



Caldor Fire Recovery Operations Center

TO: The Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Carla Hass

DATE: December 13, 2021

RE: Caldor Recovery update

Please accept this memo as an update to the activities surrounding the County of El Dorado's recovery from the Caldor Fire as managed by the Recovery Operations Center's (ROC) co-directors Sgt. Moke Auwae and me. All statistics are as of 2:00pm

Environmental Management:

Debris Clean up

- 754 ROE's have been accepted by the State for cleanup
- 27 applications have been received by EMD for the Private Program
- 22 Private Program work plans have been reviewed and approved by EMD, two have been returned to contractor/owner for corrections
- Five different contractors have submitted Private Program work plans
- Approximately 354 properties have had debris removed (285 last week)
- Approximately 131 of those have had clear soil samples (65 last week)
- The State began the hazard tree removal process Monday, December 6th
- Reached out to CalOES regarding onboarding special case commercial properties to the State program, EMD has drafted a special inclusion letter for commercial properties.
- On boarded two development aides to assist with Caldor Fire recovery operations, and is trying to hire three more for a total of five.

Abatement

- Staff staked a laminated copy of an Abatement Warning letter and information for the Public and Private Programs on 12/6 and 12/7 on 15 properties that hadn't been

entered into either the Public or Private Program.

- Abatement warning letters were sent to those 15 properties via USPS on 12/6 and 12/7 to coincide with the physical staking of the properties.
- As a result of the in-person conversations, staking and letters, there are currently seven properties identified as abatement properties.
 - 1 owner is deceased and
 - 3 properties are bank-owned
 - 2 properties are privately held
 - 1 is owned by a missing individual

Misc.

- ROC/EMD/County Counsel continues working with CalOES and the USFS to resolve debris removal on parcels on USFS land.

Health and Human Services:

Disaster Case Management

- The Small Business Administration has confirmed that they will stand up an office today or Tuesday, December 14th at Green Valley Community Church to scale an up to 8 week program that will target outreach to impacted businesses or homeowners. SBA will be providing low-interest disaster loans to help businesses and homeowners recover from declared disasters.
- Golden Sierra (our workforce development group) is still in the process of working through an application for State Additional Assistance Funding. If awarded, these funds will be used to provide employment related DCM services, connecting those served to employment opportunities as appropriate. Some additional services will include financial support services, mental health services, targeted job search, hiring incentives and training as necessary. Once awarded the funds should last a minimum of 18 months. As more details are provided, further updates will be provided.
- Specific to HHSA related needs, this week there have been no additional inquiries to our group email addresses.
- The BOS funded Housing Social Worker recruitment is closing this week and we hope to have 1st round interviews before the holidays. BH's Mental Health worker is routing in the NEOGOV approval process.
- Draft Agreement was sent to Salvation Army to act as our County's Disaster Case Management (DCM) team. Had we been provided Individual Assistance from FEMA, DCM would have been included.

Land Use

- The Building Department represented Planning & Building Department Director in the

Daily Caldor Fire OPS meetings.

- Meeting with Carla Hass and Moke Auwae to discuss the use of Demo Permits for Caldor Fire disaster and building code requirements.
- Building Department received a permit application for temporary maintenance building at Sierra-at-Tahoe Resort.
- Meeting with Fiscal Analyst, Planning, and Building to review fee waiver process for Caldor Fire Victims.
- Two meetings with multiple agencies and USFS to discuss clean-up alternates, permitting (possible use Ca. Title 25 Building Standards), and communications.
- Meeting with Building Department groups about temporary use of Grizzly Flat residence for Pioneer Fire Department use because Caldor Fire destruction of Fire Station.
- Conducting Planning Review of Demolition Permits
- Prepared revised urgency ordinance for 12-14-21 BOS to allow relocation of Community Services
- Processing Caldor Fee Waiver Applications
- Participated in Preliminary Discussions with OES, Pioneer Fire, and County Departments to discuss Pioneer Fire Station relocation potential.

Land Use, Tahoe:

- Conducted field tour of Grizzly Flat to finalize FEMA project requests
- Attended Caldor Fire - Road Damage Follow Up
- Discussed strategy to repair/maintain temporary BMPs in Caldor Fire area with Cal OES

El Dorado Irrigation District:

- Flumes 4, 5, 6 and 30 replacement
 - Reconstruction work is progressing on all four flumes with anticipated water up by mid-January 2022. Jenkinson Lake is continuing to serve most of EID's service area supported by additional water pumped from Folsom Reservoir.
- Hazard Tree Falling
 - EID has issued three contracts for hazard tree falling along impacted sections of the canal. Work is ongoing and scheduled to be complete by Christmas.
- Miscellaneous Damage – District crews are continuing to complete repairs to other facilities and equipment necessary for canal operation damaged by the fire.