

Addressing Current and Future Fire/Emergency Services Demands on the Hwy 120 Corridor

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GCSD planned next steps from 2/17/2022 Workshop:

1. Request that Tuolumne County and GCSD enter into an Memorandum of Understanding (MOU/agreement to agree) to outline fire/emergency response responsibilities and timelines related to the increase of fire/emergency response resources on the highway 120 corridor. Key MOU content areas include:
 - a. Request that Tuolumne County establish fire/emergency response standards of coverage developed in cooperation with GCSD and other fire departments in the county, which will establish:
 - i. Emergency response time goals
 - ii. Station locations and staffing levels to achieve the adopted response standards
 - iii. Fire/Emergency services options such as Rapid Response Vehicle to optimize responses
 - iv. The operational and financial basis for service contracts and cost sharing agreements with fire departments, as well as inform the county's establishment of CFDs and development impact fees
 - b. Tuolumne County to establish means (such as a CFD and impact fees) to provide funding on new development toward capital cost of new facilities and

equipment, and to fund increases in staffing and operating costs

- c. Based on the adopted Standards of Coverage, establishment of agreement on whether:
 - i. the county will contract with GCSD for emergency response services and pay the cost of increased staffing and equipment, or
 - ii. the county will build and staff a fire station, or both
 - iii. a rapid response vehicle will be implemented and staffed and how the cost is funded among GCSD and the county