



KENSINGTON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

DATE: February 19, 2025
TO: Board of Directors
RE: Emergency Preparedness Committee Meeting - 1/23/25
SUBMITTED BY: Mary A. Morris-Mayorga, General Manager

Recommended Action

For information only, no action is required.

Background

The Emergency Preparedness Committee met on January 23, 2025 and discussed the following topics:

- Discuss draft 2025 EPC Work Plan
The committee discussed the draft work plan as included in the packet and revised for Board approval at the February 19, 2025 meeting.
- Engaging volunteers and brief outline of Volunteer Policy for Board approval
This policy is being developed as recommended by County Risk Management and best practice which will include: general – purpose, definitions, and risk management/liability language; process/procedures -application/form(s).
- Review draft project list for Community Wildfire Defense Grant 2024 (FY25)
The Community Wildfire Defense Grant 2024 (FY25) West is open for applications and staff is in the process of identifying eligible projects which are described in the 2017 [El Cerrito - Kensington Wildfire Action Plan](#): maintaining defensible space; public outreach-EP coordinator
- Bay Area Urban Areas Security Initiative
Member Gluck provided an email from this group noting it may be beneficial to the committee to outreach with other groups. Her email will be forwarded to the committee.
- Discuss Los Angeles fires and lessons learned or ideas on what Kensington can do to prepare
The committee discussed and will incorporate this into the work plan.
- Launch campaign to aggressively promote Kensington resident enrollment in Nixle and correspondingly, solicit a KPD/KFD commitment to establish protocols for using this system in emergency situations
There was not enough time to discuss so this will be placed on a future meeting agenda.
- Promote use of the Watch Duty app for timely information about local wildfire activity
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Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact identified at this time.