

# Auburn Fire Department

## Bi-Monthly Executive Summary

September - October 2020

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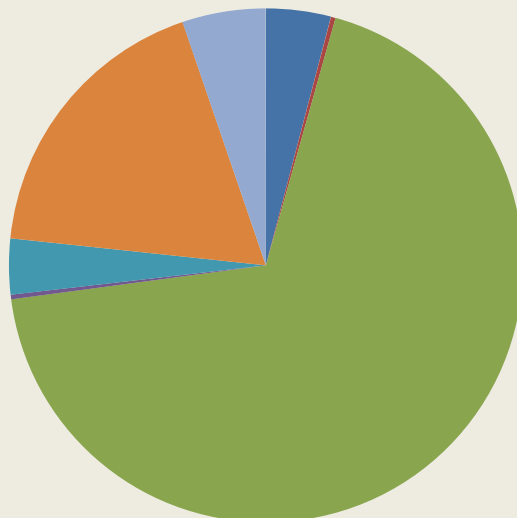
Current ISO Rating: 3

### News & Events

- An update on Fuel Reduction:** The Auburn Shaded Fuel Break “Phase 2” began on October 1<sup>st</sup> in the South Auburn area bordering Blackstone Court/Eagles nest. They will be moving to the North Side of Highway 49 across from Murphy’s Gate next. The Auburn Fire Department continues to capture grant funding for fuel reduction recently clearing 9 acres with \$49,500 in the Eagles Nest area. Another \$49,500 grant was awarded for additional acreage to be cleared in the Aeolia Heights area. Both Grants were awarded through the Placer County Middle Fork Fuel Reduction Program.
- Strike Team Deployments:** B1217, E1271, & E1272 completed their deployments to the North Complex and returned to Auburn on September 27<sup>th</sup>.
- Intern Firefighters:** Three new Intern Firefighters started in September. Each shift received one Intern Firefighter and they have been assigned to Station 2.
- AFG COVID Grant:** AFD received \$2,041 in grant funding to purchase decontamination equipment. The equipment will be housed at the Corp Yard and ready for use soon to help combat COVID-19.
- Red Flag Warning Program:** In collaboration with Placer County OES, Auburn Fire Department has launched a new Red Flag Warning Awareness Program. Red Flags will be posted at all Auburn Fire Department stations and City Hall on red flag warning days to alert residents to times of elevated wildfire risk.

### Update on Response

Bi-Monthly Incident Summary	Fire	Over-Pressure	EMS/Rescue	Hazmat	Service Call	Good Intent	False Call	Natural Disaster	Other	Total
7/1/20 – 8/31/20	14	1	235	1	12	62	18	0	0	343



- 1 - Fire: 4.08%
- 2 - Overpressure Rupture Explosion, Overheat (no fire): 0.29%
- 3 - Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident: 68.51%
- 4 - Hazardous Condition (no fire): 0.29%
- 5 - Service Call: 3.5%
- 6 - Good Intent Call: 18.08%
- 7 - False Alarm & False Call: 5.25%
- 8 - Natural Disaster 0.0%
- 9 - Special/Other Type 0.0%

## **Significant Emergency Incidents**

### **Agency Assist**

**West and East Bound I-80 East of Elm Avenue, October 14<sup>th</sup>** – At 20:00 CALFIRE U2399 advised Grass Valley Command Center of debris on I-80 blocking multiple west bound lanes of traffic at Highway 49. B1215 and E1285 responded to the incident and found CHP out with a tractor-trailer that lost a large portion of its foam insulation load just east of Elm Avenue. The foam insulation was scattered across all west and east bound lanes of I-80 and created a significant traffic hazard. CHP and CALTRANS handled the clean-up. APD and Public Works were advised.

Incident Command: Chief Rogers B1215  
Auburn Fire Personnel: (A-Shift) 4  
Automatic / Mutual Aid: 1

### **Vehicle Accident**

**Non-Injury Vehicle Accident into Building, 1583 Lincoln Way, October 19<sup>th</sup>** – At 14:07 Auburn Fire Department responded to a non-injury vehicle accident for a vehicle into the building at 1583 Lincoln Way. Battalion 1216, Engines 1284, 1285, Rescue 1252 and Cal Fire Truck 180 arrived to find three vehicles involved with one vehicle into the building causing structural damage. Building official Jon May was called out to the scene to assist. Fire units constructed temporary shoring columns, the Building Department deemed the structure safe for occupancy, but red tagged the side walk and vehicle parking spaces that were in the immediate area of the temporary shoring. The building was released to the owner and they were advised to have an engineer evaluate the building and obtain proper permits before the sidewalk and overhang could reopen.

Incident Command: Chief D'Ambrogi B1216  
Auburn Fire Personnel: (B-Shift) 8  
Automatic / Mutual Aid: CAL-FIRE, Truck 180

### **Automatic Aid to CAL FIRE, Vehicle Accident**

**West Bound I-80 East of the Highway 193 Off-Ramp, October 22<sup>nd</sup>** – At 07:11 Auburn Fire Department was dispatched automatic aid to CALFIRE/Placer County Fire for a reported vehicle accident with fire in the area of west bound I-80 and the Highway 193 off-ramp. B1215 and E1285 arrived at scene and found a non-injury vehicle accident at the reported location. The accident caused high voltage power lines to fall across and completely block all lanes of I-80. A fully involved vehicle fire and 1 acre vegetation fire resulted from the vehicle accident. Traffic was stopped on I-80 for approximately 4.5 hours and significantly impacted the City of Auburn while the incident was mitigated.

Incident Command: CALFIRE  
Auburn Fire Personnel: (A-Shift) 5  
Automatic / Mutual Aid: AFD Provided Automatic Aid to CALFIRE  
Fire Cause: Vehicle Accident/Downed Power Lines

### **Automatic Aid to Newcastle Fire District, RV Fire**

**Behind 10900 Sunrise Ridge Circle, Newcastle Fire District, October 30<sup>th</sup>** – At 08:35 Battalion 1216, Engines 1284, and 1285 responded to a reported vegetation fire behind 10900 Sunrise Ridge Circle. Engine 1284 arrived at scene and reported a fully involved RV behind the reported address with an immediate threat to vegetation and structures around Sunrise Ridge Circle. Battalion 1216 determined the fire was located in Newcastle Fire District and notified their Battalion. Engines 1284 and 1285

extinguished the fire with assistance from Cal Fire Engines 2351, 2361 and Newcastle E41. The fire was contained to the area of the RV with no extension into the vegetation or damage to structures.

Incident Command: Chief D’Ambrogi B1216  
 Auburn Fire Personnel: (B-Shift) 8  
 Automatic / Mutual Aid: AFD provided to Newcastle Fire District  
 Fire Cause: Under investigation by Newcastle Fire Personnel

## **Prevention: Yearly Totals**

### **Vegetation Management**

Complaint Generated Parcels	Complaint Parcels Evaluated	Parcels Notified	Compliance	Pending w/Action Started	Compliance %	Acres Treated
65	65	65	31	34	48%	51

### **Wildland Urban Interface Mailers**

Mailers Sent	Mailers Received	In Compliance	Need Follow Up
3515	763	602	161

### **Business Inspections**

State Mandated	Properties Inspected	In Compliance	Pending Re-Inspection	Total Inspection Hours	Plans Reviewed	Burn Permits Issued
71	57	40	16	50	21	-

## **Operations**

### **Training: Bi-monthly**

Total Trainings Completed	Total Hours of Training	JAC Reimbursable Hours	Trainings Provided to Community	Certifications Achieved by Staff
513	1217	997.5	0	13

## Incidents: Yearly Totals

2020 Running Incident Total	Fire	Over-Pressure	EMS/Rescue	Hazmat	Service Call	Good Intent	False Call	Natural Disaster	Other	Total
1/1/20 – 10/31/20	60	6	1115	26	101	289	104	2	2	1705

## Public Education: Yearly Totals

Community Events	Station Tours	School Safety Programs	Structure Ignition Assessments	Number of Adult Participants	Number of Child Participants	Public Education Hours
13	4	0	17	2591	1431	93.25

- September 2<sup>nd</sup> – Battalion Chief Rogers attended the monthly Auburn Aviation Association meeting.
- September 12<sup>th</sup> – B-Shift attended the Relay for Life Cancer walk in Central Square
- September 14<sup>th</sup> – Captain Davis and E1285 provided fire safety and egress education to residents of Eagles Nest and Blue Wing Place.
- October 7<sup>th</sup> – Battalion Chief Rogers attended the monthly Auburn Aviation Association meeting.
- October 7<sup>th</sup> - Captain Davis educated an aspiring firefighter looking to start a career in the fire service and scheduled a post-COVID ride-a-long.
- October 12<sup>th</sup> – Battalion Chief D’Ambrogi met with Placer Land Trust at the ASFB and Middle Fork Project Grant Fuel Reduction site.
- October 13<sup>th</sup> – Battalion Chief D’Ambrogi met with the Southridge HOA at their vegetation management site and discussed work plan recommendations.
- October 15<sup>th</sup> – Battalion Chief Rogers attended the monthly Auburn Aviation Association Airport Advisory Committee meeting.
- October 18<sup>th</sup> – Battalion Chief D’Ambrogi met with interested parties of 710 Auburn Ravine Road and discussed/provided education on Defensible Space and vegetation management.
- October 23<sup>rd</sup> – Battalion Chief Zaucha, E1285 & E1284 attended National Night Out to educate the public on fire equipment and helped APD hand out hot dogs!
- October 30<sup>th</sup> – Battalion Chief D’Ambrogi attended the ASFB site in China Bar with representatives of BOR and RCD to discuss the progress of the ASFB
- October 30<sup>th</sup> – (B-Shift) Engines 1284 and 1285 handed out candy in the Old Town and Downtown Business Districts during the Business Trick or Treat event handing out over 2000 pieces of candy!