



EAST FORK FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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Regarding: FY 2018/19 Tentative Budget for the East Fork Fire Protection District

To Whom It May Concern,

Attached please find the FY 2018/19 Tentative Budget for the East Fork Fire Protection District. The budget supports 71 employed personnel, 8 volunteer fire departments, administration, all fire suppression, emergency medical services, training and safety, technical rescue needs, hazardous materials response and fire prevention.

This budget follows the guidelines established by the East Fork Fire Protection District Board of Directors and as provided for in NRS 474. The Tentative Budget includes a 1.5% contingency and a 15.5% ending fund balance. The tax rate of .4874 is being used for ad valorem purposes. This will be the second year the East Fork Fire Protection District will be governed as a separate entity with its independent board and not as a component unit of Douglas County government.

The perpetuation and retention of our volunteer system continues to be a significant challenge. Employed staff, which fall under contracts per NRS 288, recently completed a three year labor contract negotiation with the District.

The District provides one of the most progressive and complete firefighter training programs within the state. Training offerings include all entry level logistical and support training for our volunteers and supports specialized, recertification, and routine training for career state. The District now participates in a regional training academy for all of its new employees.

Increases in Ambulance User Fees and Fire and Life Safety Plan Review Fees have been included in the revenue estimates. The District will also be making its ninth out of ten annual payments on its District Office facility. Additional funding is being dedicated to capital maintenance and acquisition this year.

Under an inter-local agreement, the Fire District provides Douglas County with Emergency Management Services. Funding provided by Douglas County for this obligation is included in the District's budget and is now a key revenue source. The current arrangement works well for both the District and the County with respect to levels of service provided, including 24 hour on-call responsibilities of the District's Chief Fire Officers.

The staff and administration of the East Fork Fire Protection District look forward to serving the community in the year ahead.

Sincerely,


Tod F. Carlini, District Fire Chief