



# Groveland Community Services District Fire Department / CAL FIRE

18966 Ferretti Road Groveland, CA 95321



Staff Report  
August 1, 2024

To: Board of Directors

From: Andy Murphy, Assistant Chief  
By: Travis Chunn, Fire Captain

Subject: Monthly Activity Report – July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024 – July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024

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## Operations:

On July 1st, 2024, at 10:57 PM, GCSO Engine-781 was dispatched with TCFD Engine-631 for a vehicle accident. Upon arrival, GCSO Engine-781 reported a single vehicle off the roadway and unstable on its side with one patient sustaining minor injuries. The Incident Commander conducted a thorough assessment of the scene, identifying the critical needs of patient management and vehicle stabilization.





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**Operations:**



On July 6, 2024, at 8:03 PM, GCSD Engine-781 and TCFD Engine-631 were dispatched to a vehicle accident on Priest Grade. Upon arrival, GCSD Engine-781 reported that a single vehicle was involved, and that the occupant had sustained minor injuries. Emergency personnel immediately began providing care for the injured individual and established traffic control to ensure scene safety. Resources at the scene worked collaboratively to manage the incident effectively and remained at scene until the vehicle was removed.





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**Operations:**

In the month of July GCSO supported the CAL FIRE State Mission with Assistance by Hire Fire Equipment (ABH) that responded to various emergency situations including vegetation fires, vehicle accidents and Out-of-County assignments staffed with State and TCFD personnel.



Engine-783 and an additional Fire Engine from the Groveland Forest Fire Station responded to a vehicle accident on the County line of Tuolumne and Mariposa. They provided critical support ensuring the safety of injured patients by providing Basic Life Support (BLS) Interventions.

Utility-786 is assigned to the Park Incident in Chico, California and was staffed by a Captain from TCFD. Providing oversight and management of the **Supply Unit**. The Supply Unit serves as the operational hub for the incident ensuring essential supplies and equipment are readily available for the assignment.





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## Apparatus and Equipment:

Apparatus	Description	Status
Engine 781	2009 Pierce Contender	In Service
Engine 787	2000 Freightliner FL112	In Service
Engine 783	1997 International Model 15	In Service
Utility 786	2008 Chevrolet 2500	In Service

## Training:

In addition to our monthly Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) curriculum and engine company performance standards, Battalion personnel received the following specialized training:

- FAE Santiago Martinez- Attended Instructor 1 in Riverside.
- FAE Rex Doo- Attended ICS 300 in Oakdale.
- FAE Herrera- Attended his final JAC class Company Officer 2C in Fresno.
- Patient Packaging with Motherlode Hand Crew
- High Pick Point Rope Anchor
- Administration of Narcan for Overdose Patients within Tuolumne County EMS Policy
- AED & Lucas Device
- Ladders
- Structure Fire Evolutions
- Vehicle Accident Rescue Extrication Equipment



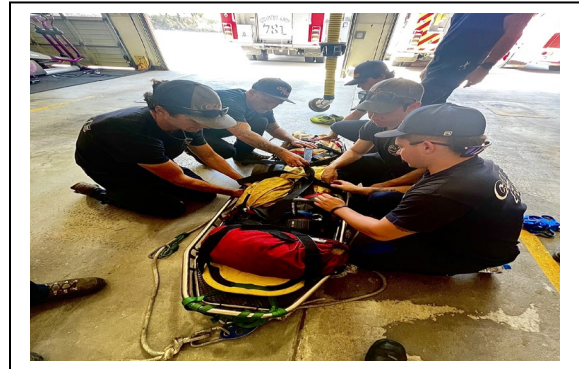
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**Training:**



In July, we conducted training with CAL FIRE Motherlode Crew 3 on Rope Rescue Operations, emphasizing fundamental tasks and responsibilities for beginners. Participants gained hands-on experience and knowledge essential for effective operations. This training aimed to enhance the crew's capability to perform safely and efficiently in Rope Rescue Scenarios.



As part of the three-year JAC program, FAE Herrera and FAE Martinez are required to pass both a first year and a third-year test. They have successfully completed their first-year test, which includes a comprehensive 100-question written exam, they also completed three Fire Apparatus Engineer skill assessments. Their successful completion of these requirements marks a significant milestone in their progression through the CALFIRE JAC Program.



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## Fire Department News:

GCSD Engine-781 and TCFD Engine-631 attended the CERT event hosted by Groveland CERT, where they reviewed and discussed emergency evacuation procedures for wildfire situations. They also presented the CAL FIRE 4291 program, which offered valuable insights on preparing and maintaining homes to improve safety during a wildfire.



GCSD Engine-781 and TCFD Engine-631 and two additional fire engines from the Groveland Forest Fire Station, staged at the fireworks show in PML July 7<sup>th</sup>. Units involved conducted patrols during and after the show to manage potential fires as a result from the fire work show.

GCSD Engine-781 and TCFD Engine-631 attended the grand opening of the new Rivian charging station on Main St. in Groveland. During the event, they discussed emergency and safety procedures tailored to Rivian vehicles with those in attendance. Additionally, a walkthrough of the new Rivian facility will be scheduled to develop a comprehensive pre-plan.



**MONTH - July 2024**

**STATION 78**

Alarm Sounding	1
Odor Investigation	0
Debris Fire	0
Medical Aid	32
Fire Menace Standby	0
Fire Other	0
Haz Mat	6
Landing Zone	3
Plane/Heli Crash	0
Public Assist	9
Smoke Check	2
Structure Fire	0
Commercial Structure Fire	0
Vegetation Fire	0
Vehicle Accident	3
Vehicle Accident/Pin in	0
Vehicle Fire	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>57</b>



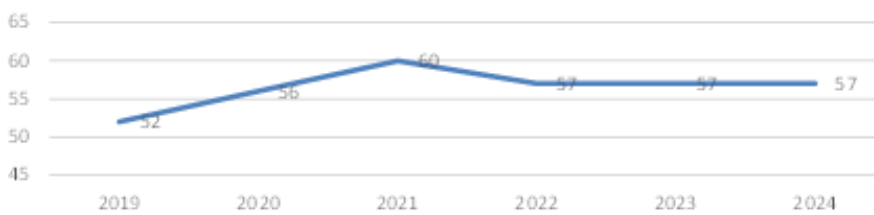
Auto Aid	Given
<b>Tuolumne County</b>	<b>2</b>
INC#8469 Fish Hatchery LZ INC#8833 Vehicle Accident Priest Grade  TCFD E-631: 34 Calls	

(55 calls in GCSO district, 2 call in Tuolumne County)

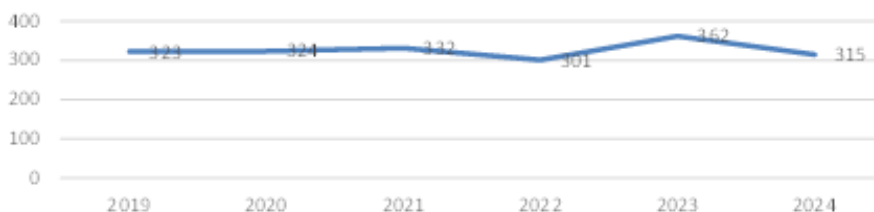
**Last Call Logged Run # 10212**

ALS	
YES	NO
22	11

**GCSO INCIDENTS JULY 2019-2024**



**GCSO TOTAL INCIDENTS YEAR-TO-DATE**



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July 16, 2024

Cal Fire  
18930 Highway 120  
Attn: Rene Herrera  
Groveland, CA. 95321


Dear Rene:

Thank you for taking the time and effort to submit your Rescue Award application on behalf of Cal Fire. Although we receive numerous reports of successful rescues using Paratech products, we never tire of this valuable input.

I have shared your stories with our manufacturing and assembly teams as part of a program to constantly reinforce our quality commitment to you. All of us at Paratech are constantly reminded of the importance of our products during a wide range of emergency incidents.

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Yours truly,

  
Kenneth E. Nielsen  
Chief Operating Officer  
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Paratech Rescue Awards, Patches and Chevrons



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**List Members that directly supervised, actually operated, or provided direct and tangible assistance to the operators of our products**

Engine-781

Rene Herrera Incident Commander (Fire Apparatus Engineer)

Santiago Martinez -Rescue Team (Fire Apparatus Engineer)

Engine-631

Richard Shade- Operations (Fire Captain)

Charles Sells-Rescue Team (Fire Apparatus Engineer)

**Indicate which of the five (5) Rescue Awards you are applying for**

Reduced or Prevented Bodily Injury

**Briefly describe the incident, and explain how you were assisted by Paratech equipment**

Upon arrival, the Incident Commander reported a vehicle overturned on its side and entangled in guide wires from a power pole, approximately 15-20 feet off the road. Precise actions with Paratech rescue tools successfully stabilized the vehicle, preventing further danger to both the occupants and the firefighters involved. One patient, who was trapped inside the vehicle, greatly benefited from the vehicle stabilization. This allowed the rescue team to safely cut out the windshield and facilitate the patient's exit without exacerbating bodily injuries.

Utilizing Paratech rescue tools in training, the transition was seamless during this critical incident.

This incident represented a significant rescue effort for the towing company, underscoring the excellent working relationship with all agencies involved, including the California Highway Patrol. This collaboration streamlined operations and contributed to the successful outcome.



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