

Fire Chiefs' Fire Service Working Group

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Objective:

Efficient, Effective, and Sustainable county-wide fire delivery system

To: Sonoma County Fire Chiefs' Association
Sonoma County Fire Districts' Association
Sonoma County Fire Fighters Labor Groups and Associations

The FSWG will continue to provide updates at the SCFCA and Districts Assn meetings, and through email blasts when there are significant milestones in this project. Following are some highlights since our previous update:

- Feasibility Study: The consultants delivered the final results presentation Thursday. The presentation will be shared at the next Chief's Association Mtg. Topline results are consistent at 65% support. With the potential Jarvis legislation (retroactively requiring a greater than 2/3 vote of support) not polling well, we are well positioned to pass a citizen's-based ballot initiative which would require a simple majority. There will also be an agenda item at the Chief's Association Mtg. to discuss and decide on moving forward with the tax measure. We continue to simultaneously work on the Standards of Cover Draft as well as on potential governance models with our attorney and consultants.
- Zone Reviews: Below are the dates for the remaining Zone reviews:
 - 4/6 10:00am: Zone 9
 - o 4/13 Zone 7

11:00am: Zone 3

4/20 – 10:00am: Zone 1: CALFIRE labor

11:00am: Zone 2: County - PRMD & DEM

- Fire Ad Hoc & CAO: The team met with the Fire Ad Hoc (Lynda Hopkins & David Rabbitt) and the new CAO, Christina Rivera. The team shared the current measure status and topline poll results. The Supervisors asked questions and expressed support for the measure. There will be another check-in in 4-6 weeks.
- LAFCO: The Gold Ridge SOI and application hearing is on the April 5th agenda. Fire Service support for this item is much appreciated.

Please reach out to a FSWG representative if you have any questions.