difficult to access locations in the district and feel that we can access them with these newer wildland engines and don't feel the need to retain the water buffalo.
- With this being a very busy fire season and the amount of participation in Cal OES as well as obtaining new equipment, the budget that was approved is going to be directly affected with painting, maintenance, fuel and food (which will be reimbursed) is going to be higher than anticipated. I will eventually start running into budget blocks and will reallocate funds within the budget to cover the costs.
- Streamline website has been built and is available to preview now. With the boards permission after we review it I would like to publish the page.
- The crews from the preposition strike teams responded to all calls in Hamilton and provided mutual aid to the county during the flooding. They also did an amazing job cleaning and reorganizing the station. They also painted the front office and will finish the Chief's office in the next few weeks.
- We currently have 4 claims filed with Recovery USA that total \$17,102.28.
- With the Cal Plant Bankruptcy a few years ago the county is legally required to recoup the 6.5 million dollars they received and distributed to all entities within the county. Our portion of that significant number is going to be \$4360.68. This total amount can be paid back in a few different options. My suggestion is that we pay option 1 in the full amount prior to April 30th 2025.

Action Item

- With the continued participation in Cal OES strike teams the need to pay the Volunteers is obviously one of importance to me. I have consulted with County Finance and their suggestion is to move funds from the Unreserved Fund Balance to the additional help budget line in order to cover the wages until the reimbursements arrive. County Finance stated that they usually

require a resolution but they would also accept the minutes from the meeting stating the board's approval.