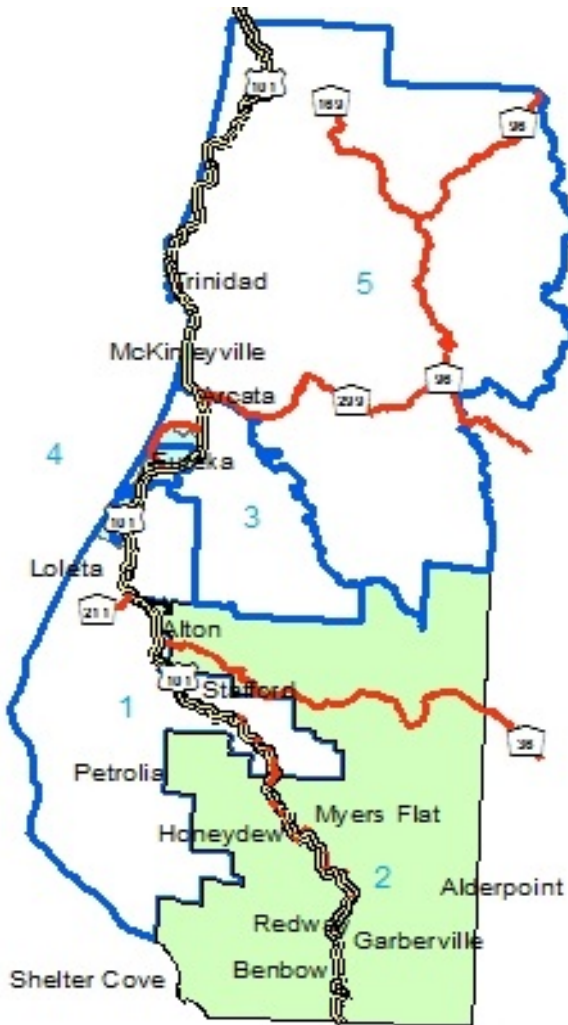


Estelle Fennell Humboldt County Second District Supervisor

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Fire Departments:

- Alderpoint Volunteer Fire Company
- Briceland Volunteer Fire Department
- Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department
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- Sprowel Creek Volunteer Fire Company
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- Whale Gulch Volunteer Fire Company
- Whitethorn Volunteer Fire Department



Alderpoint Volunteer Fire Company

Chief: Sterling W. Kercher
Asst. Chief: Michael Joe Vall
Asst. Chief: Robin Craig

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 Alderpoint, CA 95511

707-926-5486



Alderpoint Volunteer Fire Company (AVFC) was established in November 2007. The Company has 17 dedicated volunteers which includes nine first responders and three EMTs. We have a coverage area of 128 square miles in Southern Humboldt. Our apparatus include a three-passenger Ford 900 Type-2 engine with 750-gallon capacity and a five passenger 1990 Ford F-800 Type-3 engine with 500-gallon capacity. Both engines are equipped with firefighting and medical emergency supplies including oxygen and Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs). We just recently had a two-bay fire truck garage installed to store trucks and equipment. We also have Jaws-of Life and a ropes rescue kit. We provide mutual aid to Palo Verde Volunteer Fire Company, Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department, Kettenpom-Zenia Volunteer Fire Department, Garberville Volunteer Fire Department and aid California Highway Patrol in traffic control. AVFC proudly serves our large coverage area to the best of our abilities.

Challenges & Needs:

We have a large coverage area, and it can take 30+ minutes to drive the firetruck from the north to the south end. We are hoping to get a new firetruck in the near future so that we can have a truck at each end of our area. We are also in need of a vehicle specifically for medical calls as we are currently using personal vehicles to haul medical equipment since transport in the firetruck takes so long. Since GPS doesn't work well in our area, another challenge we have is the Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) system sending us to the wrong place.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/ Menace | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 9 | 2 | 7 | 6 | 34 | 1 | - | 2 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | | 61 |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 1910 | 1150 | - | 435 | 17 | | 3 | |

Briceland Volunteer Fire Department

Fire Chief: Jim Fulton

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Redway/Briceland, CA 95560

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Firefighting services for the Briceland Fire Protection District (BFPD) are provided by the Briceland Volunteer Fire Department (BVFD). The BVFD, an active member of the fire service in Humboldt County, participates in the countywide fire protection mutual aid agreement and has an active role in the Southern Humboldt Technical Rescue Team. The BVFD provides a full range of fire protection services, including structure, wildland and wildland-interface suppression, emergency medical services, technical rescue, and general public assistance responses. We presently maintain 2 emergency medical technicians and 13 emergency medical responders on our roster. Services are financially supported by community contributions, fundraising events, CAL FIRE cover assignments, and revenue from the BFPD special tax. Our team of new recruits from 2016 is now a well-functioning team of seasoned firefighters. Our team of experienced long-term members and new recruits spent 3,364 additional hours over the season fighting fire both in Humboldt County and beyond, gaining valuable experience and helping to serve the wider community in their time of need. With the help of Measure Z funding and community support, we are continuing the process of designing and building our permanent station on a lot we have owned in downtown Briceland for many years. In addition, with the help of Measure Z funding, we have replaced our older Type-1 engine with a newer 4wd Type-1. Other apparatus used include two 4WD Type-3 engines, two 4WD Type-6 engines, one 1500-gallon capacity Type-S3 water tender, and one 4WD Command/EMS Vehicle.

Challenges & Needs:

Although we are embarking on our station building project with the help of Measure Z funding, we are still short of the total funds necessary for this ambitious project. We are continuing to fundraise and will potentially need to complete our project in stages as funds become available.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/ Menace | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 9 | 2 | 18 | 9 | 26 | 3 | 4 | 7 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | | 78 |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 668 | 1520 | 255 | 560 | 19 | | 17 | |

Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: Ben Fleek
Asst. Chief: Brandon Barnwell, Dane Pond

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 Bridgeville, CA 95526

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The Bridgeville Volunteer Fire Department (BVFD) began operating in 2005 providing fire suppression, rescue services, emergency medical services, and hazardous material response to the community of Bridgeville and the Van Duzen watershed. In August 2012, the Bridgeville Fire Protection District (BFPD) was formed to establish an ongoing revenue source to support the delivery of fire protection and emergency services by BVFD. BFPD covers 196 square miles and approximately 126,000 acres—the largest district in the County of Humboldt. BFPD serves many micro communities within the district, as well as coverage of State Highway 36, a high pressure natural gas pipeline, and adjacent United States Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management lands which present a high risk of wildfire. BFPD currently has 12 trained firefighting personnel members, two of which are EMTs (Emergency Medical Technicians), all others are trained as first responders. BFPD also offers non-transport Basic Life Support (BLS) services.

In 2017, Bridgeville Fire Protection District received Measure Z funding. Along with basic equipment, the District was able to purchase a 2017 Ford Rescue Truck. This multipurpose rescue vehicle is the District's first-out apparatus, as it is able to respond to medical calls, traffic collisions, fires, public assistance needs and a variety of emergency situations with all first response resources on board.

Challenges & Needs:

Local, State and Federal fire service requirements demand more training to be obtained and maintained by Volunteers making member recruitment and retention extremely challenging. As with most small rural departments, BFPD is challenged with aging equipment and facilities. Despite these challenges BFPD continues to offer timely response and the ability to coordinate mutual aid when necessary to minimize the loss of life and property.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/ Menace | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 1 | 2 | 15 | 32 | 35 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | | 88 |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 670 | 609 | 115 | 122 | 12 | | 0 | |

Carlotta Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: John Church
Asst. Chiefs: Todd Calvo & Kevin Burke
Captain: Rob Hayes

PO Box 33
 Carlotta, CA 95528

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The Carlotta Volunteer Fire Department (CVFD) provides firefighting services through the Carlotta Community Services District. The CVFD supports three EMTs and 10 First Responders, for a total of 13 volunteers. Our first-out engine is a 2001 E-One pumper (purchased with Measure Z funds, THANK YOU!) with 1,000 gallons. For medical/rescue, we have a 2008 F350 4x4 Super-Duty Rescue Truck outfitted with a state-of-the-art Hurst Portable Jaws/Ram/Cutter equipment, and a new portable air-bag stabilization system. A 1986 GMC ¾-ton rescue vehicle contains rope and rescue gear. Our backup fire truck is a 1977 Ford Van Pelt Pumper with 850 gallons of water. For wildland fires, rope rescues, and traffic control duties, we upgraded this year to a 2000 Ford F350 4x4 Utility Truck that carries rope gear, 150 gallons of water and foam. We also have two water tenders: a 1977 Ford Van Pelt Pumper/Tender Combo with 2,000 gallons, and a 1985 converted Military 6-wheel drive truck with 3,000 gallons.

Challenges & Needs:
 One of our main challenges is trying to keep up with the increased medical training requirements (initial and recertification).

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/ Menace | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 3 | 2 | 10 | 31 | 48 | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | 99 | |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 600 | 260 | 180 | 100 | 13 | | 0 | |

Fortuna Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: Lon Winburn
Div.Chief-Ops: Rus Brown
Div.Chief-Safety: Jim Hinrichs

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 Fortuna, CA 95540

707-725-5021
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Since 1904, the Fortuna Volunteer Fire Department has been honored to be a part of this community. Our unpaid volunteers endeavor to provide the best fire protection possible for your families, homes, and businesses. Our volunteers come from all walks of life, and give the gift of their time to protect our community. The Fortuna Volunteer Fire Department is comprised of five fire companies which respond to Fortuna, Fernbridge, Palmer Creek, Hydesville, Alton, and the Metropolitan area. The eighty position roster is comprised of one Chief, three Division Chiefs, a Chaplain, five Captains, ten Lieutenants, and sixty Firefighters. Volunteers respond from three fire stations—Hydesville, Campton Heights, and Fortuna, which house six fire engines, two ladder trucks, two water tenders, two rescue trucks, and three command vehicles.

Challenges & Needs:

We, like all volunteer fire service agencies, continue to struggle with not only recruiting new volunteers but retaining them as well. The demands that we are forced to put on our volunteers due to mandates as well as routine training to assure their efficiency and safety are, for many, overwhelming. For those that stick it out and become one of the “fire family”, the benefits realized are unmeasurable. For the communities they serve, they are a true blessing and an extremely valuable asset.

While Fortuna's Fire Department is technically a combination department with 3 full-time positions on the roster, our long term goal is to provide the community we serve with a cost-effective, well-trained and professional volunteer fire agency through the implementation of modern and efficient programs while providing a variety of opportunities to our volunteers.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/Menace | Others Services |
| 31 | 18 | 67 | 80 | 673 | 25 | 233 |
| Total Responses | | | | | 1127 | |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Career | Volunteer | Auxiliary |
| 3153 | 2545 | 200 | 200 | 3 | 77 | 22 |

Fruitland Ridge Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: Michael Lake
Captain: Jimi Hensley

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 Myers Flat, CA 95554

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Challenges & Needs:

Needs: The Fire Hall requires repairs for the heating and water system. The fire hall kitchen needs to be upgraded for commercial use during disasters. Our plans include replacing our 1974 Type-3 engine for structure fires.

Challenges: Recruitment and retention of Volunteers and Auxiliary personnel.

The Fruitland Ridge Fire Protection District is an all-volunteer department that provides firefighting and emergency services to Fruitland Ridge. Fruitland Ridge is a village approximately three miles east of Highway 254 (the Avenue of the Giants), located between Myers Flat and Miranda. The community contains 223 residences. The FRFPD has a service area that is approximately 35 square miles, spanning west to Elk Creek Road, east to Whitlow Road, north to McCann, and south to Eel Rock Road.

In 2017, FRFPD accomplished three goals: installed a new set of roll-up doors, added 5,000 gallons of water storage, and installed a new roof. The department spearheaded a multi-departmental Recruitment and Retention Rendezvous, participated in organizing a unified Avenue of the Giants Fire Cooperative, and staffed the first aid station at the Avenue of the Giants Marathon.

Apparatus used are a 2010 Ford 550 4X4 Quick Attack and Rescue Vehicle, 1974 900-gallon International Fire Engine Pumper, and 1994 2250-gallon Freightliner Water Tender

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/Menace | Public Assistance | Others Services |
| 2 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 3 | - | 1 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | 17 | |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 112 | 220 | 16 | 475 | 7 | | 10 | |

Garberville Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: Kent Scown
Asst. Chief: Alfred Williams
Asst. Chief: Todd Barton

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 Garberville, CA

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The Garberville Volunteer Fire Department (GVFD) provides fire, medical, and extrication services to the Garberville Fire Protection District (GFPD). Formed in 1940, the GVFD also serves a large area outside of their district, including areas in Southern Humboldt and Northern Mendocino counties. The GVFD operates from Foltz Station in downtown Garberville. The Foltz Station also provides a home to the Southern Humboldt Technical Rescue Team. In 2015, GFPD added a new Rescue vehicle which carries our extrication equipment.

Challenges & Needs:

GVFD is continuing to explore expansion of district boundaries. Expansion would increase the number of potential volunteers, improve service and response times, and is expected to provide additional funding for resource and training improvement. Finding qualified and motivated volunteers is always a challenge.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/ Menace | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 11 | 6 | 12 | 26 | 80 | - | 3 | 23 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | | 161 |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 1,900 | 1,143 | 250 | 750 | 15 | | 6 | |

Miranda Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: Robert Richardson

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Miranda, CA 95553

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The Miranda Volunteer Fire Department (MVFD) provides firefighting services through the Miranda Community Services District (MCSD). The MVFD is made up of 16 responders. Specialized equipment consists of a Jaws-of-Life. MVFD has very strong support from the MCSD and the citizens of Miranda. MVFD works with CAL FIRE for mutual response inside and outside the MCSD boundaries.

The engines in the fleet include:

Engine 6039 4x4 Type-3 1999 international 500 gpm and 500-gallon tank; Engine 6036 4x4 Type-3 1994 international 500 gpm and 500-gallon tank; Engine 6016 2004 Type-1; Spartan 1250 gpm and 750 tank; Engine 6046 2005 Type 6 4x4 dodge 250 gpm and 250 tank; and a Wt 6066 1997 water tender 4x4 freightliner 375 gpm 2,070-gallon tank.

Challenges & Needs:

Our needs for the future include an addition to our main hall so all trucks can be housed in one location indoors. We need more volunteers and additional funding to support the increased call volume.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/Menace | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 15 | 7 | 21 | 28 | 86 | 8 | 7 | 4 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | 176 | |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 3200 | 1422 | 425 | 192 | 12 | | 4 | |

Myers Flat Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: Tom Mulder

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Myers Flat, CA 95554

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The Myers Flat Volunteer Fire Department (MFVFD) provides firefighting services to the Myers Flat Fire Protection District (MFFPD). The MFVFD serves approximately 200 residents at its peak but 100-150 fulltime. Apparatus used include Engine 6931, a Type-3 engine, and Engine 6930, a Type-3 engine with Compressed Air Foam System (CAFS), which was purchased in 2006. We recently complimented our emergency equipment with a full set of RESCUE 42 stabilization struts, cribbing, a new state-of-the-art Sager Emergency Fracture Response System (which can splint ANY extremity fracture in the position it is found), a portable 2000-lumen LED scene light, as well as other medical equipment. Measure Z provided funding for bunker gear, breathing apparatus, and wildland gear.

MFVFD contracts out two four-day weekends each summer and heads up the fire protection crew for music festivals in Northern Mendocino County. The department earned \$ 3,300 total for the two events. These fundraisers generate one-fifth of our annual budget. We have a new volunteer Chief, and two other volunteers, with two more potentials.

Challenges & Needs:
Although we have up-to-date apparatus, we are in need of operators and firefighters to use them. The demographic of the community is changing and we have a lack of firefighters as a result. Another challenge we face this year is getting everyone to pass the medical inspection and be properly trained.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/ Menace | Pubic Assists | Other Services |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | 0 | |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 0 | 75 | 50 | 192 | 3 | | 0 | |

Palo Verde Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: Christoph Fisher
Asst. Chief: Chad Gonzales

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 Redway, CA 95560

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 707-498-0182



The Palo Verde Volunteer Fire Department (PVVFD) is a non-district fire company established in 1983. The department operates a fleet of four vehicles, which serve approximately 4,000 residences across 115 square miles in Humboldt, Trinity, and Mendocino Counties. The PVVFD has strategically placed a total of 50,000-gallons of water storage tanks throughout our response area. Our department has grown over the years into a professional year-round fire department, operated by a membership of 15 first responders and 15 wildland firefighters.

The PVVFD receives no funds from parcel assessments. All revenue is generated from donations, payments from CAL FIRE calls, and the hard work of our fundraising volunteers.

Training of response personnel is an on-going issue. Training events sponsored by CAL FIRE and other fire departments have greatly benefitted our department. Providing better aid to the community served is a goal of the PVVFD and a regional training facility is needed to provide volunteers current and up to date skills.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/ Menace | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | | 8 |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 150 | 800 | 500 | 1000 | 30 | | 15 | |

Phillipsville Volunteer Fire Company

Chief: Hank Toborg
Asst. Chief: Rich Toten

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 Phillipsville, CA 95559

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The Phillipsville Volunteer Fire Company (PVFC) was formed in March of 1973. We provide medical and fire services for the town of Phillipsville and surrounding areas along the southern portion of the Avenue of the Giants. Using our water tender pictured above, the PVFC also responds to wildland fires throughout Southern Humboldt.

The PVFC does not have a tax-based fire district and exists solely on fundraising efforts by members of the community and the company for continued operations. We are always eager to recruit additional volunteers. Starting in 1989, the Phillipsville Community Services District (PCSD) began supplying water to the town and the PVFC. In 1998, the PVFC and the PCSD constructed a building to house equipment for the PVFC and the offices for the PCSD, also pictured above. Looking to the future, the community plans to join the administration of each entity in order to provide consistent funding and increased operations and emergency response services.

We were grateful to receive eight new SCBAs from Measure Z in 2015.

Challenges & Needs:

We are looking into forming a district to address funding needs. We are in need of more volunteer firefighters and board members. Our department is also lacking in administrative skills such as computer skills and filing paperwork. CAL FIRE staffing is minimal and their fee (the California State Responsibility Area fire prevention fee) detracts from the community's willingness to pay a new tax to support local fire services. We really need increased community involvement to support the Company (general participation, donations, help with fundraising—any little thing has a big impact). We also need increased awareness about how we are organized, what we do, and the fact that we are all volunteers.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/ Menace | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 7 | 2 | 1 | - | 1 | - | - | - |
| Total Responses | | | | | | 11 | |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fund-raising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 82 | 580 | 100 | 90 | 2 | | 3 | |

Redway Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: Brian Anderson
Asst. Chief: Brian Harper
2nd Asst. Chief: Pete Genolio

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 Redway, CA 95560

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The Redway Fire Protection District primarily serves the unincorporated town of Redway, located in southern Humboldt County. Established in 1958, the Redway Fire Protection District was formed to provide fire protection and other emergency services for our community. Our all-volunteer department also provides emergency service assistance to our neighboring local and state public safety partners. The RFPD is funded by a percentage of property taxes generated within our district, partial reimbursement from Proposition 172 funding, and our annual deep pit BBQ. Our responsibilities include, but are not limited to, providing year-round emergency fire protection and emergency medical response. The RFPD fleet includes one utility pickup, two Type-1 fire engines, one Type 4 quick attack engine, and one 2000-gallon water tender.

Recruiting new volunteers into the fire volunteer fire service is a wide spread problem, and Redway is no exception. In 2017 we did, however, see our membership grow by two positions. Providing adequate training facilities in close proximity to our district continues to be a challenge. In June of this year, RFPD responded to a major structure fire in Garberville. With the use of the new Measure Z funded breathing apparatus, we were able to safely co-mingle firefighters from three different departments and halt the spread of what could have been a very devastating fire to the town of Garberville.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/Me nance | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 19 | 10 | 34 | 21 | 87 | 16 | 2 | 3 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | 192 | |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fund-raising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 485 | 926 | 450 | 460 | 13 | | 0 | |

Rio Dell Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: Shane Wilson
1st Asst. Chief: Ryan Heussler
2nd Asst. Chief: Josh Miraglia

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 Rio Dell, CA 95562



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The Rio Dell Volunteer Fire Department (RDVFD) was formed in 1944 and operates in the Rio Dell Fire Protection District (RDFPD), which serves the City of Rio Dell and surrounding areas of Monument Road and Blue Slide Road, with a total response area of 62 square miles. The district is governed by an elected board consisting of five commissioners. The district depends upon property taxes and assessments for the majority of our funding. Under the direction of the Fire Chief, we consist of two assistant chiefs and two fire companies, totaling 27 volunteer firefighters.

Our apparatus include an E 7112 Type-1 1996 Freightliner 1000 gallon, 30 gallon foam, 1250 GMP Pump; an E 7134 Type-3 1995 Freightliner 750 gallon, 1250 gpm Pump; an E 7135 Type-3 2015 International 750 gallon, 30 gallon foam tank, 1250 gpm Pump, a R 7171 Type-4 2005 Ford F550 4x4, 250 gallon, 15 gallon foam, 300 gpm Pump, auto extrication; a T 7151 Water Tender, 1986 International 3800 gallon, 10" quick dump, 4000 gallon fold-a-tank; and a C 7100: Ford Expedition Incident Command/Immediate Response/Duty Chief Vehicle.

Challenges & Needs:

Station Expansion
 We need to add two bays to our station and improve facilities and fulfill ADA requirements.

Equipment
 We need a new water tender that is smaller and has less maintenance issues.

We retired our 1972 International E 7123 and replaced it with a 2015 International E 7135 in December 2016. The E 7123 has found a new home in Shively, CA.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/ Menace | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 11 | 4 | 43 | 24 | 231 | 13 | 38 | 8 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | 372 | |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 1325 | 2145 | 175 | 575 | 27 | | 4 | |

Salmon Creek Volunteer Fire Company

Chief: Joe Nolen

Asst. Chief: Thomas Norris

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Miranda, CA 95553

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Salmon Creek is a remote community of about 300 homes and a private school serving a 40-30 square mile area. It's located about six miles west of Highway 101. Our volunteer fire company consists of twelve dedicated members including one EMT, six Emergency Medical Responders, four fire engines, and two AEDs. We have a 1,800-gallon Type-3 water tender, a Type-2 1988 International Model 5 engine, and a 4 four-wheel drive Quick Attack. We are lucky to have many able bodies on our crew as well as a very supportive community.

Challenges & Needs:

Our main need is a new apparatus, with our present equipment being over 30 years old. Increased funding is always a need as well.

With the addition of our new personal protective equipment, provided through the Humboldt County Fire Chiefs' Association Measure Z grant, we have been able to provide our community with wildland and structural firefighting capabilities from our entire staff.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/ Menace | Public Assistance | Others |
| 4 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 14 | 5 | 1 | 1 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | | 33 |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 180 | 1920 | 900 | 80 | 12 | | 0 | |

Shelter Cove Volunteer Fire Department

Chief Duty Officer: Sal Gurreri
Asst. Chief: Cheryl Antony
Captains: Jesse Gurreri & Frank Wilson

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 Whitethorn, CA 95589

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sheltercove-cagov/fire/fire.htm



Shelter Cove Fire Department provides firefighting, technical rescue, and ocean rescue as well as advanced EMS services to the Shelter Cove Resort Improvement District. The immediate District covers 49 square miles with extensive response well beyond district boundaries, including over 600 homes, numerous businesses, 9 hotels/motels, 2 popular beaches, and a public airport. The Shelter Cove Fire Department protects this District with four fire engines, 1 ALS/BLS 4x4 ambulance, 2 ATV rescue units, and 2 ocean rescue units, as well as a hydraulic- and battery-powered Jaws-of-Life. Shelter Cove Fire Department is dedicated to providing the upmost level of emergency medical care and fire rescue services to the residences and visitors with 16 firefighters/first responders 4 firefighter EMTs and 2 paramedics. Shelter Cove's 4x4 ambulances allow us to reach the outskirts of our District regardless of weather conditions quickly and safely. Our 24/7 Duty Officer Program provides response times of less than 5 minutes.

In 2014, the Shelter Cove Fire Department collaborated with community members and the Resort Improvement District No. 1 to help make Shelter Cove a nationally recognized Firewise Community. The fire department assists with the implementation of the community's Firewise Action Plan to help reduce the community's vulnerability to damage from wildfire.

In 2017, the Shelter Cove community decided to increase the fire department's parcel tax. Measure S increased Shelter Cove's 24-year-old fire protection parcel tax from \$25/lot to a new three-tiered tax based on development type. This increase will provide the Shelter Cove Fire Department with the funding to meet the needs of a growing community well into the future. The Shelter Cove Fire Department worked for over 3 years to accomplish this goal. SCFD would like to thank the Shelter Cove community, RID, Humboldt County staff, and all the volunteers that spent hundreds of hours making this happen.

Challenges & Needs:

Some challenges we continue to have are convincing absentee property owners to reduce the fuel loads on the undeveloped lots and clean up and prevent illegal grows that become toxic dumps when abandoned.

Recruitment and retention of a new generation of volunteer firefighters is an ongoing challenge. In order to attract new volunteers, SCFD needs to continue to actively attract and recruit younger volunteers.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|---------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/Menace | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 16 | 4 | 11 | 6 | 70 | 5 | 63 | 3 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | 173 | |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 1411 | 2173 | 208 | 50 | 16 | | 1 | |

Sprowel Creek Volunteer Fire Company

Chief: Matt Kempe | 707-223-3399
Asst. Chief: Nate Kempe | 707-223-1070
President of the Board: Bruce Proctor | 707-223-1449

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Incorporated in 1998 as a non-profit corporation, the Sprowel Creek Volunteer Fire Company serves the Nielsen Ranch Subdivision in Garberville—a response area of 4 square miles. Our area of responsibility is rugged and isolated. To keep response times to a minimum, we presently maintain three separate, strategically located fire stations. Plans are in the works for adding one more fire station. Our response apparatus include: two 4WD fire engine pumpers, each with a 300-gallon capacity; two 2WD fire engine pumpers, with capacities of 350 and 700 gallons, and two newer 4WD trucks that work for rough terrain. The equipment is old but well-maintained. We fund ourselves by selling ice cream at Summer Arts Fair and Reggae on the River. We have 20+ active volunteer members.

| Incident Responses | | | | | |
|--------------------|----------|------------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------|
| Vegetation Fires | | Structural Fires | | Other Fires | |
| 0 | | 0 | | 0 | |
| | | | | Total Responses | 0 |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | Auxiliary |
| 0 | 240 | 240 | 1,032 | 20+ | 0 |

Telegraph Ridge Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: Peter Lawskey

Assistant Chief: Travis Strange

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In 2017, Telegraph Ridge Volunteer Fire Department put our newly acquired engine, 5539, into service. This 2007 International 500-gallon pumper was purchased with Measure Z funds. This engine seats five in the crew cab and is 4-wheel drive—a much needed feature in our rugged district with many steep, gravel or dirt roads. It is a perfect complement to our 4x4 quick attack trucks and our 2-wheel drive pumper. Five department members completed the Medical First Responder class in 2017, either as a recertification or for the first time.

Challenges & Needs:

The biggest issue facing the TRFPD is fundraising. To buy the school, we are committing, for a number of years, all the annual income our district receives through parcel fees and other consistent revenue. Operating expenses for the fire company will be paid through donations. The District Board and the fire company members are working on a variety of ways to raise funds.

We have succeeded in our efforts to buy the Ettersburg School property for the home of our new fire house. A tentative agreement has been reached with the Southern Humboldt Unified School District and a price of \$150,000 has been agreed on. The fire company meets and drills at the school, as pictured in the photos. We expect to break ground and start construction in spring, 2018.

Telegraph Ridge Fire Protection District, founded in 1988, is celebrating its 30th anniversary in 2018.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/Me nance | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 5 | - | 9 | 5 | 12 | 3 | 2 | 4 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | 40 | |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 345 | 715 | 70 | 410 | 12 | | 2 | |

Whale Gulch Volunteer Fire Company

Fire Chief: Mike Leskar
Asst. Chief: Kyle Umina
Administrator: Nancy Peregrine

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We are a bi-county department, with our response area covering a portion of both Mendocino & Humboldt Counties. Founded in 1973 (after the Finley Creek Fire), and trained in wildland fire hand line construction from our nearby Thorn CAL FIRE Station. Our equipment has evolved from a small toolshed in our community meadow, to a firehouse with three engines; two Type-3 engines, both carrying 500 gallons, and a new Quick Attack, which carries 280 gallons. Our new volunteers are catching up on their trainings, both medical & wildland firefighting. We look forward to a quiet summer and fall!

Challenges & Needs:

Unfortunately, the Measure Z tax doesn't benefit us, as it does our neighboring Southern Humboldt departments, so we continue to depend on the generosity of our own community and the greater community for purchasing wildland & structure gear necessities, and the many expenses of 100% volunteer fire departments. Remember to attend our two-day event at Four Corners on Sat. Sept 1 & Sun, Sept 2, 2018 – lots of food, music, and good company!

| Incident Responses | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 4 | 1 | | | 3 | - | 3 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | 11 |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fundraising | Volunteer | Auxiliary | |
| 150 | 150 | 75 | 250 | 20 | 0 | |

Whitethorn Volunteer Fire Department

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Whitethorn Fire Protection District is an all-volunteer department. We are located in the upper Mattole Valley and provide service to approximately 300 residents in our district.

Our department consists of 11 volunteers and 2 fire stations. Station #1 is located at 16312 Briceland Thorn Road. It houses a wildland Type-3 (E5331), a quick attack pickup (E5346), and a BLS/Rescue ambulance (R5370). Station #2 is located approximately 4 miles north at 498 Shelter Cove Road and houses a wildland Type-3 (E5330) and a 1000-gallon Type-2 pumper (E5320).

Challenges & Needs:

Some challenges are having enough volunteers to respond at any given time. The problem with having more volunteers is having the funds to outfit them properly. Thanks to Measure Z, outfitting volunteers and small departments with needed gear has helped improve safety and the financial strain we all face. Some needs are more volunteers and more specialized equipment (water tender, extrication tools, thermal imaging, etc.).

We are funded by district property tax, fundraising, and donations. Our annual Dinner & Dance fundraiser is held the third weekend in August.

This year, with the funds we have raised over the years, we will remodel and expand Station #1. Once this project is complete we will have the ability to store a water tender, which we would like to purchase in the near future.

| Incident Responses | | | | | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-------------|-------------------|-----------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Veg. Fires | Structure Fires | Other Fires | Vehicle Accidents | Medical | Hazmat/ Menace | Public Assistance | Other Services |
| 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Total Responses | | | | | | 13 | |
| Volunteer Hours | | | | Personnel | | | |
| Incident | Training | Maintenance | Fund-raising | Volunteer | | Auxiliary | |
| 75 | 350 | - | 200 | 11 | | 0 | |