

MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
AGENDA FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Montecito Fire Protection District Headquarters
595 San Ysidro Road
Santa Barbara, California

January 25, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

Agenda items may be taken out of the order shown.

1. Public comment: Any person may address the Board at this time on any non-agenda matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Montecito Fire Protection District. (30 minutes total time is allotted for this discussion.)
2. TIME CERTAIN: 2:00 Public Hearing regarding the potential acquisition of certain real property located at 1510 San Leandro Lane.

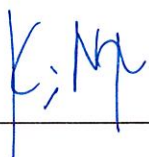
That the Board of Directors of the Montecito Fire Protection District approve Resolution No. 2016-01 regarding environmental analysis for the acquisition of certain real property located at 1510 San Leandro Lane.
3. Recognition for 20 years of service: Assistant Fire Marshal, Richard Lauritson.
4. Recognition of new Fire Captain: Aaron Briner.
5. Review and approval of slate for the LAFCO and CSDA elections.
6. Report on the status of the transfer of an easement to Upper Hyde Road property owners.
7. Review and approval of 2015 Montecito Fire District Annual Report.
8. Approve and authorize the Fire Chief to enter into an agreement with McCormix Oil Corporation for all diesel fuel purchases.
9. Receive presentation from PARS/Highmark representatives regarding the Fire District's post-retirement health care plan trust.
10. Approve the hiring of three Firefighters above normal staffing requirements.
11. Report from the Finance Committee:
 - a. Consider recommendation to approve December 2015 financial statements.
12. Approval of Minutes of the December 14, 2015 Special Meeting.
13. Fire Chief's Report.
14. Board of Director's report.

15. Suggestions from Directors for items other than regular agenda items to be included for the February 22, 2016 Regular Board meeting.

Adjournment

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MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

 KEVIN TAYLOR, DIVISION CHIEF

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Agenda

Item #2

Final Negative Declaration

**Acquisition of Real Property:
1510 San Leandro Lane, Montecito
APN: 009-203-011**

January 25, 2016



1.0 REQUEST/PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed project is limited to the Montecito Fire Protection District (District) acquiring a vacant, privately owned, .85 acre (37,026 square feet) parcel for the purpose of potential future development of a new fire station. While the Standards of Coverage Study and Risk Assessment prepared by the District identified the need to locate a new fire station in the southern area of the District's boundaries, no specific information is available at this time with respect to future structural development or activities on the site. Accordingly, the project evaluated in the IS/ND is limited to site acquisition. Any potential effects of future development and operational activities will be fully analyzed in a separate CEQA document once a fire station development plan is prepared. No specific timeline has been established by the District for the potential construction of a new fire station on this parcel.

2.0 PROJECT LOCATION

The project site is located at 1510 San Leandro Lane (APN 009-203-011) in the Montecito Planning Area.

| 2.1 Site Information | |
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| Comprehensive Plan Designation | Urban Area, SRR-1.8 (1.8 units per acre) |
| Zoning District, Ordinance | 20-R-1, Article II, Coastal Zoning Ordinance, 20,000 sf minimum lot size. |
| Site Size | .85 acres gross |
| Present Use & Development | Vacant |
| Surrounding Uses/Zoning | North: Residential/20-R-1 South: Residential/20-R-1 East: Residential/20-R-1 West: Residential/20-R-1 |
| Access | Private Drive via San Leandro Lane and San Ysidro Road |
| Public Services | Water Supply: Montecito Water District Sewage: Montecito Sanitary District Fire: Montecito Fire Protection District Other: Montecito Union School District |

3.0 ENVIRONMENTAL SETTING

3.1 PHYSICAL SETTING

The site is a vacant .85 acre parcel which is generally flat with an average slope of less than 2%. Onsite vegetation consists of weedy annual grasses and small shrubs and a small grove of mature coast live oaks (approximately 15-20 individual trees located on the northern third of the parcel. No known archaeological sites exist, nor any streams or water bodies. Surrounding land uses are single family residential on all sides of the property.

3.2 ENVIRONMENTAL BASELINE

The environmental baseline from which the project's impacts are measured consists of the physical environmental conditions in the vicinity of the project, as described above.

4.0 POTENTIALLY SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS CHECKLIST

The following checklist indicates the potential level of impact and is defined as follows:

Potentially Significant Impact: A fair argument can be made, based on the substantial evidence in the file, that an effect may be significant.

Less Than Significant Impact with Mitigation: Incorporation of mitigation measures has reduced an effect from a Potentially Significant Impact to a Less Than Significant Impact.

Less Than Significant Impact: An impact is considered adverse but does not trigger a significance threshold.

No Impact: There is adequate support that the referenced information sources show that the impact simply does not apply to the subject project.

Reviewed Under Previous Document: The analysis contained in a previously adopted/certified environmental document addresses this issue adequately for use in the current case and is summarized in the discussion below. The discussion should include reference to the previous documents, a citation of the page(s) where the information is found, and identification of mitigation measures incorporated from the previous documents.

4.1 AESTHETICS/VISUAL RESOURCES

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| a. The obstruction of any scenic vista or view open to the public or the creation of an aesthetically offensive site open to public view? | | | | X | |
| b. Change to the visual character of an area? | | | | X | |
| c. Glare or night lighting which may affect adjoining areas? | | | | X | |
| d. Visually incompatible structures? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: Because the project consists solely of acquisition with no associated physical development or land alteration, no project components would be visible from any public viewing place, such as roads, highways, railroads, public and other open spaces, trails, beaches or other recreation areas. Therefore, the project does not adversely alter the character of the landscape or topography, nor would the project affect neighboring areas with glare or nightlighting.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No impacts are identified. No mitigations are necessary.

Cumulative Impacts: The implementation of the project is not anticipated to result in any substantial change in the aesthetic character of the area since no physical development is associated with the project. Thus, the project would not cause a cumulatively considerable effect on aesthetics.

4.2 AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| a. Convert prime agricultural land to non-agricultural use, impair agricultural land productivity (whether prime or non-prime) or conflict with agricultural preserve programs? | | | | X | |
| b. An effect upon any unique or other farmland of State or Local Importance? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: The project site does not contain a combination of acreage and/or soils which render the site an important agricultural resource. The site does not adjoin and/or will not impact any neighboring agricultural operations.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No impacts are identified. No mitigations are necessary.

Cumulative Impacts: The County's Environmental Thresholds were developed, in part, to define the point at which a project's contribution to a regionally significant issue constitutes a significant effect at the project level. In this instance, the project has been found not to exceed the threshold of significance for agricultural resources. Therefore, the project's contribution to the regionally significant loss of agricultural resources is not considerable, and its cumulative effect on regional agriculture is less than significant.

4.3 AIR QUALITY

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
|--|-----------------------|--|--------------------------|------------------|---|
| a. The violation of any ambient air quality standard, a substantial contribution to an existing or projected air quality violation, or exposure of sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations (emissions from direct, indirect, mobile and stationary sources)? | | | | X | |
| b. The creation of objectionable smoke, ash or odors? | | | | X | |
| c. Extensive dust generation? | | | | X | |
| Greenhouse Gas Emissions | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
| d. Generate greenhouse gas emissions, either directly or indirectly, that may have a significant impact on the environment? | | | | X | |
| e. Conflict with an applicable plan, policy or regulation adopted for the purpose of reducing the emissions of greenhouse gases? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: The project would not result in significant new vehicle emissions (i.e., new vehicular trips to or from the site would be fewer than 100). It would not involve new stationary sources (i.e., equipment, machinery, hazardous materials storage, industrial or chemical processing, etc.) that would increase the amount of pollutants released into the atmosphere. The project would also not generate additional smoke, ash, odors, or long term dust after construction. The project's contribution to global warming from the generation of greenhouse gases would be negligible.

Cumulative Impacts: The County’s Environmental Thresholds were developed, in part, to define the point at which a project’s contribution to a regionally significant impact constitutes a significant effect at the project level. In this instance, the project has been found not to exceed the significance criteria for air quality. Therefore, the project’s contribution to regionally significant air pollutant emissions, including GHGs, is not cumulatively considerable, and its cumulative effect is less than significant (Class III).

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No impacts are identified. No mitigations are necessary.

4.4 BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| Flora | | | | | |
| a. A loss or disturbance to a unique, rare or threatened plant community? | | | | X | |
| b. A reduction in the numbers or restriction in the range of any unique, rare or threatened species of plants? | | | | X | |
| c. A reduction in the extent, diversity, or quality of native vegetation (including brush removal for fire prevention and flood control improvements)? | | | | X | |
| d. An impact on non-native vegetation whether naturalized or horticultural if of habitat value? | | | | X | |
| e. The loss of healthy native specimen trees? | | | | X | |
| f. Introduction of herbicides, pesticides, animal life, human habitation, non-native plants or other factors that would change or hamper the existing habitat? | | | | X | |
| Fauna | | | | | |
| g. A reduction in the numbers, a restriction in the range, or an impact to the critical habitat of any unique, rare, threatened or endangered species of animals? | | | | X | |
| h. A reduction in the diversity or numbers of animals onsite (including mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, fish or invertebrates)? | | | | X | |
| i. A deterioration of existing fish or wildlife habitat (for foraging, breeding, roosting, nesting, etc.)? | | | | X | |
| j. Introduction of barriers to movement of any resident or migratory fish or wildlife species? | | | | X | |
| k. Introduction of any factors (light, fencing, noise, human presence and/or domestic animals) which could hinder the normal activities of wildlife? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: The site contains of a small grove of mature Coast Live Oak trees located in the northern third of the parcel. However, the project consists only of acquisition of the parcel, with no physical development or land alterations are proposed at this time. As a result, no impacts to these trees or any other biological resources are anticipated.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No impacts are identified. No mitigation is necessary.

Cumulative Impacts: Since the project would not significantly impact biological resources onsite, it would not have a cumulatively considerable effect on the County’s biological resources.

4.5 CULTURAL RESOURCES

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| Archaeological Resources | | | | X | |
| a. Disruption, alteration, destruction, or adverse effect on a recorded prehistoric or historic archaeological site (note site number below)? | | | | X | |
| b. Disruption or removal of human remains? | | | | X | |
| c. Increased potential for trespassing, vandalizing, or sabotaging archaeological resources? | | | | X | |
| d. Ground disturbances in an area with potential cultural resource sensitivity based on the location of known historic or prehistoric sites? | | | | X | |
| Ethnic Resources | | | | X | |
| e. Disruption of or adverse effects upon a prehistoric or historic archaeological site or property of historic or cultural significance to a community or ethnic group? | | | | X | |
| f. Increased potential for trespassing, vandalizing, or sabotaging ethnic, sacred, or ceremonial places? | | | | X | |
| g. The potential to conflict with or restrict existing religious, sacred, or educational use of the area? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: Based on records on file at the CCIC (Central Coast Information Center of the University of California, Santa Barbara), a map and records search at the CCIC (cite date of letter), no cultural resources are recorded within the proposed project area. Additionally, the proposed project does not include any development or ground disturbance. As a result, no impacts to cultural resources are anticipated.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No impacts are identified. No mitigations are necessary.

Cumulative Impacts: Since the project would not impact cultural resources, it would not have a cumulatively considerable effect on the County’s cultural resources.

4.6 ENERGY

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| a. Substantial increase in demand, especially during peak periods, upon existing sources of energy? | | | | X | |
| b. Requirement for the development or extension of new sources of energy? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: The County has not identified significance thresholds for electrical and/or natural gas service impacts (Thresholds and Guidelines Manual). Private electrical and natural gas utility companies provide service to customers in Central and Southern California, including the unincorporated areas of Santa Barbara County. The proposed project consists only of acquisition of privately owned parcel, therefore no adverse energy use or impacts would result.

Cumulative Impacts: The project’s contribution to the regionally significant demand for energy is not considerable, and is therefore less than significant.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No mitigation is required. Residual impacts would be less than significant.

4.7 FIRE PROTECTION

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| a. Introduction of development into an existing high fire hazard area? | | | | X | |
| b. Project-caused high fire hazard? | | | | X | |
| c. Introduction of development into an area without adequate water pressure, fire hydrants or adequate access for fire fighting? | | | | X | |
| d. Introduction of development that will hamper fire prevention techniques such as controlled burns or backfiring in high fire hazard areas? | | | | X | |
| e. Development of structures beyond safe Fire Dept. response time? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: Although the project is located within a High Fire Hazard Area, it does not involve new fire hazards. The project is located in an area with an adequate response time from fire protective services.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No impacts are identified. No mitigation is necessary.

Cumulative Impacts: Since the project would not create significant fire hazards, it would not have a cumulatively considerable effect on fire safety within the County.

4.8 GEOLOGIC PROCESSES

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| a. Exposure to or production of unstable earth conditions such as landslides, earthquakes, liquefaction, soil creep, mudslides, ground failure (including expansive, compressible, collapsible soils), or similar hazards? | | | | X | |
| b. Disruption, displacement, compaction or overcovering of the soil by cuts, fills or extensive grading? | | | | X | |
| c. Exposure to or production of permanent changes in topography, such as bluff retreat or sea level rise? | | | | X | |
| d. The destruction, covering or modification of any unique geologic, paleontologic or physical features? | | | | X | |
| e. Any increase in wind or water erosion of soils, either on or off the site? | | | | X | |
| f. Changes in deposition or erosion of beach sands or dunes, or changes in siltation, deposition or erosion which may modify the channel of a river, or stream, or the bed of the ocean, or any bay, inlet or lake? | | | | X | |
| g. The placement of septic disposal systems in impermeable soils with severe constraints to disposal of liquid effluent? | | | | X | |
| h. Extraction of mineral or ore? | | | | X | |

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| i. Excessive grading on slopes of over 20%? | | | | X | |
| j. Sand or gravel removal or loss of topsoil? | | | | X | |
| k. Vibrations, from short-term construction or long-term operation, which may affect adjoining areas? | | | | X | |
| l. Excessive spoils, tailings or over-burden? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: The proposed project site does not have substantial geological constraints or slopes exceeding 20%. The proposed project consists of acquisition of a parcel with no physical development or ground disturbance and therefore would not result in excessive grading. As such, the proposed project would not result in impacts related to geological resources.

Cumulative Impacts: Since the project would not result in significant geologic impacts, it would not have a cumulatively considerable effect on geologic hazards within the County.

4.9 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS/RISK OF UPSET

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| a. In the known history of this property, have there been any past uses, storage or discharge of hazardous materials (e.g., fuel or oil stored in underground tanks, pesticides, solvents or other chemicals)? | | | | X | |
| b. The use, storage or distribution of hazardous or toxic materials? | | | | X | |
| c. A risk of an explosion or the release of hazardous substances (e.g., oil, gas, biocides, bacteria, pesticides, chemicals or radiation) in the event of an accident or upset conditions? | | | | X | |
| d. Possible interference with an emergency response plan or an emergency evacuation plan? | | | | X | |
| e. The creation of a potential public health hazard? | | | | | |
| f. Public safety hazards (e.g., due to development near chemical or industrial activity, producing oil wells, toxic disposal sites, etc.)? | | | | X | |
| g. Exposure to hazards from oil or gas pipelines or oil well facilities? | | | | X | |
| h. The contamination of a public water supply? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: There is no evidence that hazardous materials were used, stored or spilled on site in the past, and there are no aspects of the proposed use that would include or involve hazardous materials at levels that would constitute a hazard to human health or the environment.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No impacts are identified. No mitigations are necessary.

Cumulative Impacts: Since the project would not create significant impacts with respect to hazardous materials and/or risk of upset, it would not have a cumulatively considerable effect on safety within the County.

4.10 HISTORIC RESOURCES

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| a. Adverse physical or aesthetic impacts on a structure or property at least 50 years old and/or of historic or cultural significance to the community, state or nation? | | | | X | |
| b. Beneficial impacts to an historic resource by providing rehabilitation, protection in a conservation/open easement, etc.? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: No structures or formal landscape features currently exist on the project site. The proposed project consists of acquisition of a vacant parcel and does not include the demolition or alteration of structures in excess of 50 years in age. Nor would the project alter the contextual nature of the site in a manner which would significantly degrade the historical significance of the existing structure(s). As a result, no impacts to historic resources are anticipated.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No impacts are identified. No mitigations are necessary.

Cumulative Impacts: Since the project would not result in any substantial change in the historic character of the site, it would not have any cumulatively considerable effect on the region's historic resources.

4.11 LAND USE

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| a. Structures and/or land use incompatible with existing land use? | | | | X | |
| b. Conflict with any applicable land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency with jurisdiction over the project (including, but not limited to the general plan, specific plan, local coastal program, or zoning ordinance) adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect? | | | | X | |
| c. The induction of substantial growth or concentration of population? | | | | X | |
| d. The extension of sewer trunk lines or access roads with capacity to serve new development beyond this proposed project? | | | | X | |
| e. Loss of existing affordable dwellings through demolition, conversion or removal? | | | | X | |
| f. Displacement of substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere? | | | | X | |
| g. Displacement of substantial numbers of people, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere? | | | | X | |
| h. The loss of a substantial amount of open space? | | | | X | |

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| i. An economic or social effect that would result in a physical change? (i.e. Closure of a freeway ramp results in isolation of an area, businesses located in the vicinity close, neighborhood degenerates, and buildings deteriorate. Or, if construction of new freeway divides an existing community, the construction would be the physical change, but the economic/social effect on the community would be the basis for determining that the physical change would be significant.) | | | | X | |
| j. Conflicts with adopted airport safety zones? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: The proposed project, which consists of acquisition of a vacant parcel, does not cause a physical change which conflicts with adopted environmental policies or regulations. The project is not growth inducing, and does not result in the loss of affordable housing, loss of open space, or a significant displacement of people. The project does not involve the extension of a sewer trunk line, and does not conflict with any airport safety zones. However, the project site is zoned 20-R-1 (residential, with a minimum parcel size of 20,000 square feet). The purpose of the acquisition by the District is for the potential future development of a fire station. Under the exiting Article II Coastal Zoning Ordinance, fire stations are not allowed as either a permitted use or conditionally permitted use in the R-1 zone district. As such, while acquisition of the site is consistent with all adopted plans and policies, the intended future use a fire station is not. Therefore, prior to or concurrent with processing of a development application for a new fire station on the project site, the District shall seek either a rezone to a zone district which allows for the siting of fire stations or a Local Coastal Plan amendment which would amend the R-1 zone district to specifically allow fire stations as a conditionally permitted use.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No mitigation is required. Residual impacts would be less than significant.

Cumulative Impacts: The implementation of the project is not anticipated to result in any substantial change to the site's conformance with environmentally protective policies and standards. Thus, the project would not cause a cumulatively considerable effect on land use.

4.12 NOISE

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| a. Long-term exposure of people to noise levels exceeding County thresholds (e.g. locating noise sensitive uses next to an airport)? | | | | X | |
| b. Short-term exposure of people to noise levels exceeding County thresholds? | | | | X | |
| c. Project-generated substantial increase in the ambient noise levels for adjoining areas (either day or night)? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: The proposed project consists solely of acquisition of a vacant parcel and would not result in: 1) the generation of any noise exceeding County thresholds; 2) substantially increase ambient noise levels in adjoining areas; or 3) exposure of noise sensitive uses on the proposed project site to off-site noise levels exceeding County thresholds. No noise-related impacts would result.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No mitigation is required. Residual impacts would be less than significant.

Cumulative Impacts: The implementation of the project is not anticipated to result in any substantial noise effects. Therefore, the project would not contribute in a cumulatively considerable manner to noise impacts.

4.13 PUBLIC FACILITIES

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| a. A need for new or altered police protection and/or health care services? | | | | X | |
| b. Student generation exceeding school capacity? | | | | X | |
| c. Significant amounts of solid waste or breach any national, state, or local standards or thresholds relating to solid waste disposal and generation (including recycling facilities and existing landfill capacity)? | | | | X | |
| d. A need for new or altered sewer system facilities (sewer lines, lift-stations, etc.)? | | | | X | |
| e. The construction of new storm water drainage or water quality control facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental effects? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: The proposed project would result in any increase of population within the area and would not have a significant impact on existing police protection or health care services. Existing service levels would be sufficient to serve the proposed project. The proposed project would not generate solid waste in excess of County thresholds nor cause the need for new or altered sewer system facilities as it is already in the service district. In addition, the proposed project would not create new impervious surfaces that could result in greater surface runoff from the site and no additional drainages or water quality control facilities would be necessary to serve the project. Therefore, the project would have no impact to public facilities.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No impacts are identified. No mitigation is necessary.

Cumulative Impacts: The County's Environmental Thresholds were developed, in part, to define the point at which a project's contribution to a regionally significant impact constitutes a significant effect at the project level. In this instance, the project has been found not to exceed the threshold of significance for public services. Therefore, the project's contribution to the regionally significant demand for public services is not considerable, and is less than significant.

4.14 RECREATION

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| a. Conflict with established recreational uses of the area? | | | | X | |
| b. Conflict with biking, equestrian and hiking trails? | | | | X | |

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| c. Substantial impact on the quality or quantity of existing recreational opportunities (e.g., overuse of an area with constraints on numbers of people, vehicles, animals, etc. which might safely use the area)? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: The proposed project would not result in any population increase and would have no adverse impacts on the quality or quantity of existing recreational opportunities, either in the project vicinity or County-wide. In addition, the proposed project site is not located on or near any established recreational uses, including biking, equestrian or hiking trails. No adverse impacts would result.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No mitigation is required. Residual impacts would be less than significant.

4.15 TRANSPORTATION/CIRCULATION

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| a. Generation of substantial additional vehicular movement (daily, peak-hour, etc.) in relation to existing traffic load and capacity of the street system? | | | | X | |
| b. A need for private or public road maintenance, or need for new road(s)? | | | | X | |
| c. Effects on existing parking facilities, or demand for new parking? | | | | X | |
| d. Substantial impact upon existing transit systems (e.g. bus service) or alteration of present patterns of circulation or movement of people and/or goods? | | | | X | |
| e. Alteration to waterborne, rail or air traffic? | | | | X | |
| f. Increase in traffic hazards to motor vehicles, bicyclists or pedestrians (including short-term construction and long-term operational)? | | | | X | |
| g. Inadequate sight distance? | | | | X | |
| ingress/egress? | | | | X | |
| general road capacity? | | | | X | |
| emergency access? | | | | X | |
| h. Impacts to Congestion Management Plan system? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: The proposed project is limited to acquisition of a vacant parcel with no physical development proposed and therefore would not increase vehicular traffic to or from the site nor would it affect roadways; parking facilities; pedestrian, bicycle, or transit access; or any other type of transportation facility.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No mitigation is required. Residual impacts would be less than significant.

Cumulative Impacts: The County's Environmental Thresholds were developed, in part, to define the point at which a project's contribution to a regionally significant impact constitutes a significant effect at the project level. In this instance, the project has been found not to exceed the threshold of significance

for traffic. Therefore, the project's contribution to the regionally significant traffic congestion is not considerable, and is less than significant.

4.16 WATER RESOURCES/FLOODING

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
|--|----------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| a. Changes in currents, or the course or direction of water movements, in either marine or fresh waters? | | | | X | |
| b. Changes in percolation rates, drainage patterns or the rate and amount of surface water runoff? | | | | X | |
| c. Change in the amount of surface water in any water body? | | | | X | |
| d. Discharge, directly or through a storm drain system, into surface waters (including but not limited to wetlands, riparian areas, ponds, springs, creeks, streams, rivers, lakes, estuaries, tidal areas, bays, ocean, etc) or alteration of surface water quality, including but not limited to temperature, dissolved oxygen, turbidity, or thermal water pollution? | | | | X | |
| e. Alterations to the course or flow of flood water or need for private or public flood control projects? | | | | X | |
| f. Exposure of people or property to water related hazards such as flooding (placement of project in 100 year flood plain), accelerated runoff or tsunamis, sea level rise, or seawater intrusion? | | | | X | |
| g. Alteration of the direction or rate of flow of groundwater? | | | | X | |
| h. Change in the quantity of groundwater, either through direct additions or withdrawals, or through interception of an aquifer by cuts or excavations or recharge interference? | | | | X | |
| i. Overdraft or over-commitment of any groundwater basin? Or, a significant increase in the existing overdraft or over-commitment of any groundwater basin? | | | | X | |
| j. The substantial degradation of groundwater quality including saltwater intrusion? | | | | X | |
| k. Substantial reduction in the amount of water otherwise available for public water supplies? | | | | X | |
| l. Introduction of storm water pollutants (e.g., oil, grease, pesticides, nutrients, sediments, pathogens, etc.) into groundwater or surface water? | | | | X | |

Impact Discussion: The project would not result in impacts on surface water quality, including storm water runoff, direction or course of surface or ground water or the direction, volume, or frequency of runoff. There is an adequate supply of water for the project and the project would not contribute to overdraft of groundwater resources.

Mitigation and Residual Impact: No mitigation is required. Residual impacts would be less than significant.

Cumulative Impacts: The County's Environmental Thresholds were developed, in part, to define the point at which a project's contribution to a regionally significant impact constitutes a significant effect at the project level. In this instance, the project has been found not to exceed the threshold of significance for water resources. Therefore, the project's contribution to the regionally significant issues of water supplies and water quality is not considerable, and is less than significant.

5.0 INFORMATION SOURCES

5.1 County Departments Consulted (*underline*):

Police, Fire, Public Works, Flood Control, Parks, Environmental Health, Special Districts, Regional Programs, Other : Planning and Development

5.2 Comprehensive Plan (*check those sources used*):

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seismic Safety/Safety Element | <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation Element |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Open Space Element | <input type="checkbox"/> Noise Element |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Coastal Plan and Maps | <input type="checkbox"/> Circulation Element |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ERME | |

5.3 Other Sources (*check those sources used*):

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Field work | <input type="checkbox"/> Ag Preserve maps |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Calculations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Flood Control maps |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Project plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Other technical references (reports, survey, etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Traffic studies | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Planning files, maps, reports |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Records | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zoning maps |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Grading plans | <input type="checkbox"/> Soils maps/reports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elevation, architectural renderings | <input type="checkbox"/> Plant maps |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Published geological map/reports | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Archaeological maps and reports |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Topographical maps | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

6.0 PROJECT SPECIFIC (short- and long-term) AND CUMULATIVE IMPACT SUMMARY

7.0 MANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
|--|----------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Does the project have the potential to substantially degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a fish or wildlife species, cause a fish or wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, substantially reduce the number or restrict the range of a rare or endangered plant or animal, contribute significantly to greenhouse gas emissions or significantly increase energy consumption, or eliminate important examples of the major periods of California history or prehistory? | | | | X | |

| Will the proposal result in: | Poten. Signif. | Less than Signif. with Mitigation | Less Than Signif. | No Impact | Reviewed Under Previous Document |
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| 2. Does the project have the potential to achieve short-term to the disadvantage of long-term environmental goals? | | | | X | |
| 3. Does the project have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? (“Cumulatively considerable” means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects and the effects of probable future projects.) | | | | X | |
| 4. Does the project have environmental effects which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly? | | | | X | |
| 5. Is there disagreement supported by facts, reasonable assumptions predicated upon facts and/or expert opinion supported by facts over the significance of an effect which would warrant investigation in an EIR ? | | | | X | |

8.0 INITIAL REVIEW OF PROJECT CONSISTENCY WITH APPLICABLE SUBDIVISION, ZONING AND COMPREHENSIVE PLAN REQUIREMENTS

9.0 FINDINGS

On the basis of the Initial Study, the Board of Directors:

- Finds that the proposed project WILL NOT have a significant effect on the environment and, therefore, recommends that a Negative Declaration (ND) be prepared.
- Finds that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because the mitigation measures incorporated into the REVISED PROJECT DESCRIPTION would successfully mitigate the potentially significant impacts. Staff recommends the preparation of an ND. The ND finding is based on the assumption that mitigation measures will be acceptable to the applicant; if not acceptable a revised Initial Study finding for the preparation of an EIR may result.
- Finds that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and recommends that an EIR be prepared.
- Finds that from existing documents (previous EIRs, etc.) that a subsequent document (containing updated and site-specific information, etc.) pursuant to CEQA Sections 15162/15163/15164 should be prepared.

Potentially significant unavoidable adverse impact areas:

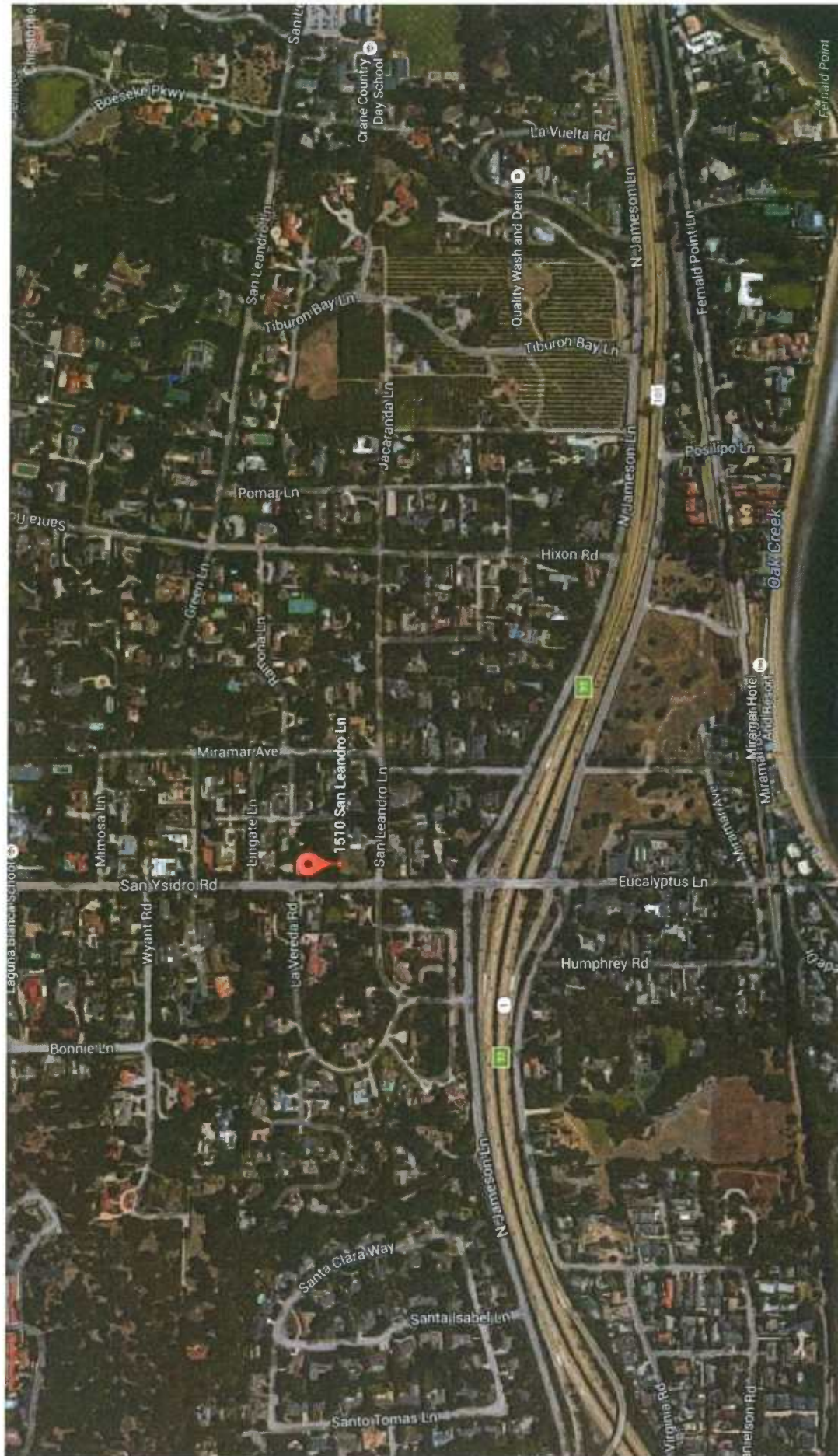
With Public Hearing Without Public Hearing

10.0 PREVIOUS DOCUMENT: Initial Study/Draft Negative Declaration, December 14, 2015

11.0 ATTACHMENTS

- A. Vicinity Map
- B. Comment Letters Received
- C. Responses to Comment Letters

ATTACHMENT A – Vicinity Map



ATTACHMENT B – Comment Letters Received

Negative Declaration Public Comments Received

| Number | Date | Address | Signator |
|--------|----------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1 | 01/08/16 | 1480 San Leandro Park Road | Judith Ishkanian |
| 2 | 01/08/16 | Unknown | Thomas Deardorff |
| 3 | 01/08/16 | 171 Miramar | Richard and Frances Monk |
| 4 | 01/10/16 | 1481 Vereda Lane | Bobbi and Paul Didier |
| 5 | 01/11/16 | 1505 Lingate Lane | Hilary and Alex Dessouky |
| 6 | 01/12/16 | Unknown | Robin Lacks |
| 7 | 01/12/16 | 124 Miramar | Randall Badat |
| 8 | 01/12/16 | 1526 San Leandro | Ann Daniel |
| 9 | 01/12/16 | 1569 San Leandro | Ann Kale |
| 10 | 01/12/16 | Unknown | Brooke Cheema |
| 11 | 01/12/16 | Unknown | Jeanne Towles |
| 12 | 01/12/16 | 1559 San Leandro | Jeff Scholssberg |
| 13 | 01/12/16 | 1595 San Leandro | Jessica and Michael Schaeman |
| 14 | 01/12/16 | Unknown | Kathy and David Nicolson |
| 15 | 01/12/16 | 1544 San Leandro | Laura Johnston |
| 16 | 01/12/16 | 237 San Leandro | Rachael and David Stein |
| 17 | 01/12/16 | Unknown | Shelley Badat |
| 18 | 01/12/16 | 1545 Ramona Lane | Ted Simmons |
| 19 | 01/13/16 | Unknown | Lingate Water District |
| 20 | 01/13/16 | 180 San Ysidro Road | Jonathan and Elizabeth Raith |
| 21 | 01/14/16 | Unknown | Ryan Siemens |
| 22 | 01/14/16 | 115 Miramar | John Markham |

MEMO TO: MFPD Board of Directors and Fire Chief Hickman

FROM: Judith Ishkanian, Montecito Resident
1480 San Leandro Park Road
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RE: Proposed Fire Station Public Hearing, 1/25/16 @2:00 pm

January 8, 2016

Dear members of the Board of Directors and Chief Hickman,

I regret that I cannot attend the public meeting concerning the Proposed Fire Station at 1510 San Leandro Lane. I will be in Buellton preparing for two meetings of great concern to all of our Special Districts: The LAFCO election of a Special District Representative and an Alternate Representative at 5 pm at the Buellton Marriott in the Jockey Club Room. The second scheduled meeting will be the election of the 2016 Board of Directors to the SBC CSDA. I understand that you will have an authorized representative to vote on your behalf at this important meeting, for which I thank you in advance.

Please allow me to go on record as fully supporting the MFPD purchase of the property at 1510 San Leandro Lane, which is located just 50 feet from where I have lived with my family since 1967.

It will take years to develop the property into the small substation envisioned by the department. When it is, the small engine equipped with the paramedic rescue service will be an asset to the nearby neighbors. The siren noise will not occur near the station any more than it does at the main station on upper San Ysidro road. Traffic increase will be negligible, as the main station will continue to hold meetings and events. I know these things because I have been attending MFPD Board meetings when possible and learning operations therein. Further, I am acquainted with the City Gate study upon which key decisions were made in accordance with the latest technology, as well as conformity with State and Federal Requirements.

Lastly, I feel that the ownership of the property at 1510 San Leandro Lane will safeguard the property from acquisition by State HCD or Federal Agency HUD for subsidized "Stack and Pack" housing, which has been an ongoing threat up until now. This is due to its proximity to the Freeway and the Bus stop right in front of the property. It has been in the crosshairs more than once in the past twelve years. Other agencies will not, and cannot, interfere with a local agency concerned with health and safety.

These are the reasons I support the Proposed Fire Station. Please know you have the full support of many citizens who may not be able to attend.

Sincerely,

Judith Ishkanian

January 8, 2015

The Montecito Fire Protection District
595 San Ysidro Road
Santa Barbara CA 93108
Attention: Chip Hickman, Fire Chief,

Re: *Initial Study/Negative Declaration for the Acquisition of Real Property at 1510 San Leandro Lane, Montecito*

To Whom It May Concern:

The Montecito Fire Protection District (“MFPD”) should not acquire the real property at 1510 San Leandro Lane unless and until the MFPD complies with (1) the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”); (2) the limitations of power set forth for under the California Health and Safety Code; (3) Santa Barbara County zoning laws; and (4) its fiduciary obligations to the taxpaying citizens within its district.

CEQA – Improper Limitation of “Project” Description

The MFPD has failed to comply with CEQA. The document indentified as the Initial Study/Negative Declaration (“ISND”) is nothing more than a thinly veiled attempt to side-step both the express language and intent of CEQA.

There is no doubt that CEQA applies to the current situation. Indeed, CEQA requires all state and local agencies to identify the significant environmental impacts of their actions and to avoid or mitigate those impacts. Furthermore, the ISND itself acknowledges that CEQA applies to the actions of the MFPD.

The fact CEQA applies means that there must be an environmental review that imposes both procedural and substantive requirements. At a minimum, an initial review of the project and its environmental effects must be conducted. Depending on the potential effects, a further, and more substantial, review may be required in the form of an environmental impact report (EIR).

In this case, the MFPD has not done a legal CEQA analysis. Instead, the MFPD is trying to side-step its legal requirements under CEQA by using an extremely limited definition of the word “project”. However, their legal wordsmith has no logical or legal merit.

CEQA requires that every "project" undergo the required environmental review. The definition of what is included in the term "project" is clearly set forth in CEQA and the legal cases that interpret CEQA. A "project" is "the whole of an action". The term "project" is further defined to include not just the activity that is being approved, but all activity that may be subject to several discretionary approvals by governmental agencies. The term "project" does not get split into meaning each separate activity on a piecemeal basis. Rather, the "project" is meant to include all actions being taken over time to effectuate the whole development plan. All of the actions and their cumulative impacts must be analyzed together. And, the impacts must be analyzed at the start of the project.

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The legal definition of the term "project" is inclusive to make sure environmental analysis is done properly. Environmental review must commence at the earliest practicable time, in order to make fully informed decisions at a project's formative stages and avoid undue project momentum or post-hoc rationalizations. In other words, you must analyze the impacts before financial, logistical or other outside considerations cause improper influence of proper environmental analysis.

Here, the MFPD is trying to do exactly what CEQA and the cases that interpret CEQA clearly say is not allowed. In particular, the MFPD is trying to limit the definition to one action - namely "site acquisition". The MFPD goes on to admit in the ISND that they will piecemeal their CEQA analysis and that the other parts of the project will be analyzed in a "separate CEQA document". This piecemeal approach is not legal.

The real "project" being started by MFPD is clear. The ISND states "[t]he purpose of the acquisition by the District is for the potential future development of a fire station". The ISND also states that there will be development applications, rezoning efforts, attempts to change the Local Coastal Plan and ultimately "future development and operational activities" of a "new fire station". Because the real "project" is to build a fire station and not just "site acquisition", the MFPD is legally required under CEQA to analyze all actions related to building the fire station.

The law clearly states piecemeal use of CEQA is not legal. The "project" review must include an analysis of future actions if (1) those actions are a reasonably foreseeable consequence of the initial action, and (2) the future action will be significant in that it will likely change the scope or nature of the initial action or its environmental effects.

Here, the re-zoning, planning, development and operation of a fire station are "reasonably foreseeable" and "significant". Indeed, the ISND itself states that there will be "future development and operational activities". Accordingly, CEQA requires the whole of these actions to be analyzed at this time before any one part of these actions is allowed to proceed.

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The law is simple and its interpretation has been consistent. First, the term "project" must include all foreseeable aspects of the project - not a single small element at a time. Second, the project must be analyzed at the earliest commitment to a definite course of action. The MFPD has a foreseeable project (acquire, plan, build and operate a fire

station) and has started a definitive course of action (acquiring the lot). As such, the MFPD must conduct a proper CEQA analysis of the entire project.

More disturbing than the failure to comply with the strict legal parts of CEQA is the fact the MFPD is attempting to slide something through without a true environmental analysis. As the cases interpreting CEQA state, this is an attempt to gain project momentum so that the later environmental review is much less rigorous. The argument down the road will be, "we have already spent \$1,500,000 on the lot so some environmental disturbance should be allowed". That is not a fair and honest approach and the MFPD should be better than that. Indeed, doesn't the MFPD want to know that its actions in buying a lot and then building and operating a fire station would not cause undue harm to the environment? Wouldn't the MFPD want to know that before it spends \$1,500,000 to buy the lot? As a taxpayer within the district, I sure hope the MFPD would want to know those things. And, I sure hope the MFPD chooses a more transparent, legal and forthright course of action.

Because the MFPD has not conducted a proper CEQA analysis, they should not acquire the lot at this time.

CEQA – Improper Analysis of Environmental Impacts

In addition to the erroneous definition of "project", the ISND completely ignores any potential impacts from "site acquisition". The entire document goes through a cursory exercise of noting "no impact" at each and every level of analysis. This ignores the facts even if you limit the project definition to "site acquisition".

The Montecito Community Plan ("MCP") sets forth the community goals, policies, land-use restrictions, zoning, and overall development plan for the area in question. The lot in question is zoned residential. There is currently pending before the County of Santa Barbara several permit application to effectuate the residential development of the lot. Taken together, there is no doubt that the lot is residential and that the future plan is for a residence to be built on the lot.

MFPD is a special district – meaning it provides a focused service within a specific area. MFPD is governed by the California Health and Safety Code sections 13800-13970 ("Fire Protection District Law") and must only operate within the special purposes for which it was formed. The mission statement of MFPD states that it exists "to provide a professional and timely response to the needs of the community in preparation for, during, and in recovery from emergencies". There is no doubt that MFPD is a special purpose entity that only provides emergency services.

On its face, the "site acquisition" of a residential lot by a special district that is only authorized to provide emergency services means one thing - the residential lot will no longer be used for residential purposes. This obvious conclusion is further solidified by the statements in the ISND wherein the MFPD states that it will engage in the

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“development of a fire station”. Clearly, the residential lot being acquired will forever be altered and will no longer be a residential lot after “site acquisition”.

How the ISND determined that there is “no impact” on any issues under CEQA makes no sense. “Site acquisition” will (i) change the current development plan for the lot; (ii) stop the current permits for a residence from being pursued; (iii) create a conflict with the MCP; (iv) be in conflict with zoning rules; and (v) otherwise be at complete odds with any prior, current or future plans for the lot and surrounding area. To say there is “no impact” is simply not an honest analysis.

The MFPD should conduct a real CEQA study of the project (regardless of how you define “project”) before moving forward with the site acquisition.

California Health and Safety Code

As stated above, the real “project” is more than just “site acquisition”. If, however, the MFPD is correct in limiting all analysis to just “site acquisition”, then the “project” violates the legal limitations on the operational authority of MFPD.

The Fire Protection District Law limits the type of transactions in which the MFPD can engage. The MFPD is not a general government entity (like a city or county) with a broad range of operational authority to spend taxpayer money. Instead, it has very limited authority to spend only on specific enumerated transactions.

With regard to the current issue, the Fire Protection District Law authorizes special districts to acquire property within the district by any means, to hold, manage, occupy, dispose of, convey and encumber the property, and to create a leasehold interest in the property **for the benefit of the district**. (emphasis added). In other words, there is no authorization to simply acquire and hold property - the property must benefit the district in the performance of the special services for which it was created.

Buying a residential lot for \$1,500,000 does not benefit the district in any way. The lot is not income producing and does not otherwise fit into the MFPD investment criteria. As such, the “site acquisition” itself is not a legally authorized transaction for the MFPD. This conclusion makes logical sense as well because the “site acquisition” would hamper the district more than it would benefit its operations. The “site acquisition” would at best tie up money in an illiquid investment. At worst, it is a huge gamble on a speculative investment. Either way, “site acquisition” is against both the law and logic of the Fire Protection District Law.

Indeed, there has been no explanation how the “site acquisition” would benefit the district. Instead, the MFPD has said we should only look at “site acquisition”. By limiting the “project” to “site acquisition”, the MFPD has created a “project” that simply cannot meet the rules of the Fire Protection District Law. As such, the “project” should not proceed unless and until the MFPD makes a full and complete disclosure as to how this “site acquisition” would benefit the district.

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The limitations in the Fire Protection District Law are important considerations that add to the transparency requirements of government entities. In this case, there is a special district that wants to spend \$1,500,000 without making any disclosures about how the spending benefits its operations. That is not legal – and, it is not fair to the taxpayers who are entitled to transparency. The law requires disclosures by precluding the acquisition of property unless and until it can be shown to benefit the district.

Furthermore, the acquisition still would not be a legal transaction even if you considered the “potential future development of a fire station”. The “potential” development is just that - “potential”. In fact, it is highly speculative. At present, the placement of a fire station in the Coastal Zone (in which the lot is located) is illegal. In addition, the lot is currently zoned for residential and, therefore, a fire station cannot legally be built on the lot. These laws and zoning might be changed in the future, but they might not. Importantly, the MFPD has not presented any CEQA analysis or other legal, zoning, environmental or operational studies to show that its plan to build a fire station is even feasible at this location. Finally, the MFPD has not shown there is even a need for a fire station at this location. It is pure speculation to suggest that a fire station may be built here someday.

Thankfully, laws have been created to prevent special districts from making such speculative guesses with taxpayer’s money. The law clearly states that the district can only buy property that benefits the district. The district may not buy property that “might” benefit the district someday in the future if the laws are changed, if the zoning is changed, if the CEQA analysis is approved, if there is a need to double current capacity (from 2 to 4 stations), if, if, if. This project is way too speculative and acquisition at this time is not legally allowed under the Fire Protection District Law.

The MFPD should not acquire the site at this time because the acquisition of this very expensive asset is way too speculative and cannot be shown that it would benefit the district in any way.

Santa Barbara County Zoning Laws

All of the land use regulations state that no fire station should be built on the lot. And, the MFPD has not done a single bit of legal, environmental or community due diligence in order to contradict these zoning limitations. Because the only analysis we have to go on concludes that there should not be a fire station on the lot, the MFPD should not acquire the lot. It is really a quite simple conclusion.

If the MFPD wants to conduct the proper due diligence to contradict current land use restrictions, then it should do so and present that analysis through the proper rezoning process. Absent that, there should be no site acquisition. Indeed, why would the MFPD buy a lot it cannot use?

The MCP is the gold standard for planning and development in the Montecito area. The document, its updates and related land-use planning implementations were the result of substantial legal, environmental and community research to create a long-term sustainable system of land use for the Montecito area of Santa Barbara County. The document even reviewed, analyzed and made recommendations for fire protection related activities.

The MFPD now wishes to abruptly act in a manner completely inconsistent with the MCP. The MCP clearly states that the lot and adjoining area in question are residential areas. There are very specific goals, objectives, legal reasons and environmental considerations as to why the MCP reached these conclusions and why the zoning ordinances implementing the residential nature of the area were adopted. The MFPD should not subvert these ordinances nor the underlying legal, environmental and community reasons for their existence without first conducting its own analysis to ensure the new fire station is an acceptable use.

It is clear, the MFPD wants to gain undue project momentum for rezoning by conducting its "site acquisition" under the cover of the quick thirty (30) day notice trick. Assuredly, their argument later will be that since the MFPD owns the lot, the County should allow them to use it for the purposes for which it was acquired. That is undue project momentum and should not be condoned. The MFPD should conduct the legally required rezoning process now before it acquires the lot.

In addition, the rezoning process will allow for proper government transparency. The process requires analysis and disclosures to the County of Santa Barbara. The process is open to the public for comment and is very transparent for both sides. That is exactly how government is intended to work and how it should work in this case. The idea of slamming in a "project" with thirty (30) days notice is not how government should work. The MCP was not created in thirty (30) days and it should not be allowed to be completely rejected so quickly and without any analysis.

In addition, the area in question is within the Coastal Zone – an area where fire stations are not allowed. As with the residential designation, there were legal, environmental and community reasons analyzed and reviewed to make that conclusion and adopt the regulations. And again, the MFPD would have us ignore that sound analysis in favor of no analysis.

In short, there should be no "site acquisition" unless and until the MFPD has completed the proper re-zoning process with the County of Santa Barbara.

Fiduciary Obligations

The MFPD owes a fiduciary obligation to the taxpayers within the district to act with due care. At a minimum, that requires compliance with all legal requirements. For the reasons stated above, legal compliance has not been achieved and the acquisition should not be completed unless and until all legal requirements have been met.

The fiduciary duty of care also requires that the MFPD use reasonable judgment and investigation before committing to spend millions of dollars of taxpayer money. In this case, we can draw comparison to reasonable practices used in the business of real property acquisitions. The standard operating practice is to not acquire property unless and until either (1) proper zoning has been obtained for the proposed development; or (2) substantial due diligence has been completed to indicate zoning will be issued for the intended development. Here, the MFPD has not done either one. They have not obtained permits, the lot is not zoned for the intended use and the intended use is illegal in the Coastal Zone. In addition, the MFPD has not done any study or analysis to determine if obtaining development permits or rezoning is even feasible. No entity exercising the standard of care of a reasonably prudent businessperson would buy a lot in such a speculative situation. There is simply no reasonable explanation for taking such a risk in this case and, as such, to do so would violate the fiduciary obligation owed to the taxpayers.

In its rush to get another fire station the MFPD is also ignoring its own statistics and industry trends. This is just one more example of how it is failing to meet its fiduciary duty of care.

There is no doubt that every second counts during emergencies. So, what emergencies are occurring in the area serviced by the MFPD? Over the last year, the MFPD responded to an average of 1.75 fires per month. In contrast, the MFPD responded to an average of 60 emergency medical service ("EMS") incidents per month. This is a concrete trend that is seen year over year in the history noted on the MFPD website. The absolute fact is that MFPD's primary service is EMS. They respond to 34 times as many EMS calls as they do fire calls.

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This is also a trend across the country. In the early 1900's big cities battled fires all the time. Over the past 100 years, the building materials, fire sprinkler systems and code requirements for all aspects of construction have resulted in a drastic reduction of structure fires. Fire fighters spend most of their time on EMS calls, not on fires.

EMS calls require speed. Survivability can decline as the clock ticks away. According to the American Heart Association, every minute that passes between collapse and defibrillation, the chance of survival from sudden cardiac arrest declines by up to ten percent per minute if no CPR is provided.

EMS does not require huge fire trucks, vast amounts of equipment or large buildings to house trucks and equipment. EMS requires a brief case with emergency medical supplies and a well trained emergency medical technician.

The MFPD should be focused on current and future trends for EMS response to meet the needs of its taxpayers rather than focus on a 1900's model of building more fire stations to house more large fire trucks and more heavy equipment. What's the point? Does Montecito really need to double the amount of fire stations (from 2 to 4) and apparently

double all the trucks and asset that go along with them? Really. To respond to 1 or 2 fire calls a month. That means each fire station would get 1 fire call every two months. That is an absurd use of taxpayer money.

Instead, the MFPD should do what other jurisdictions are doing. Innovate. If the need is for speed, then move to a system of motorcycles equipped with emergency medical kits that are driven by an emergency medical technician. The guy in Ennisbrook who is having a heart attack does not need a hook and ladder truck in 10 minutes. He needs a technician with the right equipment there in 2 minutes. That type of response time can be achieved by innovating the use of existing fire stations.

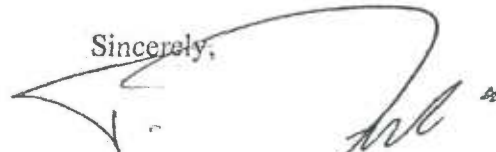
This is just one example of the potential opportunities that would be missed if the MFPD rushes to acquire this lot. The MFPD owes a fiduciary duty of care that requires proper investigation of current and future trends for service needs of the public. They have not done this investigation. The site acquisition would, therefore, violate the duty of care and should not proceed until a complete investigation and due diligence is completed.

Conclusion

The MFPD should not acquire the lot at this time. They need to first comply with a myriad of legal requirements under CEQA, the Fire Protection District Law, the MCP, Santa Barbara County Zoning Ordinance and many other laws. They also need to conduct investigations in order to meet their fiduciary obligations to the taxpayers.

Most importantly, the MFPD needs to act in a trustworthy and ethical manner that shows it cares about the environment, the MCP, the trends and needs for service, and the overall community dynamic that makes Montecito a special place. This rush to acquire the lot and avoid proper transparency and due diligence is not in keeping with the proud tradition of the MFPD and should be stopped now in favor of a more deliberate, legal and sound analytical process.

Sincerely,



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January 8, 2016

*Via Hand Delivery and
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Montecito Fire Protection District
595 San Ysidro Road
Santa Barbara, CA 93108

Attention: Chip Hickman, Fire Chief

**Re: Initial Study/Negative Declaration Proposed Fire Station – 1510 San
Leandro Lane, Montecito, California, APN 009-203-011**

Dear Chief Hickman:

My wife and I provide the below comments on the Initial Study/Negative Declaration for the proposed new fire station to be located at 1510 San Leandro Lane, Montecito, California (the "Project"). Our property is located at 171 Miramar Avenue, in the hedgerow area of Montecito, very near the proposed new fire station. We have lived in this semi-rural area of Montecito for 43 years and are very much opposed to the intrusion of a fire station in our residential neighborhood consisting exclusively of single family homes ranging primarily from ¼ to 1.5 acres in size. In view of the proximity of the proposed new fire station to our property, we have serious concerns regarding environmental and land use impacts resulting from the proposed Project.

I. BY NOT PREPARING AN EIR FOR THE PROJECT, THE DISTRICT IS FAILING TO MEET ITS OBLIGATION TO AT LEAST CONSIDER ALTERNATIVES THAT MAY HAVE LESS SEVERE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS.

Alternatives to the Project as Proposed Should be Considered.

It is a central policy of CEQA "that public agencies should not approve projects as proposed if there are feasible alternatives" which "would substantially lessen the significant effects of such projects." Pub. Res. Code Section 21002. In accordance with

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this policy, the California Supreme Court has stated that one of the “major functions” of an EIR is “to ensure that all reasonable alternatives to proposed projects are thoroughly assessed by the responsible official.” *Laurel Heights Improvement Assn. v. Regents of University of California* (1988) 47 Cal.3d 376, 400-401 (emphasis in original). The chief goal of CEQA “is mitigation and avoidance of harm,” and “alternatives and mitigation measures have the same functions – diminishing or avoiding adverse environmental effects.” *Id.*

By failing to prepare an EIR for the Project, the Montecito Fire Protection District (“MFPD”) is failing to meet its obligation to at least consider alternatives that may have less severe environmental impacts. One obvious alternative would be the “no project” alternative, thereby avoiding entirely the adverse impacts of this Project. Another reasonable alternative would be a project located outside of a residential neighborhood.

CEQA does not require an agency to adopt project alternatives; it only mandates that such alternatives be fully reviewed and considered. The MFPD should not be allowed to evade this mandate by preparing a Negative Declaration for the Project. Rather, an EIR should be prepared, thus allowing the MFPD, the County and the public to consider alternatives to the Project as proposed that would lessen or avoid its significant environmental effects.

II. COMMENTS ON THE INITIAL STUDY/NEGATIVE DECLARATION.

The parcel upon which the proposed fire station Project is to be constructed bears a County Comprehensive Plan residential land use designation of SRR-1.8 and is zoned 20-R-1 under the County’s Montecito Zoning Ordinance. The proposed fire station Project is thus patently incompatible with the existing surrounding land uses, zoning and intent of the General Plan. And, the use of residential zoning setbacks is inappropriate for a major public institutional project located within and immediately adjacent to a single family residential zone district. Incredibly, the Initial Study/Negative Declaration concludes that the Project has no land use impacts.

Moreover, the Project poses significant unmitigated impacts in terms of noise, traffic (e.g., ingress and egress on San Ysidro Road), water supply impacts and diminution of property values. Again, incredibly, the Initial Study/Negative Declaration concludes that the Project will have no noise, traffic or water supply impacts.

III. CONCLUSION.

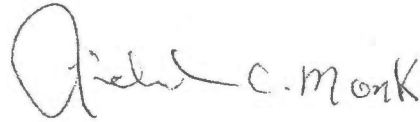
As appears more fully above, the Initial Study/Negative Declaration is inadequate under CEQA because by failing to prepare an EIR for the Project, the MFPD is failing to meet its obligation to at least consider alternatives that may have less severe environmental impacts.

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Further, the environmental document's analysis in the issue areas discussed above is inadequate to thoroughly and accurately address the Project's potentially significant environmental impacts. Additional mitigation measures should be included in the final environmental document.

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Respectfully submitted,



Richard C. Monk



Frances J.. Monk

RCM/crr

BOBBI AND PAUL DIDIER
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MONTECITO, CA 93108

January 10, 2016

Montecito Fire Department
Chip Hickman, Fire Chief
Board of Directors
595 San Ysidro Road
Santa Barbara, CA 93108

Dear Chief Hickman and MFD Board of Directors,

Imagine starting out as a young couple and saving so that you could move to Montecito and start your family. You selected Montecito because of the small town, peaceful/rural environment and excellent schools. Fast forward 30 years. You have remodeled your home significantly, spending over a million dollars in upgrades not to mention increased taxes. You have raised your family and are looking forward to retiring, sleeping in occasionally and enjoying a peaceful, relaxing lifestyle with time for grandchildren and walks on Miramar beach. OR, perhaps you are one of our new neighbors who just spent millions of dollars purchasing their homes and are spending another half a million or more to make it the home of their dreams. They bought these homes so their kids could walk to school and the beach in a quiet, safe neighborhood. Then you read about the most ill- suited project being proposed for this , your idyllic hedgerow neighborhood; a Fire Station – smack in the middle of a completely residential area, in fact one of the most historical neighborhoods in Montecito. You start to unravel a bit as you contemplate the excessive noise and traffic, the decrease in your property value, and the misguided notion that this would enhance the main entrance to Montecito.

This is where we and our neighbors now find ourselves- suspended somewhere between disbelief and outrage. We are pondering what it would be like to have sirens, flashing lights and loud trucks at all hours of the day and night. Angry that you are diminishing our net worth at a time when we may want or need to use it, that you are placing a fire station less than 1 mile down the road from the current fire station, that you are proposing to waste our tax payer dollars on such an ill-conceived project and that you are destroying our lovely hedgerow neighborhood with its rural, charming feel.

Now for the facts: The Montecito Community Plan states as its express purpose “to maintain the semi-rural character and quality of life in Montecito.” The proposed fire station is clearly the antithesis of this intent by the very nature of the lights, noise and traffic endemic to its existence. The proposed site is zoned as a residential neighborhood with strict rules governing building, footprint etc. We are personally familiar with the arduous process of getting a building permit and yet understand its necessity in wanting to maintain the intent of the Community Plan.

How then is this project possibly complying with the intent of the Community Plan? When did our neighborhood become a "mixed use" neighborhood? And lastly has there been consideration for the impact of fire trucks on the proposed roundabout at San Ysidro and Jameson? This is not only a busy intersection but is considered by many to be the entrance to Montecito. With the pending freeway construction, traffic diversion, confused tourists, renewed Miramar Hotel activity, a new roundabout and normal traffic patterns; adding fire trucks exiting and entering less than 200 feet from this activity spells nothing but disaster.

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Lastly, real estate experts overwhelmingly agree that a home in a noisy neighborhood is less valuable than one in a quiet neighborhood. Why then are you proposing to ignore existing zoning and diminish our property values? If we had wanted to buy a house near a fire station or in a commercial area and save considerable money we would have done so. In the proposed scenario we are, in essence, having the value of our homes taken from us without our consent or compensation.

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You may recall the very same Montecito community recoiling at the attempt to put a concrete sidewalk on San Ysidro from Jameson to Montecito Union School as it might disturb the rural nature of our neighborhood. Now you are proposing a commercial building with loud sirens, bright lights, constant noise and traffic along the same corridor. Our neighbors are upset as well by this attempt to drastically and negatively impact our neighborhood. We are chagrined that this project and real estate purchase have progressed this far before asking for community input. We do not see this as a fait accompli. We are only consoled by the fact that you can sell the property and get more than your investment back in return so that you may pursue a more viable plan.

We are clearly not convinced that the fact a consultant proposed a three linear fire station plan makes sense for our rural community of 10,000 residents. We look forward to discussing this in greater detail at your board meeting on January 25th.

Sincerely,

Bobbi and Paul Didier

Dear Montecito Fire Department,

We'd first like to express our sincere gratitude for everything you do to keep us safe. Thank you so much for your hard work and service to the community.

We'd also like to acknowledge that we're confident your department is in the best position to know whether you need another fire station and we are in full support of the short and long term strategies you develop related to the investments you may need in facilities, personnel and equipment necessary to do your important work.

That said, we can't support the possibility of building a new fire station at 1510 San Leandro Lane in the middle of our residential neighborhood. As the new owners of 1505 Lingate Lane, 1510 San Leandro Lane is nearly our next door neighbor. When we bought our house last month, on December 28, we relied on the character of the neighborhood as it is today: quiet, family and school oriented, and above all residential. Building a fire station 2 doors down would completely change that.

The station may be completely necessary, just not in the proposed location. This is especially true when there are commercial areas less than 1/2 mile away on Coast Village Road and East Valley Road. We respectfully request that the department pass on the purchase of 1510 San Leandro Lane and continue to look for a suitable location in one of the commercial districts in Montecito.

We strongly object to the department's purchase of 1510 San Leandro Lane.

Respectfully,

Hilary and Alex Dessouky

Sent from my iPad

From: robinlacks@cox.net [mailto:robinlacks@cox.net]
Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 1:52 PM
To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>
Cc: tyler@independent.com
Subject: Fwd: Demand for complete EIR before close of escrow

Subject: Demand for complete EIR before close of escrow

Dear MFPD Board,

We appreciate your efforts in trying to find an additional suitable fire station site for our ever growing community.

On the other hand your proposed site at the corner of San Ysidro Rd and San Leandro Lane in Montecito has too many negative environmental impacts to get our approval.

We hereby advise you that the Montecito Hedgerow Protective Assn is demanding a full EIR- Environmental Impact Report before you close escrow on this property, to verify its safety and to protect the taxpayers purchase money of the cash payment of over one million dollars.

Here are a list of our major concerns that will be a high risk for our community and may create a high financial liability exposure to the Fire Dept, the County and ultimately we the taxpayers. Having the close of escrow dated Jan 27, 2016 and the public hearing on Jan 25, 2016 does not give all parties due process of the law, and therefore is not in the community's best interest and in the long run could be considered reckless planning.

We demand escrow closing to be postponed until a full EIR is approved.

Here are some of the major concerns NOT addressed to date:

1. TRAFFIC DANGER

San Ysidro Rd is a two lane road - each lane 11 ft wide and a 5 ft bike path on either side. The site is located at the most congested part of San Ysidro Rd. There is no room for a car to pull over without pulling into a bike lane.

At peak times a 27 ft fire truck must travel down San Ysidro on the opposing lane creating all opposing oncoming traffic to pull into the bike lane..The three schools- Montecito Union, Crane School and Laguna Blanca's schoolchildren using the 5 ft bike path on both sides of San Ysidro will be in constant danger in a moments notice. Would you want your child to be put into this dangerous situation we ask you.

The road is not wide enough to accommodate the 27 ft fire trucks, cars in both lanes and school children in the bike lanes. The proposed roundabout will still not be able to handle all the growing traffic on this narrow two lane street which is also used as major artery. At peak times the traffic is now backed up at least 1/2 mile everyday.

2. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS-

In our research hazardous materials are usually stored on site (gas, oil etc). This would create danger to the close proximity to the homes nearby and also in close proximity to two private water wells

(Miramar Addition Improvement Co and Lingate Water Co) which have supplied dozens of homes their water supply for over a century.

These hazards need to be fully studied under an EIR.

3. R-1 ZONING-

Placing a fire station in the Hedgerow historic district will negatively change the architectural

character of one of Santa Barbara's most revered neighborhoods.

There are laws that protect historic homes and there are many homes near this site that are over 100 years old.

Putting a fire station in this R-1 century old area will also drastically change home values.

According to Real Estate law, any home in the vicinity of a fire station must be disclosed to all potential buyers in the Real Estate Transfer Disclosure.

Therefore all home values will be greatly devalued in the vicinity.

4.NOISE IMPACT-

Due to the heavily congested road in front of this site, the fire trucks will need to turn on sirens to enter the heavy traffic.

This noise will therefore impact this tranquil neighborhood within blocks of the site.

5. SIZE OF LOT

The lot size is .86 of an acre.

The protected Oak trees create approx 1/3 of the lot unusable.

This lot offers no room for future expansion or extra room for staff parking.

Due to these SERIOUS environmental impact concerns we demand a fully completed EIR before close of escrow.

Sincerely yours,

Montecito Hedgerow Protective Assn
Robin Lacks-President

From: Randall Badat [<mailto:Rbadat@cox.net>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 12:04 PM
To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>
Cc: scarbajal@sbcbos1.org; jtittle@sbcbos1.org
Subject: Proposed Fire Station

As a homeowner in the hedgerow at 124 Miramar Ave., I am located immediately around the corner from the proposed station. For at least a half dozen reasons I am opposed to the project. There are water issues, traffic considerations, home value depreciation, hazardous material storage concerns, noise and pedestrian safety problems.

The corner at San Ysidro and San Leandro is one of the most difficult to negotiate throughout most of the day, particularly during school pickup and drop offs. Due to this yet unresolved problem, an alarming number of our neighbors already use our street as a short cut to avoid trying to make the impossible left from San Leandro onto San Ysidro to get to the freeway. A station positioned at this location will most certainly exacerbate an already intolerable situation. It should also be noted that we are a neighborhood of narrow streets with no sidewalks. Those of us who walk are already imperiled by local traffic including Crane School parents streaming down San Leandro. And since the objective of the new facility is to better serve Ennisbrook and neighborhoods to our east, it stands to reason that there will be further negative impact by use of that thoroughfare. If traffic won't allow access onto San Ysidro, your trucks and vehicles will be forced to use San Leandro, or even worse, to use our block of Miramar as your shortcut to get to N. Jameson. The net result is a disaster in the making.

I won't go into detail on the other issues as I know many of our neighbors with professional expertise in these matters are voicing their disapproval. Suffice to say, I am strongly against the idea. If you are putting in a facility to serve Ennisbrook... please don't stick it in our backyard because Craig McCaw and his deep pocket neighbors would rather not have it in theirs. I'm afraid you are stirring up a hornet's nest. There should have been much more public outreach and advance notice. And let's not forget that there is a round-about in the pipeline for the intersection of Jameson and San Ysidro, along with the impending construction of the Miramar and the freeway. All of these converging on a treasured one hundred year old neighborhood. Your timing could not be worse. Maybe it's time to take a step back and give the idea a more considered approach, and our area the time and consideration it deserves.

Respectfully,

Randall Badat

-----Original Message-----

From: Ann Daniel [mailto:acdproductions@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 11:23 AM
To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>
Subject: Proposed Fire Station

January 12, 2016

To Whom It May Concern:

The proposed fire station at the intersection of San Leandro and San Ysidro is a serious concern to all who live in the tranquil Hedgerow community of Montecito.

At first reading, the most immediate issue is the impact of the already substantial traffic in the area. For a minimum of three hours each morning and three hours each afternoon, San Ysidro is already jammed with cars and trucks going into and out of Montecito. Add to that mix, the traffic for the three elementary schools--MUS, Laguna Blanca and Crane--served by the same streets. We now have a very nice walkway along one side of San Ysidro with limited crosswalks which means there are also pedestrians to consider. Additionally, there is a bike line on an already traffic burdened street.

A Fire Station entrance and egress would need to be on San Ysidro as San Leandro is narrow, has children and animals regularly at play, has beautiful overarching trees that might impede fire trucks and has blind corners that would increase the traffic dangers.

There are protected oak trees on the proposed site. It is unclear how a building of the scale required to house fire trucks and equipment would affect the trees. How will entrance and egress be managed without damaging trees?

Throughout the entire Hedgerow area there are wells bringing water into the drinking glasses of those who live here. As the current problems in Flint, Michigan and West Virginia suggest, we can't overlook this potential issue. What toxic chemicals will be stored at the proposed fire station? How will our ground water, our wells, our drinking water be affected? What agency will be responsible for testing the well water and if something does happen, which agency will bear the financial responsibility for new city water connections, loss of water on the individual properties and the value that adds to the property as well as the costs of any potential illness from tainted water that might emerge?

This is an R-1 residential neighborhood. And these residences must be protected in all ways. Families have lived in this neighborhood safely for over a hundred years.

An environmental impact study must be undertaken immediately to determine the viability of this proposal. There is no conscionable way around that request.

Sincerely,

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Ann Daniel
1526 San Leandro Lane
Santa Barbara, CA 93108

-----Original Message-----

From: Ann Kale [<mailto:akale@annkale.com>]

Sent: Monday, January 11, 2016 8:16 PM

To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>

Subject: San Ysidro Fire Station

As a resident of Montecito with a home on San Leandro Lane I cannot support building a new fire station at the corner of San Leandro Lane and San Ysidro. It makes no sense to me to have two fire stations within one mile of each other. I understand that there are many Montecito residents who wish for a shorter distances between the existing fire stations and their homes. However, I cannot see how a station at this new location will help those who live east of the existing San Ysidro station. It seems to me that locating the new station on this site simply because it is available for sale solves the community's greater concerns.

I strongly request that another site in the eastern area of Montecito be considered for greater service to our community.

Ann Kale
1569 San Leandro Lane
705-5344

Ann Kale Associates
Mobile phone

-----Original Message-----

From: Gautam Pai & Brooke Cheema [<mailto:bcgpdp@gmail.com>]

Sent: Monday, January 11, 2016 10:54 PM

To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>

Subject: 1510 San Leandro Lane

Mr. Hickman:

The following are concerns regarding the proposed fire station on 1510 San Leandro Lane:

1) The daily traffic backup on San Ysidro Road prohibits safe dispatch of emergency vehicles. The fire trucks would be forced to drive on the opposite side of the road into on coming traffic posing a danger.

There are children living on San Leandro Lane and could be crossing the street at the same time a fire truck is dispatched.

This is one reason fire stations are not found in neighborhoods.

The traffic would delay response time beyond your goal of 7 minutes negating the purpose of a new location.

2) Decrease in surrounding property values.

3) The size of the lot is not zoned for the size of your project.

The protected oaks significantly reduce the useable building space.

On site parking spaces need to be taken into account in the building envelope and further reduces the building space.

4) Hazardous material on site puts Lingate Water and the water well across the street at risk.

5) We would require an Environmental Impact Report for your proposed project.

6) 1510 San Leandro Lane has severe limitations for a fire department and significantly compromises the neighborhood, therefore it would be prudent to locate another property site such as the one suggested on the corner of South Jameson Lane.

South Jameson Lane would give the fire department quick access to the freeway without the obstruction of traffic.

Sincerely,

Brooke Cheema

-----Original Message-----

From: JEANNE TOWLES [mailto:jeannetowles@me.com]

Sent: Monday, January 11, 2016 4:34 PM

To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>

Subject: Fire station proposal on San Ysidro

I strongly oppose this. San Leandro is a street used by bikers, walkers, children. It is in a neighborhood that is full of families and properties that contribute to Montecito in high real estate taxes. It would impact our Rural" and peaceful neighborhood with traffic and noise and not at all in keeping with the high values in the hedge row area. Many children walk daily up San Ysidro to the Union School and neighbors on both side of San Ysidro use the street to walk.

Please find a more appropriate location for the fire station. One that is not in the middle of a wonderful community.

Jeanne Towles

Sent from my iPad

From: Jeffrey Schlossberg [<mailto:sbbulldog@mac.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 8:46 AM
To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>
Subject: Proposed fire station at 1510 San Leandro Ln

My friend, and father of my son in law, Marty Moore has described to me the resistance that the Birnam Wood residents put forward to a site near them. Unless I'm mistaken, that site was superior to the San Leandro property.

There are some basic issues that make the San Leandro site problematic. First, our neighborhood has not needed much in the way of emergency services. I will grant that access to 101 would be faster than the existing fire house on San Ysidro. I suspect that response times could be improved by several minutes.

On the other hand, through much of the day, traffic backs up from N Jameson far north of San Ysidro which would obstruct timely response and exacerbate our existing traffic and pollution burden. In addition, much of the local area in the San Leandro neighborhood is in an area of flooding. While fire equipment can transit most road hazards, not so other vehicle traffic. There is a real risk that roads may be blocked during periods of high rainfall.

I imagine that it is typical that folks in a neighborhood, particularly one with higher densities and smaller lots, have a "nimby" attitude. I would hope that if there is a well documented need for a fire house a better site could be found.

There are vacant sites on N Jameson, large ones near Tiburon Bay and another between La Vuelta and Arroqui. A site closer to Sheffield would seem to be more useful as well.

I sincerely hope that alternative options be explored, if, in fact, there is a substantial need for another facility.

We all look forward to the public meeting. Thank you for considering our needs.

Jeff
1559 San Leandro Ln

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From: jschaeman@aol.com [mailto:jschaeman@aol.com]

Sent: Monday, January 11, 2016 8:55 PM

To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>

Subject: Proposed Lower Montecito Fire Station

We completely understand the need to increase fire protection services in Montecito especially with the pending construction of the Miramar Hotel. I would like to express my concerns to the construction of a fire station at the corner of San Ysidro and San Leandro.

1. Traffic conditions are already impacted in the mornings and afternoons.
2. Loss of value to property owners who have paid a premium to be in a **residential only** hedgerow environment.
3. Visual and environmental impacts to the neighborhood.

These are some of my many concerns and look forward to getting more information. I plan to attend the open meeting later this month.

Regards,

Jessica and Michael Schaeman
1595 San Leandro Lane

From: Kathy Nicolson [<mailto:kjnicolson@gmail.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 8:27 AM

To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>

Subject: Proposed Fire Station

I would like to express and protest my concern to construction of a fire station at the corner of San Ysidro and San Leandro!

I strongly disapprove of this proposal for the following reasons:

1. traffic conditions in this area are already a big issue in this residential neighborhood.
2. this is a residential neighborhood with small children.
3. loss of value to property owners who have paid a premium to be in a residential only hedgerow environment.
4. environmental impact and impact of water in our neighborhood.
5. the lot size is way too small to support a structure of your magnitude.

These are just a few of many concerns. I am requesting that you DO NOT continue with this proposed project.

Thank you,

Kathy & David Nicolson

From: Laura Macker Johnston [<mailto:lauramackerjohnston@gmail.com>]

Sent: Monday, January 11, 2016 7:47 PM

To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>

Subject: proposed fire station at San Ysidro and San Leandro

I would like to express my vehement protest to construction of a fire station at the corner of San Ysidro and San Leandro!

I strongly disapprove of this proposal for the following reasons:

1. environmental impact — it is imperative that you conduct an environmental impact study as there will be a dramatic effect on our well water supply (hazardous materials on site)
2. traffic conditions at this area are also a big concern. This area experiences high traffic and already is a stressor in our residential neighborhood
3. loss of value to property owners who have paid a premium to be in a **residential only** hedgerow environment
4. the lot size is way too small to support such a structure

These are some of my many concerns. I request that you DO NOT continue with this proposed project. I plan to attend the open meeting later this month to voice my strong opposition.

Thank you,

Laura Macker Johnston
1544 San Leandro Lane

From: Rachael Stein [<mailto:rfsteinfamily@icloud.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 9:05 AM
To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>
Subject: Fire Station

We are sending this email to let you know that my family and I are very much against the proposed construction of a fire station at the corner of San Ysidro and San Leandro.

We are concerned about the environmental impact this would have and assume the appropriate environmental impact studies would be done especially as it impacts our already perilously low well water supply in the area as well as hazardous materials on site.

Traffic and noise conditions at this site are also a big concern. This area already experiences high traffic and is a stressor in our residential neighborhood. The traffic starts at the Jamison stop sign and is backed up past Laguna Lower school. Too much!

These are just a few of our concerns. We request that you DO NOT continue with this proposed project. We plan to attend the open meeting to voice our strong opposition.

Thank you,

Rachael and David Stein
237 San Ysidro Road
Santa Barbara, CA 93108

Sent from Rachael's iPhone ☐

From: Shelley [<mailto:shelleybadat@cox.net>]
Sent: Monday, January 11, 2016 7:24 PM
To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>
Subject: proposed fire house

Dear Mr. Hickman,

I am a concerned homeowner who lives close to the property that the Fire Department is considering for a new fire house.

I have read the proposal and feel that an EIR should be conducted if this project moves forward.. There are many projects that are in the works for this small neighborhood , the Miramar Hotel, possible expansion of the freeway and a roundabout....adding the possible construction of a fire house to the already extensive construction that seems to be slated for this area is too much and this neighborhood will be changed forever in a way that was never intended.

I appreciate all that the fire department does for Montecito and understand that things do change, but, there must be a more desirable and less impacted area to build another structure.

Thank you kindly
Shelley Badat

-----Original Message-----

From: Ted Simmons [mailto:ted.simmons@cox.net]
Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 10:55 AM
To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>
Cc: scarbajal@sbcbos1.org; jtittle@sbcbos1.org
Subject: Proposed Fire Station

I am writing in strong opposition to the proposed Fire Station at San Ysidro and San Leandro Lanes for the following reasons:

Traffic - San Ysidro is by far the busiest street in Montecito. Twenty minutes or more on either side of drop off or pick up it is the choke point for traffic for the three elementary schools in the area, Montecito Union, Laguna Blanca, and Crane. Not to mention the backup every Friday afternoon that goes from N. Jameson back up to Laguna Blanca starting around 3PM and lasting well after 5PM, and this is every Friday, much less on three day weekends. You could not possibly pick a worse intersection. |

Environmental - Many of the Hedgerow area homes are served by wells, some still for residential use as they have no MWD meter. I am our water districts Secretary and know what a valuable asset ours and the other ones are. Any possibility, no matter how remote, of contamination by the storing of hazardous materials will be strongly defended. We only have one aquifer in this area and once it's gone it's gone. |

Loss of property value - Many of us bought our homes in the Hedgerow as we prize amongst other things the tranquility. A fire station will ruin that forever. For many of us this is our nest egg and when we eventually sell the proceeds will be passed down to our kids. Will you be compensating us for that loss? As a Realtor I know that as I am now aware of your plans, I will have to disclose that to any prospective buyer. A fire station five doors away from us certainly defeats the concept of the peaceful Hedgerow and the sales price of our home will suffer. | 2.

Lastly I am disturbed by what seems to be the surreptitious way you have gone about this. You stated in the Montecito Journal you had contacted 30 neighbors yet after canvassing 20 of them my neighbors could only find one that you had, and it was during the holidays when I assume you thought most people would be away. I also note that I have received no notice whatsoever about getting an email in by 2PM today and as a former Montecito Association Vice President I still get copied on many many community and agency emails. I found out about this quite by accident from a neighbor. I wonder how many more you would have gotten if neighbors knew. Additionally scheduling the January 25th meeting at 2Pm insures that those who work cannot be there and parents with school age kids will only be able to attend for a short time. | 3.

The overall lack of transparency by a public agency is alarming.

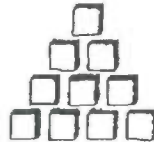
Ted Simmons

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Date: 11/2/16

Attention: CHIEF CHIP HICKMAN

Fax Number: 805-969-3598

Company: MONTICITO FIRE DEPT

From: ALAN FRAY

Regarding: LINCOLN LANE MUTUAL WATER CO

Comments: 1510 SAN LEANDRO LANE

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c/o Kennedy Accounting Systems
1332 De La Vina Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
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January 12, 2016

RE: 1510 SAN LEANDRO LANE

To Whom It May Concern:

You have been instructed that there is a \$1,000 transfer fee associated with the property at 1510 San Leandro Lane. This transfer fee entitles the owner to one share of stock in the Lingate Lane Mutual Water Company. Please note that presently there is no water at the property located at 1510 San Leandro Lane.

Sincerely,



Alan W. Fray, CPA for
Lingate Lane Mutual Water Company

Jonathan & Elizabeth Raith
180 San Ysidro Road
Montecito, CA 93108

January 12, 2016

Dear Chief Hickman,

First and foremost, my wife and I would like to thank you and your team for protecting our beautiful community every minute of every day. Whether a fire, home emergency, or someone in need, it's comforting to know that skilled and professional help is close by.

We are writing in response to the proposal for an additional fire department facility located on the corner of San Leandro and San Ysidro Road. We live at 180 San Ysidro Road and our property abuts the North side of the proposed parcel.

While we all understand public safety is paramount, we believe an alternative location would be better suited for the proposed facility. The construction of station at this site would be detrimental to the existing neighborhood for the following reasons:

1. Change of use for what is currently a zoned residential are. This would affect the immediate neighbors property values along with the entire neighborhood. Are there no laws that require a change of use for such a facility in a residential zone? | 1.
2. The parcel is really only 50% buildable as there is a registered Oak Preserve in the rear North section of the property. Those Oaks are magnificent and protected as of June 2003 under the Deciduous Oak Tree Protection and Regeneration Act. These trees have immense ecological and aesthetic value to our small neighborhood it would be a tragedy to lose them. | 2.
3. Traffic... as you are well aware this area of San Ysidro Road already suffers from significant congestion at peak traffic hours. Exiting the proposed facility during these hours would necessitate loud sirens and would disrupt the neighborhood peace. |
4. When is enough enough? Is there not ample coverage between the Montecito, Cold Spring and the Summerville stations to handle most daily needs? We were told this would be a small station with 2 -3 employees. Why then is the proposed plan suggesting a total of some 6000 square feet? | 3.

In closing we appreciate your need and desire to keep our community safe. However, we do not support the proposed station. We feel it is within the best interest of our neighborhood and the City of Santa Barbara to seek an alternative site for the new facility.

Respectfully,

Jonathan and Elizabeth Raith

From: RYAN SIEMENS [<mailto:rsiemens@me.com>]
Sent: Thursday, January 14, 2016 8:20 AM
To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>
Subject: New Fire Station Proposal

Dear Chief Hickman:

I'm writing to urge you and the MFPD to reconsider its proposal to open a new fire station on lower San Ysidro Road. To my knowledge (and we're residents of the area), it does little to expand the MFPD's ability to fight fires while likely costing an exorbitant amount of money (there are few fires of course in the southern tier of Montecito relative to the northern tier).

I know of no one among our neighbors interested in a new fire station in the neighborhood and while people in the hedge row area are friendly and tend to strongly support the fire department and its personnel, without additional knowledge to the contrary, it seems to me that this is a matter of the MFPD looking for somewhere to invest funds and not having a better immediate solution. If that's the case, I strongly urge you to stay on the lookout for something more appropriate to the task of expanding the MFPD's ability to actually fight fires.

Thank you for reconsidering the location of the new fire station to somewhere more appropriate than lower San Ysidro Road.

Warm regards,
Ryan Siemens

Ryan Siemens
(310) 614-0930
rsiemens@me.com

John W. Markham
115 Miramar Avenue
Santa Barbara, California 93108

Chip Hickman, Fire Chief
595 San Ysidro Road
Santa Barbara, California 93108

Dear Chief Hickman:

I would first like to draw your attention to a comment letter recently submitted by Thomas Deardorff II. In short, the Montecito Fire Protection District ("MFPD") should not acquire the real property at 1510 San Leandro Lane unless and until the MFPD complies with (1) the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"); (2) the limitations of power set forth for under the California Health and Safety Code; (3) Santa Barbara County zoning laws; and (4) its fiduciary obligations to the taxpaying citizens within its district.

Based upon the CEQA statute, the MFPD should redefine the proposed project to account not only for the proposed acquisition, but the **full extent of the project**; i.e., all phases of a discretionary project that are reasonably foreseeable. The piecemealing of the MFPD's proposal to include only the purchase of the property improperly limits the scope of the project and the analysis of effects under CEQA, and would potentially lead to an irreversible commitment of resources and a gutting of the intent of CEQA should the "project" move forward. A more legally defensible position would define the proposed project to include rezoning, acquisition, construction, and long-term operation.

Given the potentially significant impacts of the proposed (entire) project, I would highly recommend the MFPD prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposed project prior to committing significant public monies (~\$1.5 million) towards site acquisition. This analysis would afford the MFPD the opportunity to:

- Redefine the proposed project consistent with CEQA requirements
- Evaluate the purpose, need, and objectives for an additional (third) station within this relatively small community
- Further engage the stakeholders in meaningful (e.g., two-way) dialogue
- Identify and evaluate alternatives to the proposed project (e.g., no action, alternative locations, alternative methods of service distribution)
- Adequately evaluate the anticipated direct, indirect, and cumulative effects (and merits) of the proposed project, and,
- Identify potential avoidance and minimization measures that would reduce the direct, indirect, and cumulatively considerable effects of the proposed project.

The anticipated effects of the redefined proposed project at the District-preferred location would include potentially significant short-term impacts on noise, traffic, safety, and biological resources, and potentially significant long-term impacts on noise, traffic (individual and cumulative), land use, property values, and the historic character and aesthetic of the adjoining neighborhood and its residences.

In addition, based upon the findings of the *Standards of Coverage Study and Risk Assessment* (Citygate Associates, LLC November 2014), the proposed location of the new fire station would not meet the immediate nor projected needs of the community with respect to reduced response times. Select findings of this report are as follows [emphasis added in bold]:

- *Finding #3-4*: The coverage of the Effective Response Force (First Alarm) to serious fires is adequate in the most populated areas of the District, but **insufficient** for four-fire engine coverage **in the eastern areas of the District**.

January 13, 2016

John W. Markham
115 Miramar Avenue
Santa Barbara, California 93108

- *Finding #3-5:* First-due and multiple-unit coverage at best practice suburban response times are **insufficient in east Montecito**. All areas do not have the same equity of coverage for the tax revenues paid to the District.
- *Finding #3-6:* Given only two fire stations, where multiple unit incidents are needed at serious incidents or for simultaneous incidents, the District is co-dependent on mutual aid, which in **east Montecito becomes more problematic** if the Carpinteria-Summerland station is committed elsewhere and not immediately available.
- *Finding #3-8:* Give that Station 2 has longer travel times, partially due to assisting Station 1, the **only way to lower travel times in Montecito would be to add a third unit east of Station 1** that could not only lower response times in east Montecito, but could handle some calls in the eastern side of Station 1 leaving it more available for calls in the center of the community. This also would mean that Station 2 would be called less to cover all of central and east Montecito when Station 1 is on an incident.
- *Finding #3-10:* The District would be best served by operating a three fire station model in the shape of a triangle, relocating station 1 closer to the coast. Doing so would best fit the topography.

The prevailing findings indicate that a fire station located in eastern Montecito would best serve the needs of the community, a topic of concern that the MFPD has raised in prior years. Though the report indicates that "lining up three fire stations in a linear method across the District would place the center station farther away from the bulge in the coast containing the highest population, risks, and emergency incident densities", it also concludes that "**Two thirds of Montecito has best practice coverage and response times,**" with the exception of eastern Montecito, which "leaves the eastern section underserved...." Further, it is difficult to discern how the center station, which presumably would remain in the current Station 1 location, would somehow become *farther away* from the aforementioned bulge in the coast. This does not seem logical, and requires additional explanation. In contrast, consistent with Finding #3-8, adding a third unit east of Station 1 would render Station 1 (the center station in a linear configuration) "...more available for calls in the center of the community." According to the report, the last finding (Finding #3-10) was added at your direction; however, this statement disregards the analysis and most persistent findings of the report, thus circumventing the intent of this study. In short, it is not at all clear that the MFPD has made a convincing case for siting an additional station in the coastal zone, when the most apparent need is for a station in eastern Montecito.

In summary, the MFPD appears to be moving ahead in an imprudent and fiscally irresponsible manner that is inconsistent with the minimum requirements of CEQA, the most pressing needs of the community, and the stellar reputation the MFPD has dutifully established over its history. I would highly recommend the MFPD reconsider its immediate plans to purchase the residential lot at 1510 San Leandro Lane. Should MFPD continue to pursue acquisition and conversion of this lot for purposes of adding a new fire station, the District is obligated to conduct a comprehensive environmental analysis pursuant to the CEQA statute in light of the full extent of the proposed project, including reassessment of the project purpose & need, an analysis of alternatives to the proposed project, full disclosure of the potential environmental effects of the proposed project, and more meaningful stakeholder involvement.

Sincerely,

John Wells Markham

January 13, 2016

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ATTACHMENT C – Responses to Comments

Response to Comments

Judith Ishkanian, January 8, 2016

Thank you. Your comments are noted.

Thomas D. Deardorff, II, January 8, 2016

1. Under CEQA, a “project” is defined as the “whole of an action” that may result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect impact (14 Cal Code Regs §15378a), and an agency must consider the entire activity to determine whether it could have an effect on the physical environment. The project in this instance is limited to the acquisition of a vacant parcel located at 1510 San Leandro Lane, as no specific details related to the construction or operation of a fire station is available at this time. The Initial Study/Negative Declaration found no substantial evidence that this acquisition would result in any significant impact on the environment. As stated in the Initial Study/Negative Declaration, the District’s intent in purchasing the parcel is for the eventual development and operation of a fire station in order to improve response time in the southern area of the District’s boundary. At this time it would be speculative to analyze the environmental effects of a fire station that has not yet been designed and its operational characteristics yet to be determined. Under the circumstances, to attempt any further environmental review of an unknown project on this site would not be feasible.
2. The District entered into a purchase agreement for the subject property as it one of few (if not the only) vacant parcels available in the area identified by the Standards of Coverage and Risk Assessment Study for a new fire station to serve the southern area of the District’s jurisdiction and to improve response times to areas currently outside of the District’s adopted response time goal. CEQA requires that environmental review should be coordinated in a timely fashion with the existing planning, review, and project approval process to *the maximum extent feasible*. However, given the unique opportunity to purchase the property and the escrow terms of the transaction, it was not feasible to design a project prior to entering into a purchase agreement with the seller. Accordingly, the analysis included in the Initial Study/Draft Negative Declaration is related only to acquisition of the property. Prior to any physical development of the site, discretionary actions by a separate and independent governmental agency (i.e. the County of Santa Barbara) will be required. The County, acting as Lead Agency under CEQA, would at that time conduct a full environmental review of the physical and operational characteristics of the proposed project.
3. The potential environmental impacts and policy conflicts associated with acquisition of the parcel were analyzed in the Initial Study/Draft Negative Declaration. As stated above, the Project is limited solely to acquisition with no physical development proposed. The site is currently vacant and will remain vacant until such time discretionary approvals are granted by the County for a fire station. Analyzing the hypothetical impacts of a future fire station against an unapproved and unbuilt residence would be highly speculative and therefore infeasible.

4. Comments noted. Economic impacts are not required to be analyzed under CEQA. Nevertheless, the District is acquiring the parcel in order to locate a future fire station in the southern area of its jurisdiction in order to improve response times to certain neighborhoods and better serve the community. In addition, the subject parcel was chosen specifically because it is vacant. There are few, if any, similarly located vacant parcels of the required size available for purchase. Acquisition of a developed parcel would be cost prohibitive given Montecito property values and not be in the best economic interest of the District. Moreover, acquisition of the parcel does not commit the District to any particular course of action to develop a new station. If discretionary approvals are not granted by the County, the District may sell the property with little or no economic risk. Furthermore, California Health & Safety Code § 13861 (b) expressly authorizes the Fire District “to acquire and to hold” property for the purpose of providing fire protection within the district.
5. The County’s Montecito Land Use and Development Code (MLUDC) was adopted by the Board of Supervisors and currently allows public safety facilities (including fire stations) to be permitted with a Conditional Use Permit in the R-1 zone district. However, the Coastal Zone portion of the MLUDC has not yet been certified by the California Coastal Commission (CCC) and therefore the antiquated Article II Coastal Zoning Ordinance is still in effect. If the MLUDC is not yet certified by the CCC at the time of application for a fire station, discretionary review of the project will include a request to amend Article II consistent with the provisions of the MLUDC to conditionally permit fire stations in the R-1 district.
6. Comment noted. Fiduciary obligations to taxpayers are not subject to CEQA review and analysis.

Hollister and Brace, January 8, 2106

1. The scope of the project is limited solely to the purchase of a vacant parcel located at 1510 San Leandro Lane. The Initial Study found no substantial evidence that this acquisition will have any significant effect on the environment. As such, an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) is not required to be prepared. CEQA mandates that alternative analyses are to be reviewed and considered only as part of an EIR, not as part of an Initial Study/Negative Declaration (14 Cal Code Regs §15071).
2. As discussed in the Initial Study/Draft Negative Declaration, the District has not yet designed a fire station for the site, therefore there is no specific information available at this time with respect to structural development or station related activities to analyze. However, the document does disclose that under the existing Article II zoning ordinance, fire stations are not allowed as either a permitted use or conditionally permitted use. Therefore, future discretionary actions by the County of Santa Barbara will be necessary to amend the ordinance (or rezone the parcel) and approve the required permits for development. As part of this review, the County shall also be the lead agency in preparation of the appropriate CEQA document.

3. As noted above, the current project is the acquisition of a vacant parcel by the District. Any future potential impacts related to construction and operation of a fire station at the site shall be analyzed during discretionary processing of the project by the County of Santa Barbara.
4. Comment noted. See comments 1-3 above.

Bobbi and Paul Didier, January 10, 2016

1. The Initial Study/Draft Negative Declaration analyzes the potential environmental effects associated solely with acquisition of the parcel by the District. Future discretionary review and approval by the County of Santa Barbara will be required prior to development of a fire station on the parcel. At that time the County would also be the lead agency and conduct full environmental review of the physical and operational characteristics of the project including traffic and land use compatibility.
2. Thank you. Your comments are noted.

Hillary and Alex Dessouky, January 8, 2016

Thank you. Your comments are noted.

Robin Lacks, January 12, 2016 (via email)

The Initial Study/Draft Negative Declaration analyzes the potential environmental effects associated solely with acquisition of the parcel by the District. Future discretionary review and approval by the County of Santa Barbara will be required prior to development of a fire station on the parcel. At that time the County would also be the lead agency and conduct full environmental review of the physical and operational characteristics of the project including traffic, hazardous materials, land use compatibility, and noise.

Randall Badaat January 12, 2016 (via email)

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Ann Daniel, January 12, 2016 (via email)

- 1-4. The Initial Study/Draft Negative Declaration analyzes the potential environmental effects associated solely with acquisition of the parcel by the District. Future discretionary review and approval by the County of Santa Barbara will be required prior to development of a fire station on the parcel. At that time the County would also be the lead agency and conduct full environmental review of the physical and operational characteristics of the project including traffic, biological resources, hazardous materials, and water resources.

Ann Kale, January 11, 2016 (via email)

Thank you. Your comments are noted.

Brooke Cheema, January 11, 2016 (via email)

Thank you for your comments. The Initial Study/Draft Negative Declaration analyzes the potential environmental effects associated solely with acquisition of the parcel by the District. Future discretionary review and approval by the County of Santa Barbara will be required prior to development of a fire station on the parcel. At that time the County would also be the lead agency and conduct full environmental review of the physical and operational characteristics of the project.

Jeanne Towles, January 11, 2016

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Jeffrey Schlossberg, January 12, 2016 (via email)

Thank you. Your comments are noted.

Jessica and Michael Schaeman, January 11, 2016 (via email)

Thank you for your comments. The Initial Study/Draft Negative Declaration analyzes the potential environmental effects associated solely with acquisition of the parcel by the District. Future discretionary review and approval by the County of Santa Barbara will be required prior to development of a fire station on the parcel. At that time the County would also be the lead agency and conduct full environmental review of the physical and operational characteristics of the project.

Kathy Nicolson, January 12, 2016 (via email)

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Laura Macker Johnson, January 11, 2016 (via email)

Thank you for your comments. The Initial Study/Draft Negative Declaration analyzes the potential environmental effects associated solely with acquisition of the parcel by the District. Future discretionary review and approval by the County of Santa Barbara will be required prior to development of a fire station on the parcel. At that time the County would also be the lead agency and conduct full environmental review of the physical and operational characteristics of the project.

Regarding lot size, the District believes the parcel is of adequate size to locate a fire station to serve the needs of the community.

Rachel and David Stein, January 12, 2016 (via email)

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Shelly Badat, January 11, 2016 (via email)

Thank you. Your comments are noted.

Ted Simmons, January 12, 2016 (via email)

- 1-2. The Initial Study/Draft Negative Declaration analyzes the potential environmental effects associated solely with acquisition of the parcel by the District. Future discretionary review and approval by the County of Santa Barbara will be required prior to development of a fire station on the parcel. At that time the County would also be the lead agency and conduct full environmental review of the physical and operational characteristics of the project including traffic, hazardous materials, and water resources.

3. In order to meet legal requirements, notice of availability of Initial Study was provided by three different methods: (i) a legal advertisement was published in the Montecito Journal on December 17, 2015, (ii) a notice was posted at the Montecito Library on December 17, 2015, and (iii) notices were mailed to immediately adjacent property owners and occupants. The outreach by Chief Hickman to the neighborhood was done in addition to meeting the necessary legal requirements of CEQA.

Alan Fray, Lingate Lane Mutual Water Company, January 12, 2016 (via FAX)

Thank you. Your comment is noted.

Jonathan and Elizabeth Raith, January 12, 2016

1. Thank you. Your comment is noted. However, economic impacts to property values are not required to be analyzed under CEQA.
2. The Initial Study/Draft Negative Declaration analyzes the potential environmental effects associated solely with acquisition of the parcel by the District. Future discretionary review and approval by the County of Santa Barbara will be required prior to development of a fire station on the parcel. At that time the County would also be the lead agency and conduct full environmental review of the physical and operational characteristics of the project including traffic and biological resources.
3. The parcel is being acquired because it is ideally located in an area of the District that has been identified in the Standards of Coverage and Risk Assessment Study for the location of a new fire station to serve the southern portion of the District's jurisdiction in order to improve response times to areas currently outside the District's adopted response time goal. However, the physical and operational characteristics of the project have yet to be developed and no information is currently available as to the size of a future station or the number staff stationed at that location.

Ryan Siemens, January 14, 2016 (via email)

Thank you. Your comments are noted.

John Markham, January 13, 2016

1. Responses to these issues are addressed above. Please see responses 1-3 to the Thomas Deardorff, III letter.
2. Thank you for the comments. The operational characteristics and associated potential environmental impacts of the project will be fully analyzed at the time of discretionary review by the County of Santa Barbara.

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-01

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT REGARDING ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS FOR THE ACQUISITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1510 SAN LEANDRO LANE.

WHEREAS, the Montecito Fire Protection District (AFire District@) is organized pursuant to California's Fire Protection District Law of 1987 (Health and Safety Code Section 13800 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, Health and Safety Code Section 13861 provides the Fire District broad powers to acquire and hold property necessary to provide fire protection services and any other services relating to the protection of lives and property; and

WHEREAS, the Fire District has entered into that certain Vacant Land Purchase Agreement and Joint Escrow Instruction dated November 11, 2015, with Design & Build Concepts, LLC, a Florida limited liability company for the acquisition of certain property located at 1510 San Leandro Lane ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, approval of the Project is subject to and must comply with the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (ACEQA@); and

WHEREAS, the Montecito Fire Protection District prepared a draft Initial Study/Negative Declaration in compliance with CEQA to evaluate and consider the environmental consequences and impacts associated with approval of the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Montecito Fire Protection District published a Notice of Intent to Adopt Negative Declaration on December 16, 2015, pursuant to Section 15072 of the State CEQA Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, members of the public and other interested and affected public agencies were requested and encouraged to provide comments on the adequacy of the Negative Declaration until January 14, 2016, pursuant to Section 15073 of the State CEQA Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors have considered the Negative Declaration together with the comments received during the public review process and during the public hearing.

WHEREAS, the potential environmental impacts of the project have been evaluated in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act and the County of Santa Barbara's Environmental Guidelines; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Directors of Montecito Fire Protection District does hereby resolve as follows:

SECTION 1. CEQA Findings: Based upon all the evidence, the Board makes the following findings in certifying the Final EIR:

1. Based upon the entire record before the Board of Directors there is no substantial evidence that the Project will have a significant effect on the environment.
2. The Negative Declaration reflects the independent judgment of the Board.
3. The Negative Declaration has been completed in compliance with the requirements of CEQA.
4. The Negative Declaration is adequate for the Project.
5. The District's Fire Chief located at 595 San Ysidro Road, Santa Barbara, California, shall be the custodian of the documents and other materials that constitute the records of these proceedings.

SECTION 2. Project Approval. The Fire District hereby approves the Project and authorizes Fire District's Fire Chief or his designee to take all needed actions in consultation with District's General Counsel relative to (i) the acquisition of the property; and (ii) any other agreements for the purpose of acquiring the Property.

SECTION 3. Certificate of Acceptance. The Fire Chief is hereby authorized to execute a Certificate of Acceptance in accordance with Government Code section 27281.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Governing Board of the Montecito Fire Protection District this 25th day of January, 2016, by the following vote, to wit:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

President of the Board of Directors
MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

ATTEST:

Secretary

Agenda

Item #5

LAFCO

Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission

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December 7, 2015

TO: Presiding Officers of Independent Special Districts

Subject: Special District Appointment(s) to Santa Barbara LAFCO

NOTICE OF A MEETING OF THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY INDEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT SELECTION COMMITTEE

THIS NOTICE WILL CALL AND GIVE NOTICE that the Santa Barbara County Independent Special District Selection Committee will meet on **Monday, January 25, 2016 at 5:00 p.m.** The meeting will be held at the Santa Ynez Valley Marriot, 555 McMurray Road in Buellton, California.

Purpose: The purpose of this meeting is to (a) Select a Regular Special District Member of the Commission for a term of office from March 2, 2016 to March 1, 2020. This position is currently held by Craig Geyer, a Director on the Goleta West Sanitary District, whose term expires on March 1, 2016, and (b). Select an Alternate Special District member. This position is currently held by John Fox, a Director on the Goleta Sanitary District, whose term also expires on March 1, 2016.

Call for Nominations: Nominations for the Regular Special District member should be submitted to the LAFCO Executive Officer, at the above address, **no later than January 15, 2016.** Nominations may be received by mail or offered from the floor at the meeting. A nomination form is attached to this notice.

Who Can Vote: The Presiding Officer each Independent Special District is authorized to vote for the Special District members on LAFCO. However, if the presiding officer is unable to attend the meeting, the legislative body of the district may appoint one of its members to attend the meeting of the selection committee in the presiding officer's place. There is one vote per district. Members representing a majority of the eligible district shall constitute a quorum, which is necessary for the selection committee to conduct its business.

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



PAUL HOOD

Executive Officer

Commissioners: Doreen Farr, Chair ♦ Roger Aceves ♦ Craig Geyer ♦ Jeff Moorhouse ♦ Bob Orach ♦ Janet Wolf ♦ John Fox ♦ Steve Lavagnino ♦ Jim Richardson ♦ Shane Stark ♦ Roger Welt ♦ **Executive Officer:** Paul Hood

Joyce Reed

From: Araceli Gil
Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2016 1:27 PM
To: Joyce Reed
Subject: FW: Special District Selection Committee - Withdrawal of Regular Member Application

Araceli Gil, District Accountant
Montecito Fire Protection District
(805) 969-4332 Direct
agil@montecitofire.com

From: Alexander, Jacquelyne [mailto:jralexander@co.santa-barbara.ca.us]
Sent: Thursday, January 21, 2016 10:14 AM
To: Alexander, Jacquelyne <jralexander@co.santa-barbara.ca.us>
Subject: Special District Selection Committee - Withdrawal of Regular Member Application

Good Afternoon Presiding Officers - Santa Barbara County Independent Special Districts,

[Dave Novis has withdrawn his nomination as Regular Special District Member on the Santa Barbara Local Agency Formation Commission \(SBLAFCO\).](#)

Please contact the LAFCO office if you have any questions at (805) 568-3391.

Thank you,

Jacquelyne Alexander
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
County of Santa Barbara
105 E. Anapamu St.
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
t: 805.568.2247
f: 805.568.2249

**SANTA BARBARA
LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION**

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| <p>NOMINATION FOR SPECIAL DISTRICT MEMBER</p> <p><i>Return to: Executive Officer Santa Barbara LAFCO 105 East Anapamu Street, Room 406 Santa Barbara CA 93101 Or FAX to 568-2249</i></p> | <p>COUNTY OF SANTA BARBARA CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS LAFCO SERVICE</p> <p>Date Received: _____</p> |
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| <p>NAME OF NOMINEE:</p> <p><u>Craig Geyer</u></p> <p>_____</p> | <p>NAME OF DISTRICT:</p> <p><u>Goleta West Sanitary District</u></p> <p>_____</p> |
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| <p>MAILING ADDRESS:</p> <p><u>5900 Encina Rd #6</u></p> <p><u>Goleta Ca. 93117</u></p> <p>_____</p> | <p>TELEPHONE:</p> <p>Home: <u>805-967-3190</u></p> <p>Bus: _____</p> <p>Cell: <u>805-896-9889</u></p> <p>Fax: _____</p> |
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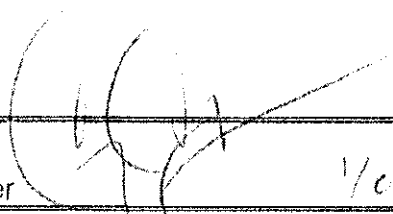
In the past 4-years, as a LAFCO special district "REGULAR" member, I have worked hard for and achieved;

- 1) LAFCO budget clarity, accountability and transparency.
- 2) LAFCO fee schedules that closer reflect "cost-recovery" of applications.
- 3) Promoted the adoption of LAFCO policies that benefit all member agencies.
- 4) Served on SBLAFCO ad-hoc committees that; a) recommended to not renew the previous LAFCO executive officers contract. b) Recruitment of the new SBLAFCO executive officer.
- 5) I have contacted every special district that has had an application before SBLAFCO, offering assistance.

Special District "Municipal Service Reviews" (MSR) will be conducted in the coming year. I am asking for your vote of support and if elected, will be there to ensure your MSR reflects what your district wants.

Craig Geyer



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| SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE: |  |
| Craig Geyer | 1/05/15 |

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| NAME OF NOMINEE: <u>David D Novis</u> | NAME OF DISTRICT: <u>Summerland</u> <u>Sanitary District</u> |
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| MAILING ADDRESS: <u>P.O. Box 32</u> <u>Summerland CA 93067</u> | TELEPHONE: Home: <u>805-969-4154</u> Bus: _____ Cell: <u>805-259-7596</u> Fax: _____ |
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*Education: BA University of Connecticut
MBA - City College of N.Y.*

*Work Experience: Publisher & Owner Princeton NJ News Page
1982-88 Publisher & Owner Goleta SUN
1993-1997 Publisher & Owner Goleta Valley Voice*

*Volunteer - County Advisory Alcohol & Drug Abuse 2009-20
Summerland Sanitary District 2011-2015*

SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE: David D Novis

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| <p>POSITION SOUGHT: Special District Member <u>Alternate Special District Member</u> ²⁰¹⁷</p> | |
| <p>NAME OF NOMINEE:</p> <p>_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JOHN R. FOX</p> | <p>NAME OF DISTRICT:</p> <p>_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Goleta Sanitary District</u></p> <p>_____</p> |
| <p>MAILING ADDRESS:</p> <p>_____</p> <p style="text-align: center;">333 Old Mill Rd. # 293, Santa Barbara, Ca. 93110</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> | <p>TELEPHONE:</p> <p>Home: <u>805 967 9071</u></p> <p>Bus: <u>Same</u></p> <p>Cell: <u>805 895 4993</u></p> <p>Fax: <u>805 967 9071</u></p> |
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| <p>SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE: John R. Fox <u>John R. Fox</u></p> | |

RESUME - John R. Fox

- PERSONAL INTERESTS:
- Travel - Has visited forty countries
- QUALIFICATIONS:
- Air Force Service as R&D Procurement Officer & Cost Analyst
- Santa Barbara County Liaison Officer to Air Force Academy
- Teaching - Taught Business Administration Classes at Santa Barbara City College for 35 years. UCSB extension Taught Contract Management for 10 years.
- EXPERIENCE:
- LAFCO commission 20 years. Served in all categories (voting, alternate & chair)
- 40 years as Board member Goleta Sanitary District. Initiated action leading to joint partnership with Goleta Water District for construction of 3,000,000/gal/day reclaimed water treatment & distribution. Familiarity with biosolids treatment and distribution/disposal. Two major plant upgrades.
- Familiarity with Special District operations in over 20 specialties i.e. Wastewater, Water, Rec. Park, CSD, Airport, Cemetery etc.
- California Special Districts Association. 20 years on Board. Served as chair of most committees, all officers including President in 2006-7.
- California Special Districts Finance Corp. 12 years on Board. 10 years as President. Developed almost 1 Billion in Funding of Capital Improvement Programs.
- CSDA Chapter. Santa Barbara Chapter on Founding Committee. President 4 terms. Board Member 25 years. Served as CSDA rep to LAFCO in joint recruiting effort to get Special District representation on LAFCO.
- EDUCATION:
- Undergraduate University of Massachusetts BBA
- Harvard Business School Graduate Studies Program
- VOLUNTARY ACTIVITIES:
- Area leader Rancho Santa Barbara Disaster Preparedness Committee.

Your vote for me on January 25 would be greatly appreciated.

Any questions - call me at 805-967-9071

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POSITION SOUGHT: Special District Member Alternate Special District Member

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| NAME OF NOMINEE: <u>Judith M. Ishkanian, Ph.D.</u> | NAME OF DISTRICT: <u>Montecito Sanitary District</u> |
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| MAILING ADDRESS: <u>1480 San Leandro Park Road</u> <u>Santa Barbara CA 93108</u> | TELEPHONE: Home: <u>805-969-6020</u> Bus: _____ Cell: <u>805 680-5412</u> Fax: <u>805 969-0297</u> |
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I have served on the MSD Board of Directors since 2006. I have been President three times. I am Vice President of SBC CSPA and have been nominated to be President, CSPA 2016 - (Voting Jan 25) I am currently Pres. of Neighborhood Defense League (since 2005) but plan to retire from that organization this month. From that association I learned about land use issues in County, City, STATE GOVT.

I have a Ph.D. in History from UCSB, 1993, and from that training I have ability to read and assimilate large amounts of information and analyze it. I am Married, 3 grown Children + lived N. S. B. since 1961

SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE: Judith M. Ishkanian, Ph.D.

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POSITION SOUGHT: Special District Member Alternate Special District Member

NAME OF NOMINEE:

DAVID M SEYMOUR

NAME OF DISTRICT:

SANTA YNEZ
CSD

MAILING ADDRESS:

PO BOX 790
SANTA YNEZ CA 93460

TELEPHONE:

Home: 805-688-6655
Bus: 805-688-8800
Cell: 805-680-7777
Fax: 805-688-8895

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SIGNATURE OF NOMINEE:

David M Seymour

SANTA BARBARA
L.A.F.C.O. Alternate Special District Member

Born in Pennsylvania, I graduated from California University of Pennsylvania located in California City, PA. I taught design, world of construction and woodshop for L.A. City Schools for nearly 20 years. My wife and I moved here from Rolling Hills Estates in 1981 where we continued to breed, raise and show Peruvian horses.

My interests are furniture design and building what I design. I have been an active member of the Santa Ynez Valley Woodworkers Guild since it's first year. I enjoy operating the sound board at SYV Presbyterian Church and filming the sermons as well as capturing weddings and celebrations of life and making CDs for the families.

My principal income comes from being a General Contractor specializing in restoration, renovation and remodeling of historical estates from Montecito up to Carmel, specializing in George Washington Smith and Reginald Johnson.

I have been a member of Santa Ynez Valley CSD since 2004, serving as President twice. I've also been a member of CSDA for 5 years. I am involved because I care about the Santa Ynez Community and all the changes taking place in the SY Valley as well as the coming changes that may lie in the near future, and the new LAMP program being implemented here.

One of the most important reasons I am applying for the position of Alternate Special District Member is because, to date, the North County has not been represented and it covers a large geographic area and many families as well as businesses.

It would be a privilege to serve the community in which I live and care about by being a member of the LAFCO Commission. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Dave Seymour

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dave Seymour". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the printed name "Dave Seymour".

SBCCSDA 2016 Board of Directors
(Nominating Committee Recommendations)

| Position | 2015 | 2016 |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| President | Craig Geyer, GWSD | Judy Ishkanian, MWD |
| Vice President | Judy Ishkanian, MWD | Jeff Hodge, SYCSD |
| Secretary | Dick Shaikewitz, MWD | Larry Meyer, GWSD |
| Treasurer | Veroneka Reade, SMPAD | Veroneka Reade, SMPAD |
| Past President | Joe Barget, VVCSD | Craig Geyer, GWSD |
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| Director, District 1 | Jeff Moorhouse, CSD | Jeff Moorhouse, CSD |
| Director, District 2 | George Emerson, GSD | George Emerson, GSD |
| Director, District 3 | Tony Fox, VVCSD | Tony Fox, VVCSD |
| Director, District 4 | (Vacant) | Hugh Rafferty, SMPAD |
| Director, District 5 | (Vacant) | (Vacant) |
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| Director, At-Large | Jack Cunningham, GWD | |
| Director, At-Large | Rodney Gould, IVPRD | |
| Director, At-Large | Jeff Hodge, SYCSD | |
| Director, At-Large | Larry Meyer, GWSD | |

Chapter Bylaws, Article III (Directors), Section 1 (Number, Term, and Qualifications)

The Board of Directors shall consist of up to 14 directors as follows:

President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Immediate Past President.

One director from each of the five supervisorial districts in Santa Barbara County, in which there is at least one regular member of the Chapter. A member whose boundaries extend into more than one supervisorial district shall be deemed to be located in that supervisorial district where its principal office is located.

Up to four at-large directors.

It is the intent of the membership that directors be elected so as to reflect a balance of special districts by geography, type, and size.

Each director shall either be a member of the governing body or an employee of a regular member. An independent contractor who provides substantial services to a regular member is considered an employee.

No more than two individuals from any district may be on the Board of Directors.

**Director, At-Large
Candidates:**

Jack Cunningham, GWD

John Fox, GSD

Rodney Gould, IVPRD

Dick Shakiewitz, MWD

David Seymour, SYCSD

Agenda

Item #7

Protecting and Serving Montecito

The Montecito Fire Protection District provides all-risk fire, rescue and emergency medical services to the residents and businesses located within the Fire District boundaries. The District's service area encompasses approximately 21.7 square miles and serves a population of approximately 9,000 people. The Fire District's revenues are generally comprised of approximately 16% of the total general property tax revenue collected within its boundaries, and all services offered by the District are provided at no additional cost over the amount the District receives through property taxes.

Our Equipment and Services



The District currently maintains two fire stations: Station One, located at 595 San Ysidro Road, and Station Two, located at 2300 Sycamore Canyon Road. These stations house structure and wildland fire engines, a paramedic squad, an ambulance, a specialized Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) engine, a mechanic's vehicle, Battalion Chief vehicles and other support vehicles. The District also operates its own dispatch center 24/7 at Station One, which also provides dispatch services for Carpinteria/Summerland Fire Protection District.

Our highly trained personnel, coupled with the specialized equipment we maintain, allows our agency to provide the following all risk services:

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|--------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Structural Fire Protection | USAR Responses |
| Wildland Fire Protection | • Trench Rescue |
| Paramedic Emergency Services | • Confined Space Rescue |
| Vehicle Emergencies | • Building Collapse Rescue |
| • Fires | • Trail Rescue |
| • Accidents | • Technical Rope Rescue |
| Hazardous Materials Mitigation | • Swiftwater Rescue |



The services provided by Montecito Fire are done so by skillfully trained and dedicated professionals. Montecito Fire is made up of 39 uniformed firefighters and 8 civilian employees committed to protecting life, property and the environment. Many of our staff and firefighters are cross trained with specialty certifications and serve on Incident Management Teams that respond to incidents across the nation. The additional experience they receive when they are out on their assignments, is brought back to Montecito to enhance our own capabilities.

Professional Development Program

The Montecito Fire Protection District instituted a Professional Development Program in 2015 to provide employees with opportunities to increase their responsibility, authority and to ultimately grow to their full potential. This development process provides the District with knowledgeable, effective and productive employees that are working to improve themselves and the organization. This program benefits the organization by ensuring that future leaders are prepared for their organizational responsibilities as they move up through the ranks.

| <i>2015 Training Topic</i> | <i>Hours</i> |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| EMS Training | 456 |
| Firefighter Training | 8,213 |
| Driver Training | 980 |
| Company Officer Development | 1,113 |
| Hazardous Materials Training | 478 |
| Technical Rescue Training | 703 |
| Total Training Hours | 11,943 |



Blue Card Training Program

In 2015, Montecito Fire was the first agency in Santa Barbara County to implement the Blue Card Incident Command Certification Program. The Blue Card Program is a state of the art training and certification system that instructs Company and Command Officers how to standardize local incident operations across the organization.

The benefit of this program is that it develops the skills required to supervise and manage emergency incident operations, and more importantly, it standardizes incident operations across the entire department.

The training program consists of the following components:

- Completion of the 40-50-hour online training program (Cognitive portion of the program)
- Completion of the Simulation Evaluation Session (Manipulative portion of the program)
- Continuing Education (CE) and 3-year re-certification process (Cognitive and Manipulative skill maintenance)
- Instructor training and support program (Local delivery and management of the program)

All Montecito Fire Protection District officers are currently Blue Card certified or in the process of becoming Blue Card certified.



Montecito Fire Protection District
595 San Ysidro Road
Santa Barbara, CA 93108
www.montecitofire.com

Emergency Notification Systems

Do you know how you will be notified of evacuations or local emergencies? No method is fail proof, therefore, Montecito Fire Protection District has implemented several methods to provide redundancy in disseminating Emergency Alerts and other community information:

REVERSE 911 –more information at www.sbsheriff.org

NIXLE –Receive email and text messages sent directly to your cell phone during emergencies

FACEBOOK – “Like” Montecito Fire on Facebook

TWITTER – “Follow” Montecito Fire on Twitter

HEARO HOME ALERT RADIO – Delivers up to 90 Db tone and scrolling text to a specially programmed radio placed in your home. ADA compliant accessories are available for seeing and hearing impaired

AM 1610 is a low powered AM radio station managed by Montecito Fire for use during emergencies to broadcast critical public information. Community and preparedness information is on a 24/7 loop during non-emergency situations



For more information or registration assistance on our notification methods, contact our Public Information Officer at (805) 969-2537.

Montecito Fire Protection District 2015 Annual Report



Montecito Fire Protection District Mission Statement

The Montecito Fire Protection District is a progressive organization committed to the protection of the people, property, and the environment.

We exist to provide a professional and timely response to the needs of the community in preparation for, during, and in recovery from emergencies.



The Cost of Keeping Our Community Safe

Montecito Fire District maintains its finances with complete transparency. Finance reports are produced for the Finance Committee and posted as part of their Board packet on our website each month. In addition, a comprehensive annual report is produced by an independent auditor, which is also available on our website.

Board of Directors

President

John Abraham Powell

Vice-President

Peter van Duinwyk

Secretary

Gene Sinsler

Directors

John Venable

Sylvia Easton

Labor Negotiators:

John Abraham Powell

John Venable

Real Property Negotiators:

Gene Sinsler

John Venable

Finance Committee:

Gene Sinsler

Peter van Duinwyk

Strategic Planning Committee:

John Abraham Powell

Sylvia Easton

Personnel Committee:

John Abraham Powell

Gene Sinsler

Board Meetings

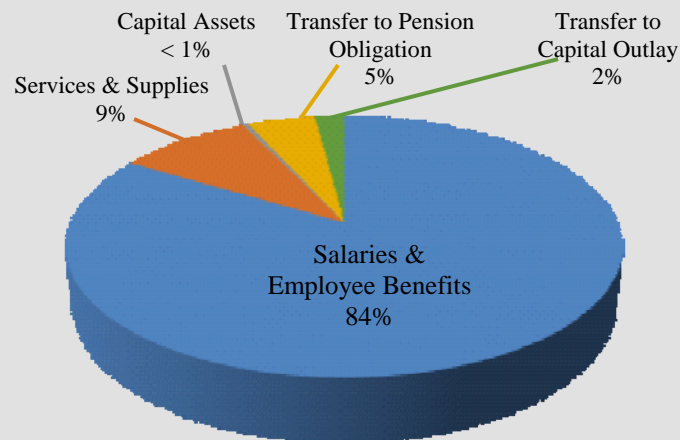
Board meetings are held at Station One on the fourth Monday of each month at 2:00 p.m.

The public is always welcome and is encouraged to attend.

Meeting materials are posted on our website 72 hours prior to each meeting.

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| 2014 / 2015 FY Expenditures | Amount |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Salaries & Employee Benefits | \$ 13,693,213 |
| Services & Supplies | \$ 1,509,799 |
| Capital Assets | \$ 66,150 |
| Transfer To Pension Obligation Fund | \$ 769,123 |
| Transfer To Capital Outlay Fund | \$ 332,406 |



OPEB Unfunded Liabilities

The District provides retiree healthcare benefits for employees who retire from the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS). This retirement benefit program is referred to as Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB). While these benefits have always been paid for out of the annual operating budget, they are considered unfunded liabilities.

In 2009, the District began setting money aside for this unfunded liability to ensure the contracted benefit is fully funded for existing and future retirees utilizing a Public Agencies Post-Retirement Health Care Plan Trust (PARS Trust). In 2015, the District accelerated the contributions to this trust by transferring funds originally set aside for the construction of a third station, and has again budgeted to transfer \$2,459,473 from its Land and Building Fund in the 2015/16 budget. This increased contribution will substantially reduce the District's OPEB unfunded liabilities, bringing the OPEB PARS Trust to be approximately 91% funded.

| 6/30/2015 PARS Trust Balance | |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| Accrued Liability | \$10,082,480 |
| PARS Trust Balance | \$5,946,000 |
| Percent Funded | 59% |

| 6/30/2016 Estimated PARS Trust Balance | |
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| Accrued Liability | \$10,082,480 |
| PARS Trust Balance | \$9,200,000 |
| Percent Funded | 91% |

Message from Fire Chief Chip Hickman

2015 was a year of great progress for the Montecito Fire Protection District!

In 2013/14, Montecito Fire contracted with external consultants to examine and study District policies, procedures and operations. In 2015, we set out to aggressively implement the recommendations that were made in the 2014 Capitol PFG Financial Analysis and the 2014 Citygate Standards of Coverage Study and Risk Assessment.

Montecito Fire has long been focused on providing fiscally responsible budgeting and excellent, equitable service to all its constituents. The two studies completed in 2014 indicated that the long range planning that had already been in place, was on track with many of their recommendations, including the prefunding of post retirement benefits and planning for the addition of a 3rd fire station on the east end of the District.

By the end of 2015, the District had implemented most of the recommendations made in the Financial Analysis including the establishment of a formal Economic Uncertainties Reserve, Catastrophic Event Reserve and Capital Reserve Policies, and the additional prefunding of its post retirement benefits. We are currently in the process of developing a formal capital plan and long term budget which will allow us to evaluate overall revenue and expenditure trends and help foresee future financial challenges.

Also in 2015, the District began to implement the recommendations made in the Citygate study. The District adopted comprehensive performance measures (response times), implemented a schedule for exercising its emergency notification systems, conducted a District wide hydraulic modeling study to assist in identifying the flow capacity of fire hydrants within the District and we continue to move forward with the proposed development of a three fire station model.

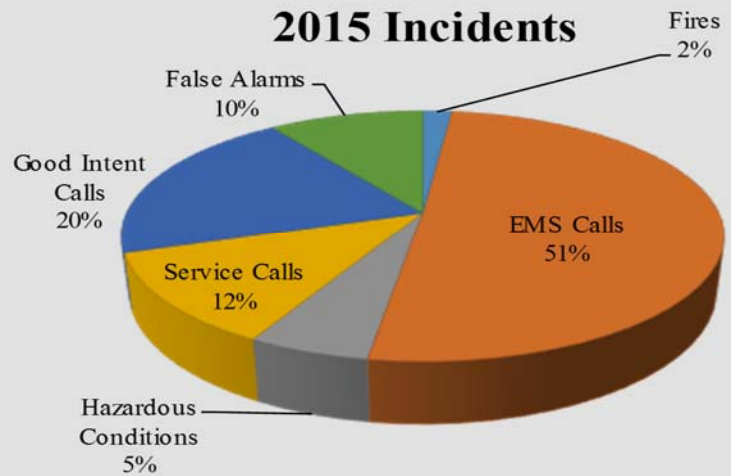
I believe that Montecito Fire provides superior local government services, and I commit to providing cutting edge equipment and training to our personnel in order to deliver the highest level of emergency service. This progressive approach ensures the best fire, EMS and rescue services to our constituents.

I wish to extend my sincere gratitude to the residents of this community for the unwavering support of your Fire District. It is with great pleasure that I continue to serve the Montecito community.

Chip Hickman, Fire Chief

Response Statistics

| <i>Incident Type</i> | <i>Qty</i> |
|----------------------|------------|
| Fires | 27 |
| EMS Calls | 738 |
| Hazardous Conditions | 81 |
| Service Calls | 174 |
| Good Intent Calls | 294 |
| False Alarms | 145 |
| Total Incidents | 1,459 |



Good Intent Calls: Firefighters respond to a reported emergency, but find a different type of incident or nothing at all upon arrival to the area. Example: A caller reports smoke on the hillside. Firefighters arrive to discover a grading operation at a construction site is creating dust mistaken for smoke. Dispatched and “cancelled enroute” also fall into this category.

Public Service Calls: Non-emergency requests for assistance. Examples include: lock out, animal rescue, ring removal, water problem, lift assists, seized gate, stalled elevator, providing the Sheriff’s Department with a ladder to enter a building.

Providing Fire Safety and Preparedness Education

During the month of October, Montecito Fire personnel provided fire prevention education to eight preschools and primary schools located in the District. Over 1,000 Montecito students received age appropriate fire safety information while they participated in guided tours through the District’s inflatable fire safety house.



The inflatable house is designed as an educational tool including a stay low in smoke element and a simulated kitchen and living room area, all with interactive fire safety messages posted throughout the house. This educational tool provides a fun learning environment for the students, while fire personnel deliver important age appropriate fire safety information.

In addition to educating our school children, Montecito Fire provides disaster preparedness training to the public for free on the second Thursday of each month at our headquarters. When requested, we are also happy to provide this training to businesses and private groups. To schedule training, contact us at 969-2537.

Fire Prevention Bureau



Fire Administration

Fire Chief

Chip Hickman

Executive Leadership with responsibility over all District operations, code enforcement, finances and personnel

Operations/Division Chief

Kevin Taylor

Directs the operations of the Fire District and assists the Fire Chief in planning, organizing, and managing the operations of the fire department

Fire Marshal/Battalion Chief

Al Gregson

Enforces District, state and federal codes, ordinances and regulations, as they pertain to fire protection and life safety. Also oversees all Prevention Bureau activities

Shift Battalion Chiefs

Travis Ederer - A Shift

Todd Edwards - B Shift

Alan Widling - C Shift

Manages and coordinates daily operations of shift personnel and assigned staff. The Battalion Chief is typically the initial on-scene Incident Commander for local incidents

Communications Coordinator

Jackie Jenkins

Supervises the Dispatch Center and personnel; provides public education and information, website maintenance and AM radio programming

Administrative Assistant

Joyce Reed

Performs support functions to the District including human resources, records management, public information, public education, computer support, and special district board administration

Accountant

Araceli Gil

Processes all financial records including payroll, accounts receivable, accounts payable, budget development and assists with human resource issues

It has been a productive and challenging year for the Fire Prevention Bureau as the division moved forward to meet the demands of the community, while also overseeing public information, public education, fire and building code enforcement, fire origin and cause determination investigations.

In addition to normal fire prevention activities, this year the Fire Prevention Bureau facilitated the development of a new Community Wildfire Prevention Plan (CWPP). Once complete, this plan will be used as a guide to enhance the protection of human life and reduce the wildfire threat to community values such as structures, critical infrastructure, businesses, and natural and historic resources within Montecito. It will also serve as a guide for future actions of the Fire District, property-owners, business-owners, homeowner associations, and other interested parties in their efforts to reduce the wildfire threat to the community of Montecito. The CWPP is expected to be completed in early 2016.

Fire Prevention Bureau

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| Fire Investigations | 5 |
| Business Occupancy Inspections | 200 |
| Construction Projects | 261 |
| Roofing Projects | 45 |
| Construction Inspections/Site Visits | 275 |
| Final Inspections/Certificate of Occupancy | 100 |
| Tent Permits | 12 |
| Filming Permits | 2 |

Wildland Fire Prevention

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| Neighborhood Clean-up/Chipping Projects (NCU) | 10 |
| Flammable Vegetation Removed During NCU | 450 tons |
| Defensible Space Surveys | 285 |
| Hazardous Fuel Treatment Projects | 20 |
| Roadside Clearance/Fire Retardant Applications | 10 miles |
| Neighborhood Educational Presentations | 2 |

Hazard Abatement

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| Hazard Abatement Complaints Received/Resolved | 45 |
| First Notices | 105 |
| Second Notices | 10 |
| Pre-citation Notices | 3 |
| Citations | 1 |
| Dead Tree Abatement Notifications | 45 |

Agenda

Item #8



STAFF REPORT

Prepared for: Montecito Fire Protection Board of Directors

Prepared by: Chip Hickman, Fire Chief and Araceli Gil, District Accountant

Date: January 21, 2016

Topic: Diesel Fuel Provider Agreement

Summary

SC Fuels, formerly Dewitt Petroleum, is currently the District's diesel fuel provider. Since acquiring Dewitt in April of 2015, SC Fuels made changes to their business practices which led them to stop delivering fuel to the District on weekly basis and the imposition of a delivery fee if minimum fuel purchases weren't met.

As a result of these changes, Staff reached out to McCormix Oil Corporation, located in Santa Barbara, to inquire about delivery and fuel prices. McCormix informed Staff that they have trucks in Montecito five days a week and would be willing to re-fuel our tank on a weekly basis with no minimum delivery fee.

The District received quotes for the diesel fuel used for the engines, and the red dyed diesel used for the generators. McCormix's quoted price for diesel fuel was 30 cents less than SC Fuels, and red dyed diesel fuel was 60 cents less than SC Fuels. McCormix's delivery charge for the red dyed diesel is \$137 for both stations, compared to \$500 for SC Fuels.

Conclusion

It is Staff's recommendation that the Board authorize Fire Chief to enter into an agreement with McCormix Oil Corporation for all diesel fuel purchases.

Agenda

Item #9

**Montecito Fire Protection District
PARS OPEB Trust Program**

**Monthly Account Report for the Period
11/01/2015 to 11/30/2015**

Stephen Hickman
Fire Chief
Montecito Fire Protection District
595 San Ysidro Rd.
Santa Barbara, CA 93108

Account Summary

| Source | Beginning Balance as of 11/01/2015 | Contributions | Earnings | Expenses* | Distributions | Transfers | Ending Balance as of 11/30/2015 |
|---------------|------------------------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------------|
| Contributions | \$6,744,299.87 | \$0.00 | \$5,994.60 | \$4,289.81 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$6,746,004.66 |
| Totals | \$6,744,299.87 | \$0.00 | \$5,994.60 | \$4,289.81 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$6,746,004.66 |

Investment Selection

Balanced HighMark PLUS

Investment Objective

The dual goals of the Balanced Strategy are growth of principal and income. While dividend and interest income are an important component of the objective's total return, it is expected that capital appreciation will comprise a larger portion of the total return. The portfolio will be allocated between equity and fixed income investments.

Investment Return

| Annualized Return | | | | | | Plan's Inception Date |
|-------------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|----------|-----------------------|
| 1-Month | 3-Month | 1-Year | 3-Years | 5-Years | 10-Years | |
| 0.09% | 2.28% | 1.02% | 7.10% | 6.95% | - | 1/19/2010 |

Information as provided by US Bank, Trustee for PARS; Not FDIC Insured; No Bank Guarantee; May Lose Value

Past performance does not guarantee future results. Performance returns may not reflect the deduction of applicable fees, which could reduce returns. Information is deemed reliable but may be subject to change.

Investment Return: Annualized rate of return is the return on an investment over a period other than one year multiplied or divided to give a comparable one-year return.

*Expenses are inclusive of Trust Administration, Trustee and Investment Management fees

**MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
PARS OPEB Trust Program Summary**

| Month | Beginning Balance | Contributions | Earnings | Expenses | Ending Balance | 1-M % |
|----------------|------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| October 2014 | 4,166,126.30 | - | 45,108.57 | 867.94 | 4,210,366.93 | 1.08% |
| November 2014 | 4,210,366.93 | - | 58,445.65 | 1,867.07 | 4,266,945.51 | 1.39% |
| December 2014 | 4,266,945.51 | - | (35,807.12) | 1,031.46 | 4,230,106.93 | -0.84% |
| January 2015 | 4,230,106.93 | 536,712.00 | (14,854.01) | 2,821.17 | 4,749,143.75 | -0.35% |
| February 2015 | 4,749,143.75 | - | 152,641.55 | 2,034.79 | 4,899,750.51 | 3.21% |
| March 2015 | 4,899,750.51 | - | (11,112.80) | 2,158.43 | 4,886,479.28 | -0.23% |
| April 2015 | 4,886,479.28 | 536,712.00 | 30,437.07 | 2,171.84 | 5,451,456.51 | 0.56% |
| May 2015 | 5,451,456.51 | - | 25,608.07 | 2,276.85 | 5,474,787.73 | 0.47% |
| June 2015 | 5,474,787.73 | 536,712.00 | (62,985.12) | 2,423.86 | 5,946,090.75 | -1.15% |
| July 2015 | 5,946,090.75 | - | 59,226.40 | 2,526.68 | 6,002,790.47 | 1.00% |
| August 2015 | 6,002,790.47 | - | (230,263.70) | 2,834.40 | 5,769,692.37 | -3.84% |
| September 2015 | 5,769,692.37 | 823,478.00 | (133,911.00) | 2,617.19 | 6,456,642.18 | -2.32% |
| October 2015 | 6,456,642.18 | - | 289,002.82 | 1,345.13 | 6,744,299.87 | 4.48% |
| November 2015 | 6,744,299.87 | - | 5,994.60 | 4,289.81 | 6,746,004.66 | 0.09% |
| Total | | 2,433,614.00 | 131,497.15 | 36,162.85 | | |

Agenda

Item #11

**MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
CASH RECONCILIATION - ALL FUNDS
December 31, 2015**

| | Fund 3650 General | Fund 3651 Pension Obl. | Fund 3652 Capital Outlay | Fund 3653 Land & Bldg | All Funds |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| Cash Balance at 12/1/15 | 2,424,232.47 | 190.91 | 2,212,831.04 | 4,585,109.89 | 9,222,364.31 |
| Income: | | | | | |
| Tax Revenue | 5,923,320.24 | - | - | - | 5,923,320.24 |
| CSFD Dispatch Services | 21,714.00 | - | - | - | 21,714.00 |
| | <u>5,945,034.24</u> | - | - | - | 5,945,034.24 |
| Expenses: | | | | | |
| Claims Processed | (957,270.67) | - | - | (2,750.00) | (960,020.67) |
| Payroll | (966,484.26) | - | - | - | (966,484.26) |
| Other: | | | | | |
| Reimbursed expenses* | - | - | - | - | - |
| | <u>(1,923,754.93)</u> | - | - | (2,750.00) | (1,926,504.93) |
| Cash Balance at 12/31/15 | <u>6,445,511.78</u> | <u>190.91</u> | <u>2,212,831.04</u> | <u>4,582,359.89</u> | <u>13,240,893.62</u> |
| Cash in Treasury per Balance Sheet | <u>6,991,546.52</u> | <u>190.91</u> | <u>2,212,831.04</u> | <u>4,582,359.89</u> | <u>13,786,928.36</u> |
| Difference | 546,034.74 | - | - | - | 546,034.74 |
| Reconciliation: | | | | | |
| Outstanding payroll payments | | | | | |
| Delta Dental | 14,188.66 | - | - | - | 14,188.66 |
| Vision Service Plan | 2,670.20 | - | - | - | 2,670.20 |
| CalPERS retirement contributions | 78,421.34 | - | - | - | 78,421.34 |
| Mass Mutual contributions | 21,459.00 | - | - | - | 21,459.00 |
| Payroll direct deposit | 352,938.65 | - | - | - | 352,938.65 |
| Payroll checks | 242.75 | - | - | - | 242.75 |
| Accounts payable (Acct 1210) | <u>76,114.14</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>-</u> | <u>76,114.14</u> |
| | 546,034.74 | - | - | - | 546,034.74 |

**MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
WARRANTS AND CLAIMS DETAIL
December 2015**

| Payee | Description | Amount |
|--------------------------------------|--|-----------|
| Fund 3650 - General | | |
| ADP Inc | ADP fees, 2 periods | 554.72 |
| Advanced Cable Systems | Tested and ID'd mapping of all network connections | 600.40 |
| Aflac | Employee paid insurance, November | 1,549.22 |
| Andreina Ruiz | Annual report photography fee (Pmt 2 of 2) | 600.00 |
| Andrew Seybold Inc | Service calls for Channel 11 failure | 660.73 |
| Andrew Seybold Inc | Service calls for Command 13 issues | 157.63 |
| Angel L Iscovich | Medical director services, July-December 2015 | 3,000.00 |
| Animated Data Inc | Stats FD annual support: 11/15/15-11/14/16 | 225.00 |
| A-OK Mower Shop Inc | Chainsaw repair parts | 25.62 |
| Bound Tree Medical | Patient medical supplies | 1,336.02 |
| Branch Out Tree Care LLC | Tree removal service at Sta. 1 | 3,550.00 |
| California Special Districts Assoc | CA Special Districts Assoc: Montecito Fire, 2016 | 5,140.50 |
| Callback Staffing Solutions LLC | Online scheduling program, monthly fee | 94.50 |
| Capitol Public Finance Group LLC | Financial policies consulting, Sept. | 2,975.00 |
| Capitol Public Finance Group LLC | Financial policies/land acquisition research, Oct. | 2,625.00 |
| Chapman, Scott | S. Chapman Reimb: Management 2C | 1,214.38 |
| Chapman, Scott | S. Chapman Reimb: Columbia Southern HY 1010 | 567.00 |
| Conexis Benefits Administrator LP | FSA administrative fee, 2 months | 195.50 |
| Conexis Benefits Administrator LP | Montecito Fire FSA plan pmts, 11/25-12/23/15 | 1,648.80 |
| Cox Communications | CAD connectivity & Internet | 2,761.04 |
| Davis, Shaun | S. Davis Reimb: CPR cards/manuals | 136.30 |
| Day Wireless Systems | Service call to repair Pyramid repeater in BC | 1,435.00 |
| Dino Denunzio's Paint & Body Shop | Auto body repairs to U91 | 2,405.43 |
| E Wave | Website programming for Dispatcher applications | 240.00 |
| Economy Tree | Post-project chipping: SY Ranch area | 1,460.00 |
| Ederer, Travis | T. Ederer Reimb: New hire interview panel lunch | 115.25 |
| Entenmann Rovin Co | Badge and case for Dispatcher retirement | 300.98 |
| Entenmann Rovin Co | Badge for dispatcher new hire | 222.70 |
| ESRI Inc | Mapping software annual maint. fee: 02/16-01/17 | 1,000.00 |
| Freedom Signs | Replace reflective stripes on U91 | 215.00 |
| Geo Elements LLC | CWPP study, November (Project to date \$52,388) | 2,578.00 |
| Goldman Magdalin Krikes LLP | Worker's comp legal services | 280.00 |
| GovConnection Inc | Computer system replacement plan (budgeted) | 35,985.54 |
| Grainger Inc | Cal Fire crews in-kind payment (Grainger) | 5,594.06 |
| Hugo's Auto Detailing | Car wash service, November | 180.00 |
| Hugo's Auto Detailing | Full service detail: PT92 | 100.00 |
| Impulse Internet Services | Phone services, Dec. & Jan. | 1,002.40 |
| Informaco Emend Billing Service | IT support, November | 4,600.00 |
| Informaco Emend Billing Service | IT support (billable), November | 2,100.00 |
| Interstate Batteries of Sierra Madre | Vehicle batteries for E92 | 738.40 |
| Kwik Freeze Refrigeration | Service call for freezer, Sta. 1 | 95.00 |
| Liebert Cassidy Whitmore | Labor attorney fees, October | 245.00 |
| Liebert Cassidy Whitmore | LCW Annual Conference Registration: Taylor, Gil | 1,800.00 |
| Marborg Industries | Refuse disposal | 499.06 |
| Mission Uniform Service Inc | Shop towels | 486.41 |
| Mitchell1 | Vehicle diagnostic software renewal | 1,728.00 |
| Montecito Journal | Gibraltar Fire thank you ad | 552.50 |
| Montecito Water District | Water service | 555.82 |
| National Fire Fighter Wildland Corp | PPE: Wildland pants | 191.67 |
| Norm Katz Psy D | Pre-employment screening | 400.00 |
| O'Connor Pest Control-Sb Accts | Quarterly pest control maintenance | 178.00 |

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| Payee | Description | Amount |
|-----------------------------------|---|------------|
| PARS Public Agency Retirement | PARS OPEB Contribution for FY 15-16 | 823,478.00 |
| Peyton Scapes | Landscape maintenance | 550.00 |
| Precision Imaging | Office copier usage fee, November | 270.04 |
| Ready Refresh By Nestle | Bottled water, 2 months | 450.64 |
| RLF Trucking | Sand delivery charge, 2 trips | 475.00 |
| Sansum Clinic | TB test | 26.00 |
| Sansum Clinic | Pre-employment medical exam | 757.50 |
| Santa Barbara Trophy | Shadow box for dispatcher retirement recognition | 136.67 |
| Santa Barbara Trophy | Employee retirement recognition plaque | 70.20 |
| Satcom Global Inc | Satellite phone charges, 2 months | 299.34 |
| SB County American Payroll Assoc. | American Payroll Association: A. Gil, FY15-16 | 50.00 |
| SB County Auditor-Controller | Additional user tax | 40.60 |
| SB County Special Districts Assoc | SBCo Special Districts: MFPD, 2016 | 300.00 |
| SB County Treasurer-Tax Collector | Secured taxes for 3 MFPD properties | 3,797.82 |
| Smardan Hatcher Company | Hydrant gauges | 33.51 |
| Smardan Hatcher Company | Replace kitchen sink/bathroom faucet, Sta. 2 | 628.11 |
| Southern California Edison | Electricity service | 5,031.07 |
| Southern Counties Fuels | Diesel fuel, 2 trips | 2,020.40 |
| Sprint | E92 Sim card for MDC | 37.99 |
| Staples Credit Plan | Office supplies | 652.64 |
| Taylor, Kevin | K. Taylor Reimb: Columbia Southern MSE 6201 | 742.50 |
| The Gas Company | Gas service, Sta. 1 | 194.42 |
| The Village Service Station | Gasoline charges, October | 1,555.76 |
| The Village Service Station | Gasoline charges, November | 1,577.24 |
| Tierra Verde Tree Care | Post-project chipping: 2500 E Valley Road | 4,937.50 |
| US Bank Corporate Card (2 stmts) | CA state flags (credit) | (96.00) |
| | C. Hickman: Fire asgmt toll fee | 7.25 |
| | Wasp spray for fire crews | 9.71 |
| | Subscriptions: online fax, offsite server | 18.94 |
| | Subscriptions: online fax, offsite server | 18.94 |
| | Small engine fuel | 20.11 |
| | Office supplies and postage charges | 69.57 |
| | Fan for BC office | 78.83 |
| | Liebert Cassidy HR webinar (Gil, Taylor) | 85.00 |
| | T. Ederer: BlueCard Command renewal | 90.00 |
| | Meal for shift personnel | 100.93 |
| | Cases for controlled substances, 921 phone case | 105.15 |
| | Knox padlock | 110.16 |
| | Gasoline charges | 121.91 |
| | K. Kellogg: Fire asgmt meals/hotels | 123.05 |
| | USB charger mounts/repair part for USAR 91 | 139.49 |
| | Class A uniform hat for 903 | 145.13 |
| | Prevention lunch/Dispatch hiring panel meals | 230.83 |
| | Flashlight and standard batteries | 231.76 |
| | Office supplies, Smokey Bear planners | 239.18 |
| | CSDA Conference: K. Taylor expenses | 248.32 |
| | C. Hickman: Fire asgmt meals/hotel | 248.52 |
| | Gasoline charges | 307.89 |
| | Tools: wood cutter, bolt cutter, wildland | 394.08 |
| | Computer server switches | 523.39 |
| | Mechanic supplies, vehicle lamp kits, U93 battery | 553.33 |
| | Fire asgmt gas charges | 815.53 |

**MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
WARRANTS AND CLAIMS DETAIL
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| Payee | Description | Amount |
|---|--|-------------------|
| | Small engine fuel | 850.67 |
| | CSDA Conference: Hickman/Taylor/Gil | 1,711.26 |
| | G. Ventura: Fire asgmt meals/hotels/rental car | 2,141.99 |
| Verizon California | Phone services | 1,269.52 |
| Verizon Wireless | Wireless service, October | 1,082.00 |
| Village Automotive Repair Inc | Mount tires and alignment for P920 | 259.70 |
| | | <u>957,270.67</u> |
| <u>Fund 3653 - Land & Building</u> | | |
| Rincon Consultants | Phase I Environmental Site Asmt - San Leandro | 2,500.00 |
| Kennedy Accounting | Water transfer processing fee - San Leandro | 250.00 |
| | Fund 3653 Total | <u>2,750.00</u> |

**MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
OVERTIME DETAIL
December 2015**

| Name | Date Worked | Comp Hrs | OT Hrs | Total Amount | Constant Staffing | Fire Reimbursable | Overtime | Description |
|----------------|-------------|----------|--------|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------------------|
| | | | | | | | | |
| Holthe, D. | 11/21/15 | | 24.0 | 1,991.88 | 1,991.88 | | | |
| Lauritson, R. | 11/21/15 | | 24.0 | 2,925.72 | 2,925.72 | | | |
| Poulos, T. | 11/24/15 | | 24.0 | 1,544.04 | 1,544.04 | | | |
| Fuentes, E. | 11/25/15 | | 24.0 | 1,860.48 | 1,860.48 | | | |
| Grant, L. | 11/25/15 | | 24.0 | 1,063.44 | 1,063.44 | | | |
| Holthe, D. | 11/25/15 | | 24.0 | 1,991.88 | 1,991.88 | | | |
| Widling, A. | 11/25/15 | | 24.0 | 1,925.00 | 1,925.00 | | | |
| Purguy, P. | 11/26/15 | | 24.0 | 1,323.00 | 1,323.00 | | | |
| Grant, L. | 11/27/15 | | 24.0 | 1,063.44 | 1,063.44 | | | |
| Holthe, D. | 11/27/15 | | 24.0 | 1,991.88 | 1,991.88 | | | |
| Whilt, S. | 11/27/15 | | 24.0 | 1,182.24 | 1,182.24 | | | |
| Widling, A. | 11/27/15 | | 24.0 | 1,925.00 | 1,925.00 | | | |
| Zeitsoff, J. | 11/27/15 | | 24.0 | 1,496.52 | 1,496.52 | | | |
| Fuentes, E. | 11/28/15 | | 2.0 | 155.04 | 155.04 | | | |
| Briner, A. | 11/29/15 | | 24.0 | 1,714.32 | 1,714.32 | | | |
| Hauser, B. | 12/01/15 | | 12.0 | 699.30 | 699.30 | | | |
| Poulos, T. | 12/03/15 | | 24.0 | 1,544.04 | 1,544.04 | | | |
| Skei, E. | 12/03/15 | 8.0 | 16.0 | 1,208.40 | 1,208.40 | | 107.40 | EMS County meeting |
| Bennewate, B. | 12/04/15 | | 2.0 | 107.40 | 107.40 | | | |
| Klemowicz, E. | 12/04/15 | 4.0 | 20.0 | 1,170.90 | 1,170.90 | | | |
| Mann, K. | 12/05/15 | | 24.0 | 1,730.52 | 1,730.52 | | | |
| McCracken, R. | 12/05/15 | | 2.0 | 132.12 | 132.12 | | 132.12 | Paramedic testing preparation |
| Whilt, S. | 12/05/15 | | 2.0 | 98.52 | 98.52 | | 98.52 | Paramedic testing preparation |
| Wrenn, B. | 12/05/15 | | 24.0 | 1,063.44 | 1,063.44 | | | |
| Bennewate, B. | 12/06/15 | | 24.0 | 1,288.80 | 1,288.80 | | | |
| Gil, A. | 12/06/15 | 4.5 | - | - | - | | - | Fire asgmt invoices/FIN reports |
| Mann, K. | 12/06/15 | 16.0 | 8.0 | 576.84 | 576.84 | | | |
| Blake, G. | 12/07/15 | | 9.5 | 596.93 | 596.93 | | 596.93 | Captain promotional testing |
| Hauser, B. | 12/07/15 | | 10.0 | 582.75 | 582.75 | | 582.75 | Captain promotional testing |
| Lauritson, R. | 12/07/15 | | 14.0 | 1,706.67 | 1,706.67 | | | |
| Muller, L. | 12/07/15 | | 7.0 | 324.98 | 324.98 | | 324.98 | Captain promotional testing |
| Villarreal, J. | 12/07/15 | | 7.5 | 594.45 | 594.45 | | 594.45 | Captain promotional testing |
| Wrenn, B. | 12/07/15 | | 10.0 | 443.10 | 443.10 | | | |
| Grant, L. | 12/08/15 | | 24.0 | 1,063.44 | 1,063.44 | | | |

| Name | Date Worked | Comp Hrs | OT Hrs | Total Amount | Constant Staffing | Fire | | Description |
|-------------------------|-------------|----------|--------|------------------|-------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | | | | | Reimbursable | Overtime | |
| Whilt, S. | 12/08/15 | | 24.0 | 1,182.24 | 1,182.24 | | | |
| Zeitsoff, J. | 12/08/15 | | 24.0 | 1,496.52 | 1,496.52 | | | |
| Bennewate, B. | 12/10/15 | | 24.0 | 1,288.80 | 1,288.80 | | | |
| Fuentes, E. | 12/10/15 | | 24.0 | 1,860.48 | 1,860.48 | | | |
| Whilt, S. | 12/10/15 | | 2.0 | 98.52 | | | 98.52 | Paramedic testing preparation |
| Payroll 12/16/15 | | | | 45,013.04 | 42,477.37 | - | 2,535.67 | |
| Lauritson, R. | 12/01/15 | 3.0 | 20.0 | 2,438.10 | 2,438.10 | | | |
| Lauritson, R. | 12/03/15 | | 3.0 | 365.72 | 365.72 | | | |
| Holthe, D. | 12/04/15 | | 24.0 | 1,991.88 | 1,991.88 | | | |
| Lauritson, R. | 12/05/15 | | 24.0 | 2,925.72 | 2,925.72 | | | |
| Galbraith, B. | 12/06/15 | | 24.0 | 1,444.68 | 1,444.68 | | | |
| Holthe, D. | 12/06/15 | | 24.0 | 1,991.88 | 1,991.88 | | | |
| Lauritson, R. | 12/06/15 | | 23.0 | 2,803.81 | 2,803.81 | | | |
| Galbraith, B. | 12/07/15 | | 10.0 | 601.95 | 601.95 | | | |
| Hauser, B. | 12/10/15 | | 9.0 | 524.48 | | | 524.48 | Firefighter interview panel |
| Bennewate, B. | 12/11/15 | | 7.0 | 375.90 | | | 375.90 | Paramedic assessment testing |
| Fuentes, E. | 12/11/15 | | 8.5 | 658.92 | | | 658.92 | Paramedic testing coverage |
| McCracken, R. | 12/11/15 | | 7.5 | 495.45 | | | 495.45 | Paramedic assessment testing |
| Powell, K. | 12/11/15 | | 10.0 | 585.45 | | | 585.45 | Firefighter interview panel |
| Villarreal, J. | 12/11/15 | 5.0 | - | - | | | - | USAR meeting |
| Wrenn, B. | 12/11/15 | | 7.5 | 332.32 | | | 332.32 | Paramedic assessment testing |
| Briner, A. | 12/12/15 | | 8.0 | 571.44 | 571.44 | | | |
| Davis, S. | 12/12/15 | | 10.0 | 601.95 | 601.95 | | | |
| Ederer, T. | 12/12/15 | | 10.0 | 963.00 | | | 963.00 | Firefighter interview panel |
| Grant, L. | 12/12/15 | | 24.0 | 1,063.44 | 1,063.44 | | | |
| Hauser, B. | 12/12/15 | | 9.0 | 524.48 | | | 524.48 | Firefighter interview panel |
| Mann, K. | 12/12/15 | | 24.0 | 1,730.52 | 1,730.52 | | | |
| McCracken, R. | 12/12/15 | | 7.5 | 495.45 | | | 495.45 | Paramedic assessment testing |
| Skei, E. | 12/12/15 | | 10.0 | 755.25 | | | 755.25 | Firefighter interview panel coverage |
| Whilt, S. | 12/12/15 | | 7.5 | 369.45 | | | 369.45 | Paramedic assessment testing |
| Wrenn, B. | 12/12/15 | | 7.5 | 332.33 | | | 332.33 | Paramedic assessment testing |
| Zeitsoff, J. | 12/12/15 | | 10.0 | 623.55 | | | 623.55 | Firefighter interview panel |
| Fuentes, E. | 12/13/15 | | 10.0 | 775.20 | | | 775.20 | Paramedic testing coverage |
| Hauser, B. | 12/13/15 | | 7.5 | 437.05 | | | 437.05 | Firefighter interview panel |
| Powell, K. | 12/13/15 | | 11.0 | 644.00 | | | 644.00 | Firefighter interview panel |
| Fuentes, E. | 12/15/15 | | 10.0 | 775.20 | 775.20 | | | |
| Klemowicz, E. | 12/15/15 | 4.0 | 20.0 | 1,170.90 | 1,170.90 | | | |
| Poulos, T. | 12/15/15 | | 24.0 | 1,544.04 | 1,544.04 | | | |
| Zeitsoff, J. | 12/15/15 | | 14.0 | 872.97 | 872.97 | | | |

| Name | Date Worked | Comp Hrs | OT Hrs | Total Amount | Constant Staffing | Fire | | Overtime | Description |
|-----------------------|-------------|----------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------|---------------------------|
| | | | | | | Reimbursable | Staffing | | |
| Zeitsoff, J. | 12/16/15 | | 10.0 | 623.55 | 623.55 | | | | |
| Bass, L. | 12/17/15 | | 6.5 | 426.46 | | | | 426.46 | HazMat Ops drill |
| Klemowicz, E. | 12/17/15 | 4.0 | 20.0 | 1,170.90 | 1,170.90 | | | | |
| Powell, K. | 12/17/15 | | 4.5 | 263.44 | | | | 263.44 | HazMat Ops drill coverage |
| Edwards, T. | 12/18/15 | | 24.0 | 1,925.00 | 1,925.00 | | | | |
| Bass, L. | 12/19/15 | | 1.5 | 98.42 | 98.42 | | | | |
| Briner, A. | 12/19/15 | | 24.0 | 1,714.32 | 1,714.32 | | | | |
| Fuentes, E. | 12/19/15 | | 2.0 | 155.04 | 155.04 | | | | |
| Poulos, T. | 12/19/15 | | 24.0 | 1,544.04 | 1,544.04 | | | | |
| Purguy, P. | 12/19/15 | | 24.0 | 1,323.00 | 1,323.00 | | | | |
| Whilt, S. | 12/19/15 | | 14.0 | 689.64 | 689.64 | | | | |
| Walkup, R. | 12/20/15 | | 24.0 | 1,508.04 | 1,508.04 | | | | |
| Bennewate, B. | 12/21/15 | | 24.0 | 1,288.80 | 1,288.80 | | | | |
| Davis, S. | 12/21/15 | | 24.0 | 1,444.68 | 1,444.68 | | | | |
| Zeitsoff, J. | 12/21/15 | | 24.0 | 1,496.52 | 1,496.52 | | | | |
| Jenkins, J. | 12/22/15 | | 16.0 | 1,678.32 | 1,678.32 | | | | |
| Villarreal, J. | 12/22/15 | | 24.0 | 1,902.24 | 1,902.24 | | | | |
| Davis, S. | 12/23/15 | | 24.0 | 1,444.68 | 1,444.68 | | | | |
| Grant, L. | 12/23/15 | | 24.0 | 1,063.44 | 1,063.44 | | | | |
| Wrenn, B. | 12/24/15 | | 24.0 | 1,063.44 | 1,063.44 | | | | |
| Grant, L. | 12/25/15 | | 24.0 | 1,063.44 | 1,063.44 | | | | |
| Whilt, S. | 12/25/15 | | 24.0 | 1,182.24 | 1,182.24 | | | | |
| Wrenn, B. | 12/25/15 | | 2.0 | 88.62 | 88.62 | | | | |
| Badaracco, J. | 12/26/15 | | 12.0 | 994.68 | 994.68 | | | | |
| Fuentes, E. | 12/26/15 | | 24.0 | 1,730.52 | | 1,730.52 | | | |
| Galbraith, B. | 12/26/15 | | 24.0 | 1,444.68 | 1,444.68 | | | | |
| Hauser, B. | 12/26/15 | | 24.0 | 1,672.20 | | 1,672.20 | | | |
| Muller, L. | 12/26/15 | | 11.0 | 510.68 | 510.68 | | | | |
| Powell, K. | 12/26/15 | | 3.0 | 175.64 | 175.64 | | | | |
| Villarreal, J. | 12/26/15 | | 23.5 | 1,862.61 | 1,862.61 | | | | |
| Briner, A. | 12/27/15 | | 11.0 | 785.73 | | 785.73 | | | |
| Whilt, S. | 12/27/15 | | 11.0 | 541.86 | | 541.86 | | | |
| Wrenn, B. | 12/27/15 | | 11.0 | 487.41 | | 487.41 | | | |
| Zeitsoff, J. | 12/28/15 | | 24.0 | 1,496.52 | 1,496.52 | | | | |
| Payroll 1/4/16 | | | | 68,647.28 | 54,334.79 | 4,730.31 | 9,582.18 | | |
| Grand Total | | | | 113,660.32 | 96,812.16 | 4,730.31 | 12,117.85 | | |
| % of Total | | | | 100.0% | 85.2% | 4.2% | 10.7% | | |

**MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
PAYROLL EXPENDITURES
December 2015**

| | | |
|--|-----------|---------------------------------|
| Regular Salaries | \$ | 500,691.73 |
| Part-Time Salaries | | 6,731.79 |
| Directors Fees | | 1,485.00 |
| Auxiliary | | 1,521.50 |
| FLSA Safety | | 5,824.20 |
| FLSA Dispatch | | 3,906.70 |
| Overtime | | 113,660.32 |
| Dispatch Cadre Earnings | | 2,433.60 |
| Mass Mutual 457 Contribution | | 8,200.00 |
| 4850 Labor Code Payroll | | 36,448.75 |
| Uniform Allowance | | 23,083.33 |
| Text Message Allowance | | <u>4,460.00</u> |
| Gross Wages | \$ | 708,446.92 |
| District Contributions to Insurance | | 120,496.62 |
| District Contributions to Medicare/FICA | | 9,373.71 |
| District Contributions to SUI | | 6,486.68 |
| CalPERS Employee Contribution, District paid | | 50,562.36 |
| CalPERS Employer Contribution, Employee paid | | (26,632.78) |
| CalPERS, District Contribution | | 102,851.08 |
| Health and Dependent Care FSA Contributions | | (3,551.07) |
| Due to AFLAC | | <u>(1,549.26)</u> |
| Total Benefits | | <u>258,037.34</u> |
| Grand Total | \$ | <u><u>966,484.26</u></u> |

**MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
OVERTIME SUMMARY**

Fiscal Year 2014-15

| Month Paid | Constant Staffing | Fire Assignments | Overtime | Total OT |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| JULY | 54,746.66 | - | 3,482.39 | 58,229.05 |
| AUGUST | 86,994.40 | 187,986.81 | 2,798.86 | 277,780.07 |
| SEPTEMBER | 48,043.14 | 106,053.76 | 5,491.04 | 159,587.93 |
| OCTOBER | 52,145.54 | 43,661.73 | 6,047.12 | 101,854.39 |
| NOVEMBER | 46,710.60 | - | 14,769.37 | 61,479.97 |
| DECEMBER | 85,597.37 | - | 27,550.49 | 113,147.86 |
| JANUARY | 90,637.81 | - | 7,324.76 | 97,962.57 |
| FEBRUARY | 42,332.31 | - | 8,579.85 | 50,912.16 |
| MARCH | 62,100.66 | - | 31,683.75 | 93,784.41 |
| APRIL | 94,279.85 | - | 20,875.14 | 115,154.99 |
| MAY | 32,281.95 | - | 8,358.40 | 40,640.35 |
| JUNE | 37,471.74 | 31,262.47 | 3,958.29 | 72,692.50 |
| TOTAL | 733,342.01 | 368,964.77 | 140,919.46 | 1,243,226.23 |

| | Cons.Staff. | Fire Asgmts | Overtime | Total OT |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| YTD Dec 2014 | 374,237.69 | 337,702.30 | 60,139.27 | 772,079.26 |

Fiscal Year 2015-16

| Month Paid | Constant Staffing | Fire Assignments | Overtime | Total OT |
|-------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| JULY | 26,341.64 | 46,353.98 | 2,422.62 | 75,118.24 |
| AUGUST | 39,374.01 | 392,353.36 | 1,923.13 | 433,650.50 |
| SEPTEMBER | 81,872.55 | 211,227.62 | 2,502.77 | 295,602.94 |
| OCTOBER | 67,164.38 | 1,767.60 | 1,435.33 | 70,367.31 |
| NOVEMBER | 66,602.43 | 28,894.69 | 15,424.45 | 110,921.57 |
| DECEMBER | 96,812.16 | 4,730.31 | 12,117.85 | 113,660.32 |
| JANUARY | | | | - |
| FEBRUARY | | | | - |
| MARCH | | | | - |
| APRIL | | | | - |
| MAY | | | | - |
| JUNE | | | | - |
| TOTAL | 378,167.16 | 685,327.56 | 35,826.15 | 1,099,320.87 |

| | | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Budget | 750,000.00 | 325,000.00 | 125,000.00 |
| % of Budget | 50.4% | 210.9% | 28.7% |

**MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
FIRE ASSIGNMENTS - BILLING
FY 2014-2015**

| Fire Name, # | Invoice # | Period Covered | Invoice Date | Agency | Total Due | Date Received | Amount Received | Notes |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|--------------|---------|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|---------|
| | | | | | | | | |
| El Portal, CA-YNP-0083 | 2014-09 | 07/27-08/14/14 | 10/23/14 | USFS | \$ 14,789.54 | 03/17/15 | \$ 14,789.54 | |
| Little Deer (July), CA-KNF-005564 | | 08/01-08/24/14 | 10/30/14 | Cal-OES | 88,267.76 | 01/20/15 | 88,267.76 | |
| Bald Fire, CA-LNF-003479 | | 08/02-08/06/14 | 10/24/14 | Cal-OES | 33,595.73 | 02/09/15 | 33,595.73 | |
| Eiler Fire, CA-SHU-006933 | | 08/06-08/16/14 | 10/24/14 | Cal-OES | 96,835.29 | 01/02/15 | 96,835.29 | |
| Cover BTU-August, CA-BTU-010882 | | 08/09-08/15/14 | 03/09/15 | Cal-OES | 75,855.10 | 06/03/15 | 75,855.11 | |
| Junction, CA-MMU-014633 | | 08/18-08/21/14 | 10/30/14 | Cal-OES | 23,118.98 | 01/12/15 | 23,118.98 | |
| Tecolote, CA-ANF-004034 | | 08/18/14 | 11/21/14 | Cal-OES | 9,548.73 | 02/09/15 | 9,548.73 | |
| Tecolote, CA-ANF-004034 | 2014-10 | 08/18/14 | 10/23/14 | USFS | 1,622.00 | 03/17/15 | 1,622.00 | |
| Way, CA-CND-003148 | 2014-11 | 08/19-08/25/14 | 10/23/14 | USFS | 11,203.88 | 01/21/15 | 11,203.88 | |
| Silverado Fire, CA-CNF-002873 | | 09/13-09/15/14 | 11/21/14 | Cal-OES | 18,443.29 | 02/09/15 | 18,443.29 | |
| King Fire, CA-ENF-023461 | 2014-12 | 09/18-10/02/14 | 10/23/14 | USFS | 29,750.38 | 03/20/15 | 29,750.38 | |
| Boles Fire, CA-SKU-007064 | | 09/16-09/21/14 | 11/12/14 | Cal-OES | 35,018.46 | 02/05/15 | 35,018.46 | |
| King Fire, CA-ENF-023461 (OES & 391) | | 09/20-09/26/14 | 12/04/14 | Cal-OES | 167,604.28 | 03/20/15 | 167,604.28 | |
| Parkhill Fire, CA-SLU-006113 | | 06/20-06/23/15 | 09/29/15 | Cal-OES | 40,621.00 | 12/14/15 | 40,621.00 | |
| Lake Fire, CA-BDF-007894 (E91 & 921) | | 06/25-06/30/15 | 10/06/15 | Cal-OES | 49,928.00 | 01/05/16 | 37,272.83 | E91 pmt |
| | | | | | \$ 696,202.43 | | \$ 683,547.26 | |

**MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
FIRE ASSIGNMENTS - BILLING
FY 2015-2016**

| Fire Name, # | Invoice # | Period Covered | Invoice Date | Agency | Total Due | Date Received | Amount Received |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|----------------|--------------|---------|-------------|---------------|---------------------|
| | | | | | | | |
| Parkhill Fire, CA-SLU-006113 | | 06/20-06/23/15 | 09/29/15 | Cal-OES | \$ 1,037.07 | 12/14/15 | \$ 1,037.07 |
| Mesa Fire, CA-SBC-007898 | 2015108 | 06/29-06/30/15 | 09/29/15 | Cal-OES | 3,017.51 | 12/28/15 | 3,017.51 |
| Lake Fire (E391 & 921), CA-BDF-007894 | 2015194 | 07/01-07/03/15 | 10/06/15 | Cal-OES | 2,315.59 | | |
| Lake Fire (932), CA-BDF-007894 | 2015-17 | 06/25-07/06/15 | 10/15/15 | USFS | 19,227.21 | 11/18/15 | 19,227.21 |
| Chorro Fire, CA-LPF-002288 | 2015-18 | 08/03-08/06/15 | 10/15/15 | USFS | 19,806.16 | | |
| Mad River Complex, CA-SRF-001433 | 2015-19 | 08/02-08/19/15 | 10/15/15 | USFS | 28,930.21 | | |
| Lowell Fire, CA-NEU-017851 | 20153313 | 07/26-07/30/15 | 10/12/15 | Cal-OES | 46,996.05 | 12/14/15 | 46,996.05 |
| CNR Support, CA-CNR-000022 | 20153454 | 08/07-08/10/15 | 10/23/15 | Cal-OES | 19,391.22 | 12/28/15 | 19,391.22 |
| White Fire, CA-SBC-009320 | 20153603 | 08/01-08/02/15 | 10/28/15 | Cal-OES | 4,058.52 | 12/28/15 | 4,058.52 |
| Mad River Complex, CA-SRF-001433 | 20154095 | 08/05-08/21/15 | 11/18/15 | Cal-OES | 32,622.31 | | |
| River Complex, CA-SHF-002066 | 20154054 | 08/06-08/24/15 | 11/18/15 | Cal-OES | 200,562.30 | | |
| Rocky Fire, CA-LNU-006984 | 20153812 | 07/30-08/11/15 | 11/09/15 | Cal-OES | 116,362.67 | | |
| 36 Fire, CA-TGU-006675 | 20154005 | 08/08-08/10/15 | 11/16/15 | Cal-OES | 25,656.88 | | |
| Jerusalem, CA-LNU-007410 | 20154367 | 08/11-08/16/15 | 11/21/15 | Cal-OES | 10,927.14 | | |
| Rough, CA-SNF-001746 | 20154208 | 08/22-09/06/15 | 11/19/15 | Cal-OES | 221,591.66 | | |
| ONC Staging, CA-ONC-000005 | 2015-22 | 08/06-08/11/15 | 12/02/15 | USFS | 28,535.49 | | |
| Gasquet Complex (921), CA-SRF-001488 | 2015-23 | 08/15-09/02/15 | 12/02/15 | USFS | 30,772.33 | | |
| LPNF - Fire Support, CA-LPF-000004 | 2015-24 | 8/29/2015 | 12/02/15 | USFS | 799.94 | | |
| Cuesta Fire, CA-SLU-008555 | 20154658 | 08/18-08/27/15 | 12/02/15 | Cal-OES | 29,628.07 | | |
| Fork Complex, CA-SHF-002067 | 20154773 | 08/10-08/20/15 | 12/04/15 | Cal-OES | 144,153.71 | | |
| Gasquet Complex, CA-SRF-001488 (PIO) | 20154597 | 08/30-09/14/15 | 12/02/15 | Cal-OES | 38,549.45 | | |
| Gasquet Complex, CA-SRF-001488 (900) | 20154568 | 08/30-09/14/15 | 12/08/15 | Cal-OES | 67,689.24 | | |
| Butte Fire, CA-AEU-024918 | | 09/10-09/21/15 | | Cal-OES | 157,871.59 | | |
| Valley Fire, CA-LNU-008670 | | 09/16-09/17/15 | | Cal-OES | 8,822.89 | | |
| Solimar Fire, CA-VNC-089187 | | 12/26-12/27/15 | | Cal-OES | 12,682.91 | | |
| \$1,272,008.13 | | | | | | | \$ 93,727.58 |

P.O. Box 4370
 Santa Barbara, CA 93140

Owner Statement



Montecito Fire Protection District (MFPD)
 c/o Cochrane Property Management, Inc.
 PO Box 4370
 Santa Barbara, CA 93140



Properties
186 - Cochrane Prop.
Mgmt. FBO MFPD -
 1255-1259 E. Valley Road
 Santa Barbara, CA 93108

| Date | Payee / Payer | Type | Reference | Description | Income | Expense | Balance |
|------------|------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|--|----------|---------|----------|
| | | | | Beginning Cash Balance as of 12/01/2015 | | | 4,815.42 |
| 12/01/2015 | Leslie Muller | ACH receipt | 74B0-2AC2 | 1257 - Rent Income - December 2015 | 1,350.00 | | 6,165.42 |
| 12/02/2015 | Larry Todd Edwards | ACH receipt | 5C78-DB24 | 1255 - Rent Income - November 2015 | 76.54 | | 6,241.96 |
| 12/02/2015 | Larry Todd Edwards | ACH receipt | 5C78-DB24 | 1255 - Rent Income - December 2015 | 1,641.46 | | 7,883.42 |
| 12/03/2015 | Brandon Bennewater | ACH receipt | E746-6828 | 1259 - Rent Income - December 2015 | 1,287.00 | | 9,170.42 |
| 12/15/2015 | Montecito Water District | Payment | ACH | Water/Sewer - monthly water 01-1256-03: 10/27/15 - 11/23/15 (8 HCF) - December 2015 - Montecito Water monthly bill | | 69.22 | 9,101.20 |
| 12/20/2015 | Cochrane Property Management, Inc. | Check | 18794 | Administrative Fee - Monthly service fee - min \$5 - December 2015 - Monthly service fee - min \$5 | | 5.00 | 9,096.20 |
| 12/20/2015 | Cochrane Property Management, Inc. | Check | 18794 | Property Mgmt Fees - Property Mgmt Fees for 12/2015 | | 261.30 | 8,834.90 |
| 12/31/2015 | Cochrane Property Management, Inc. | Check | 18795 | Postage Expense - 11/11/15 postage expense | | 49.00 | 8,785.90 |
| 12/31/2015 | Hydrex-O'Conner Pest Control (SB) | Check | 18796 | Pest Control - 11/9/15 mo rodent service - 30 bait stations - December 2015 - mo rodent service - 30 bait stations | | 92.00 | 8,693.90 |
| 12/31/2015 | Hydrex-O'Conner Pest Control (SB) | Check | 18796 | Pest Control - 12/11/15 quarterly pest service (termites, etc.) | | 110.00 | 8,583.90 |
| 12/31/2015 | Peyton/Scapes | Check | 18797 | 1255 - Gardening/Landscaping - 11/30/15 mo gardening 1255 - December 2015 | | 55.00 | 8,528.90 |
| 12/31/2015 | Peyton/Scapes | Check | 18797 | 1257 - Gardening/Landscaping - 11/30/15 mo gardening 1257 - December 2015 | | 55.00 | 8,473.90 |
| 12/31/2015 | Peyton/Scapes | Check | 18797 | 1259 - Gardening/Landscaping - 11/30/15 mo gardening 1259 - December 2015 | | 55.00 | 8,418.90 |

| Date | Payee / Payer | Type | Reference | Description | Income | Expense | Balance |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-------|-----------|---|-----------------|---------------|----------|
| 12/31/2015 | Rayne Water Conditioning | Check | 18798 | 1257 - Water/Sewer - Monthly water softening 11/18/15 - December 2015 | | 47.00 | 8,371.90 |
| 12/31/2015 | Rayne Water Conditioning | Check | 18798 | 1255 - Water/Sewer - Monthly water softening 11/18/15 - December 2015 | | 75.00 | 8,296.90 |
| 12/31/2015 | Rayne Water Conditioning | Check | 18798 | 1259 - Water/Sewer - Monthly water softening 11/18/15 - December 2015 | | 47.00 | 8,249.90 |
| Ending Cash Balance | | | | | | | 8,249.90 |
| Total | | | | | 4,355.00 | 920.52 | |

Property Cash Summary

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Required Reserves | 5,000.00 |
| Prepaid Rent for Future Rent | 0.00 |

Cash Flow

Cochrane Property Management, Inc.

Properties: 186 - Cochrane Prop. Mgmt. FBO MFPD - 1255-1259 E. Valley Road Santa Barbara, CA 93108

Owned By: Montecito Fire Protection District (MFPD)

Date Range: 12/01/2015 to 12/31/2015

| Account Name | Selected Period | % of Selected Period | Fiscal Year To Date | % of Fiscal Year To Date |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Operating Income & Expense | | | | |
| Income | | | | |
| Income | | | | |
| Rent Income | 4,355.00 | 100.00 | 50,710.00 | 99.39 |
| Charge Back | 0.00 | 0.00 | 312.00 | 0.61 |
| Total Income | 4,355.00 | 100.00 | 51,022.00 | 100.00 |
| Total Operating Income | 4,355.00 | 100.00 | 51,022.00 | 100.00 |
| Expense | | | | |
| Office Expenses | | | | |
| Postage Expense | 49.00 | 1.13 | 98.00 | 0.19 |
| Administrative Fee | 5.00 | 0.11 | 60.00 | 0.12 |
| Total Office Expenses | 54.00 | 1.24 | 158.00 | 0.31 |
| Repair & Maintenance | | | | |
| Vacancy Repairs | | | | |
| Painting | 0.00 | 0.00 | 7,722.87 | 15.14 |
| Dump/Rubbish Removal | 0.00 | 0.00 | 278.00 | 0.54 |
| Total Vacancy Repairs | 0.00 | 0.00 | 8,000.87 | 15.68 |
| Gardening/Landscaping | 165.00 | 3.79 | 1,980.00 | 3.88 |
| General Cleaning/Janitorial | 0.00 | 0.00 | 160.00 | 0.31 |
| Plumbing | 0.00 | 0.00 | 144.90 | 0.28 |
| Carpentry | 0.00 | 0.00 | 7,547.08 | 14.79 |
| Pest Control | 202.00 | 4.64 | 1,764.00 | 3.46 |
| Windows/Doors/Blinds/Screen Repair | 0.00 | 0.00 | 401.22 | 0.79 |
| Roof Repairs | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1,650.00 | 3.23 |
| Smoke Alarms | 0.00 | 0.00 | 55.00 | 0.11 |
| Total Repair & Maintenance | 367.00 | 8.43 | 21,703.07 | 42.54 |
| Property Mgmt Fees | 261.30 | 6.00 | 3,042.60 | 5.96 |
| Utilities | | | | |
| Water/Sewer | 238.22 | 5.47 | 3,203.31 | 6.28 |
| Trash/Recycling | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1,252.42 | 2.45 |
| Total Utilities | 238.22 | 5.47 | 4,455.73 | 8.73 |
| Total Operating Expense | 920.52 | 21.14 | 29,359.40 | 57.54 |
| NOI - Net Operating Income | 3,434.48 | 78.86 | 21,662.60 | 42.46 |
| Total Income | 4,355.00 | 100.00 | 51,022.00 | 100.00 |
| Total Expense | 920.52 | 21.14 | 29,359.40 | 57.54 |

Cash Flow

| Account Name | Selected Period | % of Selected Period | Fiscal Year To Date | % of Fiscal Year To Date |
|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Net Income | 3,434.48 | 78.86 | 21,662.60 | 42.46 |
| Other Items | | | | |
| Security Deposits On Hand | 0.00 | | -40.00 | |
| Prepaid Rent | 0.00 | | -46.00 | |
| Owner Distribution | 0.00 | | -21,698.49 | |
| Net Other Items | 0.00 | | -21,784.49 | |
| Cash Flow | 3,434.48 | | -121.89 | |
| Beginning Cash | 4,815.42 | | 8,371.79 | |
| Beginning Cash + Cash Flow | 8,249.90 | | 8,249.90 | |
| Actual Ending Cash | 8,249.90 | | 8,249.90 | |

Agenda

Item #12

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MONTECITO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Held at Fire District Headquarters, 595 San Ysidro Road, December 14, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Director Powell at 2:02 p.m.

Present: Director Powell, Director Venable, Director Sinser, Director van Duinwyk, Director Easton. Chief Hickman and Counsel, Mark Manion were also present.

1. **Public comment: Any person may address the Board at this time on any non-agenda matter that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Montecito Fire Protection District. (30 minutes total time is allotted for this discussion.)**

Tim Trager, Counsel for Valley Improvement Company provided a statement regarding a Fire Protection Certificate and the associated cost to install sprinklers for an interior improvement project at a local business called, Northern Trust. Chief Hickman recognized Fire Marshal Al Gregson for 30 years of service. Fire Marshal Gregson stated that he has been "living the dream" while working at the Montecito Fire District. Fire Marshal Gregson presented Chief Hickman with his pin for 25 years of service.

2. **Election of Board Officers (President, Vice President, Secretary) for 2016-2017.**

Director Sinser nominated Director Powell as President, seconded by Director Easton. Director Sinser nominated Director van Duinwyk as Vice President, seconded by Director Powell. Director van Duinwyk nominated Director Sinser as Secretary, seconded by Director Powell. The Board unanimously approved appointing Director Powell as President, Director van Duinwyk as Vice President, and Director Sinser as Secretary.

3. **Appointment of Board Labor Negotiator for 2016-17.**

The motion to appoint Directors Powell and Venable as the Board Labor Negotiators was made by Director van Duinwyk, seconded by Director Easton and unanimously passed.

4. **Appointment of Board Real Property Negotiator for 2016-17.**

The motion to appoint Directors Sinser and Venable as the Board Real Property Negotiators was made by Director Powell, seconded by Director Easton and unanimously passed.

5. **Appointment of Committee members.**

- a. **Finance Committee.**

Director van Duinwyk nominated himself and Director Sinser as the Finance Committee members, seconded by Director Venable and unanimously passed.

- b. **Strategic Planning Committee.**

Director Sinser nominated Directors Powell and Easton as the Strategic Planning Committee members, seconded by Director van Duinwyk and unanimously

passed.

c. Personnel Committee.

Director Powell nominated Himself and Director Sinser as the Personnel Committee members, seconded by Director Sinser and unanimously passed.

6. Adopt Resolution 2015-13 determining time and place of regular board meetings.

The motion to designate 2:00 p.m. on the fourth Monday of each month at the Montecito Fire Protection District Headquarters, as the time and place of its regular meeting was made by Director Sinser and seconded by Director van Duinwyk. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: P. van Duinwyk, G. Sinser, J. A. Powell, J. K. Venable, S. Easton

7. Adopt Resolution 2015-14 regarding inventory of District lands and air space.

The Board took a brief recess to take their new photo for the District website. The meeting reconvened at 2:35 p.m. Director Sinser suggested that the resolution be amended to reflect the potential acquisition of certain real property located at 1510 San Leandro Lane. The motion to adopt the resolution, as amended, regarding inventory of District lands and air space was made by Director Sinser and seconded by Director van Duinwyk. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: P. van Duinwyk, G. Sinser, J.A. Powell, J. K. Venable, S. Easton

8. Adopt Resolution 2015-15 increasing Director's Compensation.

The motion to adopt the resolution increasing Director's compensation was made by Director Venable and seconded by Director Sinser. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: P. van Duinwyk, G. Sinser, J. A. Powell, J. K. Venable, S. Easton

9. Approval of Resolution 2015-12 establishing budget and financial policies.

Director van Duinwyk provided a report regarding the Finance Committee's recommendation to approve the resolution. The motion to approve the amended resolution establishing budget and financial policies was made by Director van Duinwyk and seconded by Director Venable. The roll call vote was as follows:

Ayes: P. van Duinwyk, G. Sinser, J. A. Powell, J. K. Venable, S. Easton

10. Report from the Finance Committee:

a. Consider recommendation to approve November 2015 financial statements.

Director van Duinwyk provided a report regarding the Finance Committee meeting. The motion to approve financial statements ending November 30, 2015 was made by Director van Duinwyk, seconded by Director Easton and unanimously passed.

11. Approval of Minutes of the November 16, 2015 Special Meeting.

The motion to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2015 Special Meeting was made by Director Sinser, seconded by Director van Duinwyk and unanimously passed.

12. Discussion item: Transfer of easement to Upper Hyde residents.

Chief Hickman provided background information regarding the easement transfer to Upper Hyde Road residents. The Board recommended that a registered letter be sent to the residents, followed with a courtesy phone call regarding the action.

13. Discussion item: Update regarding the San Leandro property.

Mark Manion provided information regarding the acquisition of the San Leandro property. He stated that the Notice of the Initial Study/Negative Declaration is going out today. He noted that this item will be placed on the January 25th agenda.

14. Discussion item: Appointment of board member to represent the District in the upcoming LAFCO board election.

Chief Hickman provided information regarding the LAFCO election to be held on January 25, 2016. Director Easton volunteered to attend the meeting.

15. Fire Chief's report.

Chief Hickman highlighted various response calls during the month of November. The Chief indicated that the District participated in the December 3rd Montecito Planning Commission meeting regarding the Casa Dorinda project. He noted that a concern of the Commission is that Casa Dorinda, a non-profit organization is not paying taxes. The Chief stated that the Planning Commission requested that the Board consider charging project impact fees. Chief Hickman stated that the District received a \$32,000.00 check for the reimbursement for radios. The Chief indicated that the District has completed the promotional process for Captains, and the hiring process for Paramedics and Firefighters. Chief Hickman mentioned that the Department will dress the Hathaway tree on December 18th at 1:00 p.m.

16. Board of Director's report.

Director Venable reported that the MERRAG Annual Meeting was well attended. Director Easton stated that she would like to attend the one day CSDA training on January 14th, in Port Hueneme. The motion to approve Director Easton's request to attend the CSDA training was made by Director van Duinwyk, seconded by Director Sinser and unanimously passed.

17. Suggestions from Directors for items other than regular agenda items to be included for the January 25, 2016 Regular Board meeting.

The Board determined that the January 25th Special Meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m. In addition, the slate for the LAFCO and CSDA elections will be agendized.

The Board convened in closed session at 3:41 p.m.

18. CLOSED SESSION. Performance evaluation of a public employee pursuant to California Government Code Section 54957(b):

a. Employee: Fire Chief Chip Hickman

The Board reported that no reportable action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

President John Abraham Powell

Secretary Gene Sinsler

Agenda

Item #13

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ISHING YOU - All of you -

PEACE, HEALTH AND HAPPINESS

THROUGHOUT THE YEAR

With great thanks for the crew
responding to my mal-functioning
smoke alarm at 3:30 AM on
August 12th - 1555 San Leandro Lane.

Merry Christmas!

Lee Bacon



South Lake County Fire Protection District
in cooperation with
California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

P.O. Box 1360 Middletown, CA 95461 - (707) 987-3089

December 14, 2015

Montecito Fire Protection District
595 San Ysidro Road
Santa Barbara, CA 93108

Chief Chip Hickman,

The Board of Directors of the South Lake County Fire Protection District humbly thanks your department for responding to the Valley Fire. About 200 fire departments helped to contain the fire that is now known to be the third worst fire in California, destroying more than 1,100 homes and consuming about one third of the Fire District.

The outpouring of donations has been overwhelming. This generosity will aid in helping our community as we rebuild.

We again thank you for your courageous efforts and offer the enclosed certificate as a token of our appreciation.

Respectfully,

SOUTH LAKE COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Madelyn Martinelli'.

Madelyn Martinelli
President, Board of Directors

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South Lake County Fire Protection District

County of Lake, State of California




The community is genuinely grateful
to you for keeping them safe.

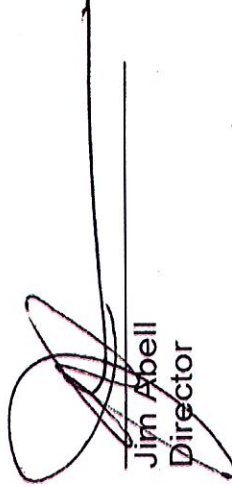
The Board of Directors wishes to thank
Montecito Fire Protection District
for responding to the Valley Fire.


Madelyn Martinelli
President


Theresa Foster
Vice President


Rob Bostock
Director


Jim Comisky II
Director


Jim Abell
Director

December 14, 2015

Joyce Reed

To: Chip Hickman
Subject: RE: Letter of appreciation

From: Chip Hickman
Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 11:21 AM
To: Joyce Reed <jreed@montecitofire.com>; Kevin Taylor <ktaylor@montecitofire.com>
Cc: Kevin Taylor <ktaylor@montecitofire.com>
Subject: FW: Letter of appreciation

From: Geri Ventura
Sent: Tuesday, January 12, 2016 10:58 AM
To: Chip Hickman <chickman@montecitofire.com>
Subject: FW: Letter of appreciation

From: jefft237@sbcglobal.net <jefft237@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Saturday, January 9, 2016 1:03 PM
To: Geri Ventura
Cc: Dani Tiqui
Subject: Letter of appreciation

Geri Ventura,

If I am reading your department's organizational chart correctly, I believe you are the administrative assistant to the fire chief. Could you please forward this letter of appreciation to him and to all who were involved on a call that occurred on Wednesday December 30th 2015 on the Cold Spring Trail, Thanks.

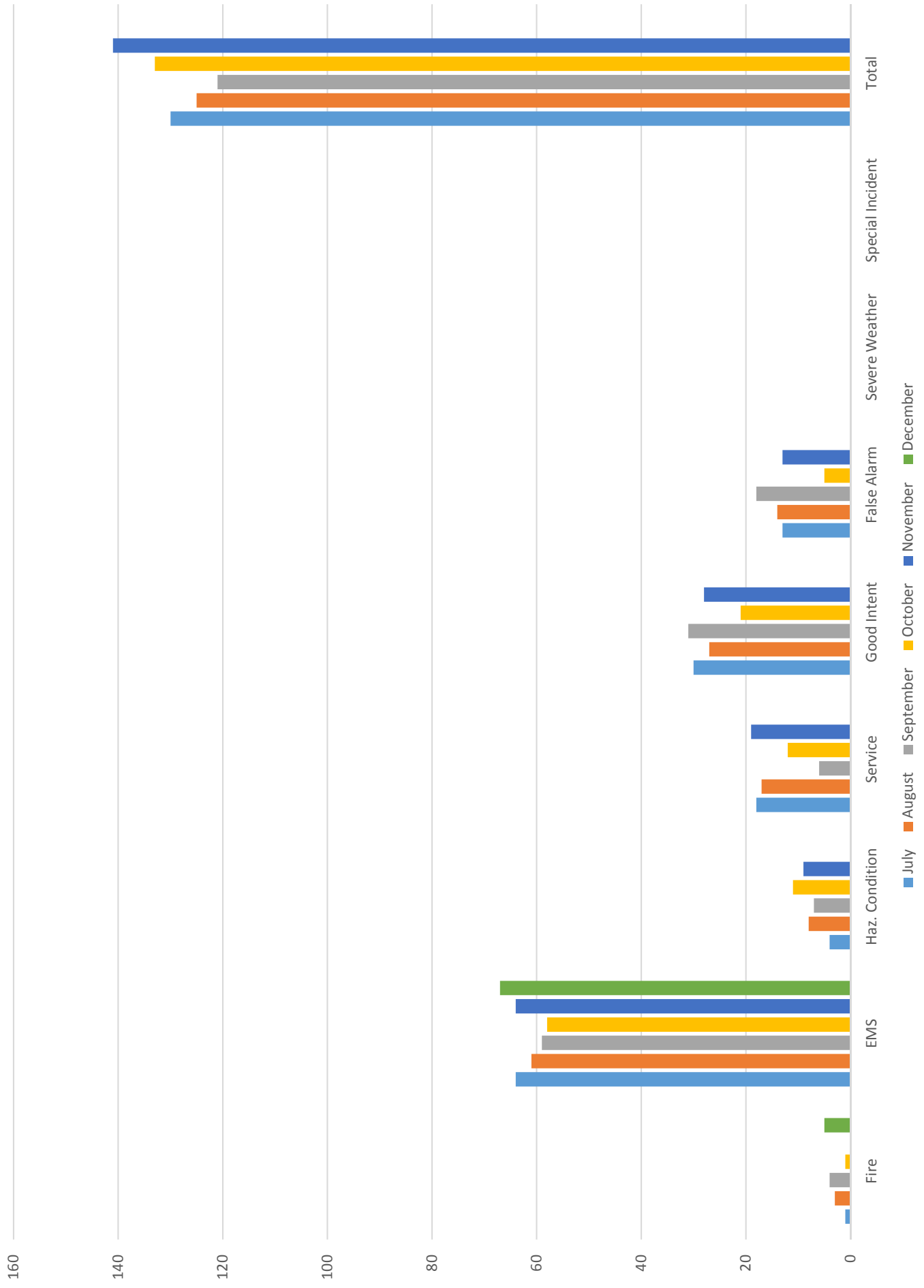
Chief Hickman,

On Wednesday December 30th 2015, your department along with AMR responded to a call that occurred on the Cold Springs Trail for a woman that fell and had a leg injury. That woman is my wife Danielle. She was out with some friends for a day hike and unfortunately fell about a half mile from the trail head. As a firefighter myself for the past 25 years, I would like to express my appreciation for the care she received from your department. She originally tried to make her way down with the assistance of her friends, however the pain worsened and she called upon your department for help. She was very complimentary of the professionalism and efficiency of the crews that responded, and she took notice of how nice all of the crew members were. From the pictures I saw and what she described she was splinted, given pain medication and carried out in the stokes basket. From there she was transferred to AMR who continued her care and transported her to Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital. Just to update your department on her condition, she fractured the lower end of her fibula in two places and tore a ligament in her ankle. She actually had surgery yesterday to repair the damage with pins, screws and a plate, and is now resting at home. Her orthopedic surgeon is confident that the surgery was a success and she should be back to normal in a couple of months. On behalf of her and myself please share with all who were involved in her rescue and medical care our sincere appreciation. Unfortunately from the pain and medication she does not recall any names, however she was very complimentary of all who were there. Please forward to the AMR crew and their supervisor if you have the ability to do so as we would both appreciate that.

Thank you,

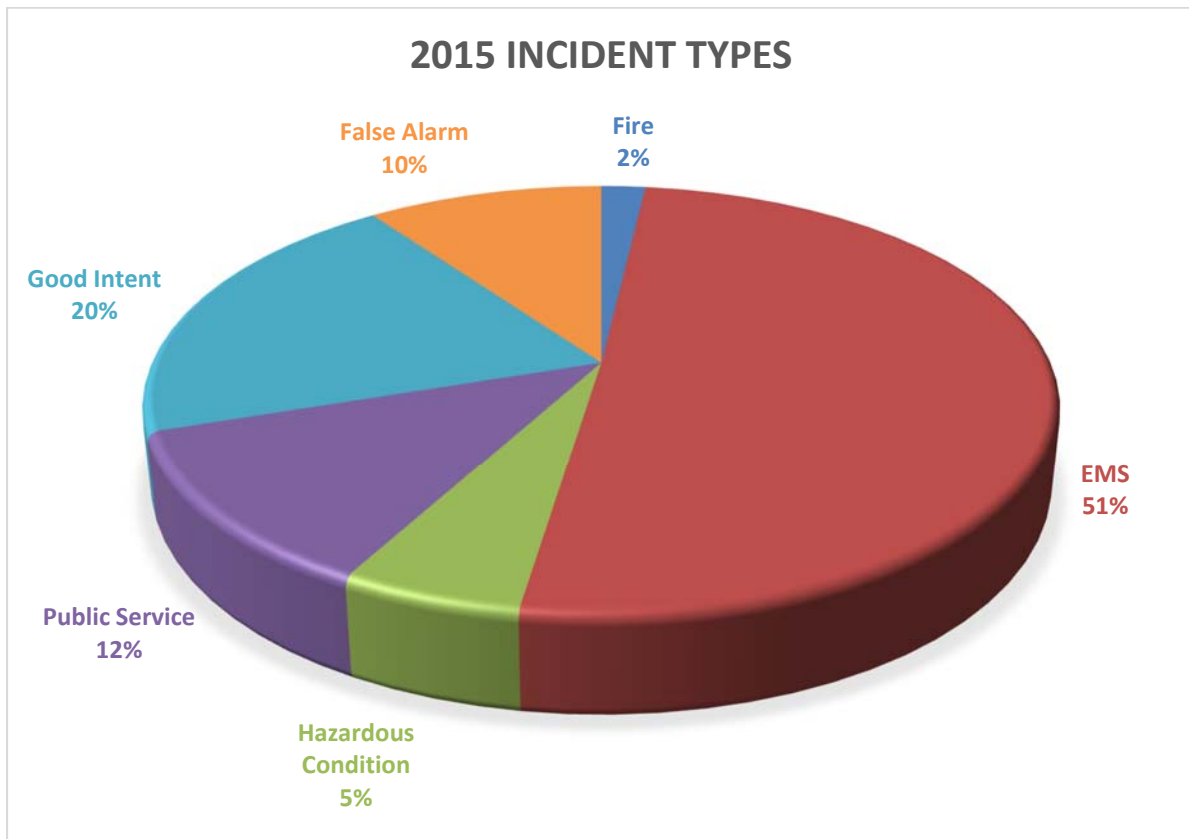
Jeff Tiqui
Engineer/Paramedic
City of Orange Fire Department

July - December 2015 Incident Trend



**2015 INCIDENTS
CALLS BY INCIDENT TYPE
TOTAL INCIDENTS: 1459**

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| FIRE: 27 | EMS: 738 |
| HAZARDOUS CONDITION: 81 | PUBLIC SERVICE**: 174 |
| GOOD INTENT*: 294 | FALSE ALARM: 145 |
| SEVERE WEATHER: 0 | SPECIAL INCIDENT TYPE: 0 |

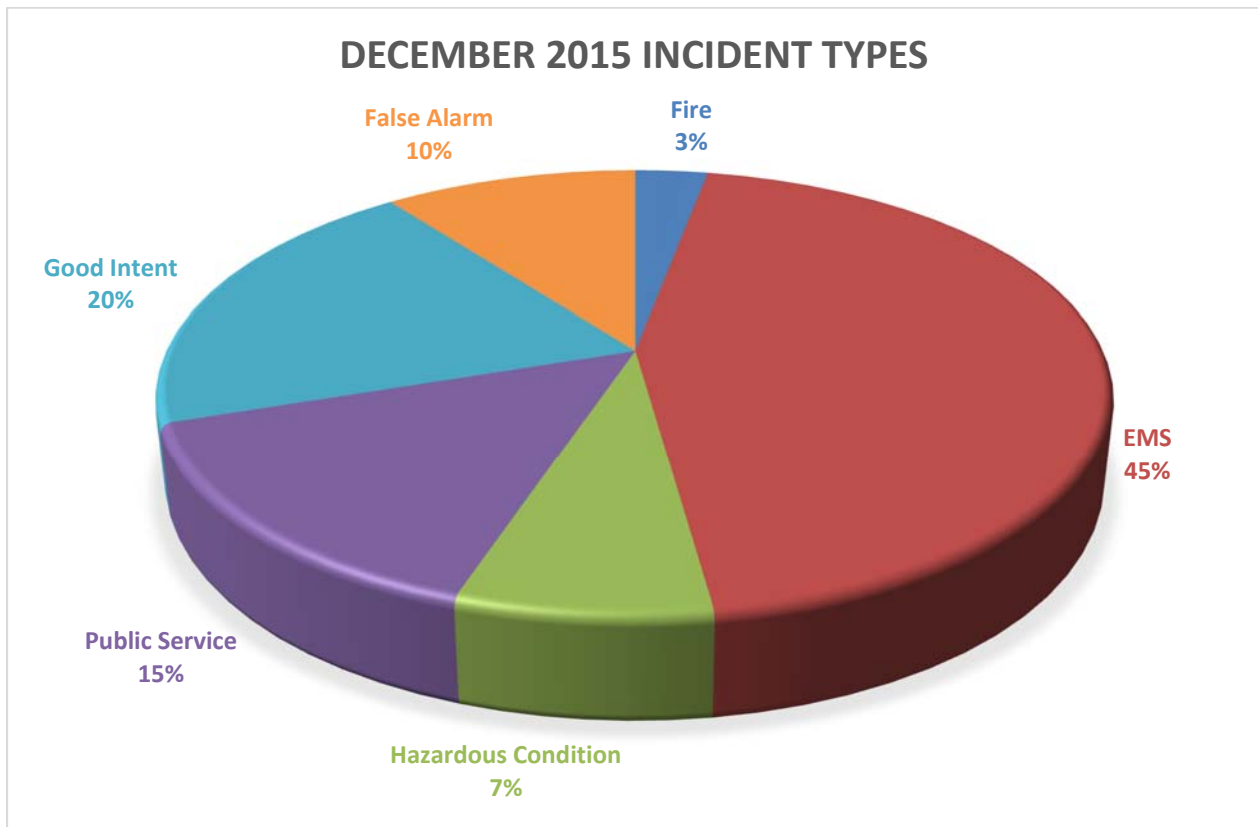


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** Public Service: Non-emergency requests for assistance. Examples: lock out, animal rescue, ring removal, water problem; lift assists, seized gate, stalled elevator, providing the Sheriff's Department with a ladder to enter a building.

**DECEMBER 2015
CALLS BY INCIDENT TYPE
TOTAL INCIDENTS: 136**

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| FIRE: 4 | EMS: 61 |
| HAZARDOUS CONDITION: 10 | PUBLIC SERVICE**: 20 |
| GOOD INTENT*: 27 | FALSE ALARM: 14 |
| SEVERE WEATHER: 0 | SPECIAL INCIDENT TYPE: 0 |



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