



Caldor Fire Recovery Operations Center

TO: The Honorable Board of Supervisors
FROM: Carla Hass
DATE: April 4, 2022
RE: Caldor Recovery update

Please accept this memo as a weekly 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.

Environmental Management

- Alternate Program
 - No update from last week
- Public Program
 - 186 completed Full ROE final sign off
 - 58 Tree only final sign off
 - 2 of 3 Special Inclusion requests accepted by FEMA
 - 95% of all qualifying properties have been cleaned of debris
 - 85% of soil samples have been approved
 - 37% of tree felling complete
- Abatements
 - Received a 30-day extension for abatement warrants

Land Use

- Fee Waivers Stats
 - Total: 28
 - Approved: 23

- In process: 5
- The Building Department issued a certificate of occupancy on 3/29/2022 for the Pioneer Fire Department building at 515 Neil Street in Grizzly Flat.
- The Building Department has had an increase in Caldor Fire permit activity on 16 permits:
 - 4 new RV permit applications and 2 RV permits issued
 - 2 single family permit applications
 - 7 permits were issued over the counter for electric service panels plus one temporary electric service panel

Health and Human Services Agency

- Long Term Recovery Group:
 - April 10th next distribution event. Following the distribution event, Northern California Legal Aid will be doing a Zoom presentation from 4:30 PM- 5:30 PM about rights for insurance and tax filing. The presentation will be recorded.
 - The May distribution event will be held on May 15th.
 - Amy Mefford with the Salvation Army did a presentation on Disaster Case Management. Their full time caseworkers started 3/29 at the Cameron Park library.
- The El Dorado Community Foundation has received \$4.2M and \$2.2M has been dispersed to date.
- Sierra SBDC (Small Business Development Center) has available a low-interest federal disaster loans <https://www.sierrasbdc.com/2021/08/26/sba-wildfire-relief>.
- New Morning is putting together a proposal for the Community Foundation to provide children's mental health services to Union Mine and Pioneer Unified students.
- Immediate Needs
 - Kathi Guerrero did an overview of the UniteUs referral system.
 - April 30th is the Food Bank distribution/support event. All programs are welcome and encouraged to participate.
- Social Worker
 - Caldor Housing Social Worker should begin their role May 9th, assuming background process moves through without any issues.
- Mental Health Worker
 - Mental Health Worker interviews will be held next Monday as the timeslots allowed for all applicants to be interviewed that day.

EDWA Support to County

- No update from last week

Resource Conservation District (RCD)

- Acquired forestry team, Environmental Consulting team and GIS specialist under the Emergency Forest Restoration Team program.

Miscellaneous

- Preparing for a late-April Community meeting to update residents and answer questions as needed on the recovery process. Details to follow.
- As of this writing, 1,064 people have signed the petition to persuade President Biden to provide FEMA's Individual Assistance to survivors.
- Filming of the video appeal to President Biden to provide Individual Assistance to survivors continues.