

CONTRA COSTA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

June 11, 2019

TO: Board of Directors

FROM: Lewis T. Broschard III, Fire Chief

RE: Fire Chief's Report

North Orinda Shaded Fuel Brake (NOSFB) Project. Work continues with the Moraga-Orinda FPD, Cal Fire, and other cooperators on logistics and planning. There is no start date for work to commence as of the date of this report.

- Fire Season. Crews continue their wildland training and preparations for fire season. In addition, our fire trail program has been working fire trail maintenance since early May, and personnel are out almost every day driving the trails; identifying issues to be addressed; and ensuring gates, locks, and signage are intact and operational. Heavy equipment, including our bulldozer and a rented motor grader, is used to modify or maintain the trails.
- New Fire Engines in Service. Two new wildland firefighting engines were placed into service in May at Fire Stations 85 (Pittsburg) and 83 (Antioch). These will help us improve fleet reliability and replace two 19-year-old engines that are well beyond their normal service life.



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- REACH Public Safety Helicopter Program. We continue to work on the implementation of the program with REACH. The tentative start date for the new program is August 1, 2019.
- Wildfire Evacuation Guide. The District worked with the Lafayette Police Department to publish the Lamorinda Wildfire Evacuation Guide on May 17, 2019. The guide was distributed to over 60,000 residents and made available on all the participating agency websites. The guide can be found at www.cccfpd.org/pdfs/Residents_Guide.pdf. We will be issuing a similar guide to be used throughout our Fire District in conjunction with many of our city partners.