Groveland Community Services District Fire Department / CALFIRE

18966 Ferretti Road Groveland, CA 95321

Staff Report

January 12, 2021

To:Board of DirectorsFrom:Andy Murphy, Assistant Chief
By: Jude R. Acosta, Battalion ChiefSubject:Monthly Activity Report – December 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020

Operations:

Emergency Incident Response:

On December 6, 2020, CAL FIRE and Groveland Fire units responded to a reported unattended escaped burn pile at the end of Hells Hollow Road. Upon arrival, there was a 20' X 20' pile of brush fully involved with fire that had spotted into the grass at a slow rate of spread. Fire crews aggressively attacked the fire containing it to a $\frac{1}{2}$ an acre. The cause of the fire is currently under investigation.

On December 13, 2020, CAL FIRE and Groveland Fire units responded to a vehicle fire on Old Priest Grade ¼ mile below Priest Station. Upon arriving at scene, there was a single vehicle in the eastbound lane on it's top fully involved with fire. Fire crews immediately assessed the three patients and extinguished the fire preventing any spread into the vegetation. Two patients were transported by paramedics with minor injuries to Adventist Health Sonora for further evaluation.

Apparatus and Equipment:

| Apparatus | Description | Status |
|-------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| Engine 781 | 2009 Pierce Contender | In Service |
| Engine 787 | 2000 Freightliner FL112 | In Service |
| Engine 783 | 1995 International Model 15 | In Service |
| Utility 786 | 2008 Chevrolet 2500 | In Service |

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Training:

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

- Multi-Purpose Device (MPD)
- Stokes and patient packaging
- New Employee Area Orientation
- Stair Chair
- CERT Online Training

New Equipment:

The Tuolumne County Fire Department has received CARES ACT funding for (6) LUCAS 3 devices at approximately \$16,000 each. The LUCAS 3 Device is a mechanical chest compression device that helps lifesaving teams around the world deliver high-quality, guideline-consistent chest compressions to sudden cardiac arrest patients; in the field, on the move and in the hospital. Groveland Fire has been selected to receive one of these devices based on the community demographic, call volume, and rural location.



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Fuel Reduction:

Groveland CAL FIRE engine crews along with the Baseline Dozer continue to work on the Wagner-Humbug Fuel Break. This 55-acre segment continues to build a defensible fuel break around the outlying communities of Groveland and Pine Mountain Lake. The masticated treatment area and bug kill removal will reinforce the Rim Truck Trail protecting the Big Humbug Creek watershed.





Crooks Logging has masticated over 43 acres thus far of the Jones Hill Fuel Break and will continue south of the Administrative Building. The map below illustrates segments completed.





