

Escalon Consolidated Fire
Protection District

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Board of Directors

Joe Camara, Board Chairperson
Jason Koops, Vice Chairperson
Mikey Schilber, Secretary
Zach Hogan, Director
Steven Gregg, Director

Rick Mello, Fire Chief

Post Date: December 9, 2024

Board of Directors Meeting
1540 Second Street, Escalon, CA 95320
December 12, 2024, at 12 P.M.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
- II. SWEAR IN LAURA CATRINA – ELECTED DIRECTOR
JASON KOOPS – ELECTED DIRECTOR

III. ROLL CALL

Joe Camara, Board Chairperson
Jason Koops, Vice Chairperson
Mickey Schilber, Secretary
Zach Hogan, Director
Steven Gregg, Director

Incoming Board
Joe Camara
Laura Catrina
Zach Hogan
Jason Koops
Mickey Schilber

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

This time is provided for the public to address the Board of Directors on items not on the Agenda which are within the jurisdiction of the Board and are offered for the good of the District. Public comments regarding items on the Agenda should be given at the time of the item. Public comments are limited to 5 minutes per person.

V. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on November 14, 2024.

VI. BILLS

Bills for the month of November in the amount of \$69,287.58.

VII. COMMUNICATIONS

VIII. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

IX. OLD BUSINESS

A. 2 x 2 Committee with City

Presented by: Rick Mello, Fire Chief and Joe Camara, Board Chairperson
Requested Action / Purpose: Consider Appointment to Future Committee
Attachments:

B. House Paging System

Presented by: Rick Mello, Fire Chief
Requested Action / Purpose: Utilize Surplus ARPA Funds Plus District Funds
Attachments:

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. District Governance Model

Presented by: Rick Mello, Fire Chief and Joe Camara, Board Chairperson
Requested Action / Purpose: Consider Committee
Attachments: Letter 'Request to Initiate Negotiations for Contractual Fire Services or
Change in Organization Before the Stanislaus County or San Joaquin
County LAFCO'

B. Supervisor Robert Rickman

Presented by: Supervisor Robert Rickman
Requested Action / Purpose:
Attachments:

XI. ACCOUNCEMENTS OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Board meetings are held the second Thursday of every month at 4:00 p.m. located at 1531 1st Street, Escalon, California. The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors is January 09, 2025.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

A. No Closed Session

XIII. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

XIV. ANNOUNCEMENTS FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

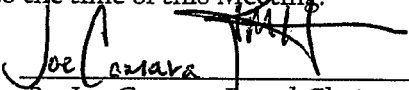
The Board President, Fire Chief or District Counsel will notify the public regarding any reportable action taken during closed session.

XV. ADJOURN

XVI. CERTIFICATION

I, Joe Camara, Board Chairperson for the Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District, do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Agenda was posted at the District Office, 1749 Coley Avenue, Escalon, California 95320 at least 72 hours prior to the time of this Meeting.

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By: Joe Camara, Board Chairperson

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ESCALON CONSOLIDATED FIRE
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BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MINUTES
NOVEMBER 2024

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The monthly Board of Directors meeting of the Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District was called to order by Director Joe Camara at 3:59 p.m. on November 14, 2024.

II. ROLL CALL

Directors present: Joe Camara, Jason Koops, Mickey Schilber, Zach Hogan, and Steven Gregg

Staff Present: Fire Chief Rick Mello, and Administrative Assistant Katy House.

Public Present: Laura Catrina, Paul Rivera, and Tyler Lucas.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

A. Vice President Paul Rivera from Oakdale Fire Protection District presented district board a letter to 'Request to Initiate Negotiations for Contractual Fire Services or Change of Organization Before the Stanislaus County or San Joaquin County LAFCO'.

IV. MINUTES

Minutes for the meeting on October 10, 2024, were approved on a motion by Director Schilber and a second by Director Hogan.
5-AYES 0-NAYES 0-ABSENT

V. BILLS

October bills in the amount of \$29,821.96 were approved to be paid on a motion by Director Gregg and a second by Director Koops.
5-AYES 0-NAYES 0-ABSENT

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. Vice President Paul Rivera from Oakdale Fire Protection District presented district board a letter to 'Request to Initiate Negotiations for Contractual Fire Services or Change of Organization Before the Stanislaus County or San Joaquin County LAFCO'.

VII. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT – November 2024

A. Status of Fire Department

- a. 117 calls for the month and 1,019 for 2024.

B. Training

a. October Drills

10-1-24	Confined Space Rescue	(13 participants)
10-9-24	Heavy Rescue Drill	(12 participants)
10-17-24	Drafting and Portable Tank Operations	(11 participants)

We have 3 reserve candidates in backgrounds and medicals. We hope to have them ready to go by the first of the year.

With the national fire reporting changing from NFIRS (National Fire Incident Reporting System) to NERIS (National Emergency Response Information System) our current software does not meet the standards. We have been forced to change vendors from Emergency Reporting to ESO.

No new business from the FIU.

We held Fill the Boot on October 26th and 27th and brought in around \$21,000 for the Burn Foundation.

C. Prevention

Fire Prevention: Our annual Smoke Detector program has launched, and residents are being visited this month.

No new developments have been submitted to the City and there hasn't been a Planning Commission meeting in six months.

D. Apparatus and Equipment

- Annual pump testing was completed by Burton's Fire.
- Two new batteries were installed on Brush 1-1.
- Siren on E 1-1 was sent in, repaired and reinstalled.

E. Buildings and Grounds

- Nothing to report.

F. San Joaquin County Fire Chief's Association

- Meeting 11-6-24, general business (unable to attend).

G. San Joaquin County Radio Users Group

- Meeting 10-16-24, general business (hosted at EFD).

H. Miscellaneous

- Fill-the-Boot for Burns was held October 26 and 27. Over \$21,000.00 was raised for the Firefighters Burn Institute.
- On November 1, Escalon Fire personnel attended "Coffee with a Cop" at McDonald's.
- Escalon Fire took part in the Veteran's Day parade on November 11.
- The annual Christmas toy drive will begin on November 18, with distribution of the collection boxes. The giveaway will take place on December 19.
- Thank you to outgoing Director Steve Gregg for his service to the District.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Report on Meeting with Escalon High School First Responder Instructor.

- a. Fire Chief, Rick Mello met with High School Fire Responder Instructor, Seth Davis to discuss a future program.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2 x 2 Committee with City

- a. Chairperson Joe Camara appointed himself and Vice Chairperson Jason Koops to the 2 x 2 committee.

B. House Paging System

- a. Approved utilizing the remaining ARPA fund for re-imburement and not to exceed \$30,000.00 from Capital Expenses for the House Paging System project on a motion by Director Schilber and a second by Director Koops.
5-AYES 0-NAYES 0-ABSENT

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8:53 AM Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District
 12/09/24 Profit & Loss Detail
 Cash Basis November 2024

Type	Date	Name	Memo	Original Amo...	Paid Amo...	Balance
Ordinary Income/Expense						
Income						
County Fire Facility Fees						
Deposit	11/18/2024	County of San Joaquin	COUNTY FIRE FACILITY FEES	308.26	308.26	308.26
Deposit	11/18/2024	County of San Joaquin	COUNTY FIRE FACILITY FEES	265.72	265.72	573.98
Total County Fire Facility Fees						
Fill the Boot						
Check	11/18/2024	Firefighter Burn Institute	FILL THE BOOT - VENMO DONATIONS TRANSFER FROM CAPIT...	-396.00	-396.00	-396.00
Deposit	11/18/2024	Donation	FILL THE BOOT DONATIONS CASH	20,758.50	20,758.50	20,362.50
Check	11/19/2024	Firefighter Burn Institute	FILL THE BOOT DONATIONS CASH	-20,758.50	-20,758.50	-396.00
Total Fill the Boot						
Fire Recovery Fee						
Deposit	11/18/2024	Fire Recover USA, LLC	ESCALON CON 03/22/2024	438.00	438.00	438.00
Total Fire Recovery Fee						
Memorial Deposit						
Deposit	11/18/2024	Barton Ranch, Inc.	DONATION	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Deposit	11/18/2024	Misc.	DONATION	1,000.00	1,000.00	2,000.00
Total Memorial Deposit						
Property Tax						
Deposit	11/18/2024	County of San Joaquin	PROPERTY TAX	474.00	474.00	474.00
Total Property Tax						
Total Income						
Expense						
Capital Expense						
Bill	11/26/2024	HATHAWAY FIRE L...	23 ROLLS DB JCKT WHITE FIRE HOSE	5,884.78	5,884.78	5,884.78
Total Capital Expense						
Communications						
Bill	11/07/2024	GoTo Communications...	MONTHLY SERVICES	407.37	407.37	407.37

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Bill	11/18/2024	AT&T MOBILITY	MONTHLY SERVICE	40.24	40.24	447.61
Bill	11/18/2024	Joint Radio Users Gro...	DISPATCH FEE W/OEMS, DISPATCH FEE W/EEMS, MEMBER FEE, ...	2,167.73	2,167.73	2,615.34
Bill	11/26/2024	Joint Radio Users Gro...	DISPATCH FEE W/OEMS, DISPATCH FEE W/EEMS, MEMBER FEE, ...	2,875.73	2,875.73	5,491.07
Total Communications						
Fire Prevention						
Check	11/06/2024	Amazon	RE-IMBURSE IN ERRANT	16.86	16.86	16.86
Check	11/06/2024	Amazon	RE-IMBURSE IN ERRANT	49.34	49.34	66.20
Check	11/12/2024	Amazon	RE-IMBURSE IN ERRANT	5.44	5.44	71.64
Check	11/12/2024	Amazon	RE-IMBURSE IN ERRANT	16.16	16.16	87.80
Check	11/13/2024	Amazon	RE-IMBURSE IN ERRANT	30.44	30.44	118.24
Check	11/14/2024	Amazon	RE-IMBURSE IN ERRANT	43.49	43.49	161.73
Check	11/14/2024	Amazon	RE-IMBURSE IN ERRANT	43.49	43.49	205.22
Total Fire Prevention						
Firefighter Safety Gear						
Bill	11/07/2024	SeaWestern, Inc.	REMOVAL OF TAIL FROM COAT CHANGE VIERA TO VIERRA;	41.07	41.07	41.07
Bill	11/07/2024	Bauer Compressors	TURNOUT COAT AND PANT	3,060.10	3,060.10	3,101.17
Total Firefighter Safety Gear						
Fuel						
Credit...	11/05/2024	H & M Market	FUEL	37.00	37.00	37.00
Credit...	11/12/2024	H & M Market	FUEL	37.00	37.00	74.00
Bill	11/18/2024	Valley Pacific Petroleum...	FUEL	1,170.97	1,170.97	1,244.97
Bill	11/26/2024	Valley Pacific Petroleum...	FUEL	558.14	558.14	1,803.11
Total Fuel						
Health Insurance						
Bill	11/18/2024	CaliforniaChoice Bene...	DECEMBER 2024	13,506.09	13,506.09	13,506.09
Bill	11/18/2024	Sun Life Financial	DECEMBER 2024	151.24	151.24	13,657.33
Total Health Insurance						
Household						
Check	11/01/2024	Walmart	HS TRUNK OR TREAT - 7 X HALLOWEEN CANDY	103.90	103.90	103.90
Check	11/04/2024	Amazon	MICROFIBER MOP FLOOR CLEANING SYSTEM	29.08	29.08	132.98

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Bill	11/07/2024	Strand Ace Hardware I...	ALL PUR CLNR LVNDR	10.33	10.33	143.31
Bill	11/07/2024	Strand Ace Hardware I...	COFFEEMAKER	140.06	140.06	283.37
Bill	11/07/2024	Hiresafe Background S...	3X EMPLOYEE SCREENINGS	186.40	186.40	469.77
Bill	11/07/2024	Brady Industries	6X BOWL CLNR	21.78	21.78	491.55
Bill	11/07/2024	Brady Industries	2X GAL DISH SOAP	47.96	47.96	539.51
Bill	11/07/2024	Brady Industries	1 CS LAUNDRY DETERGENT	126.61	126.61	666.12
Check	11/07/2024	Mar-Val Main Street ...	CHIEF MELLO CAKE	14.99	14.99	681.11
Check	11/13/2024	DELUXE	1000 X GENERAL ACCNT CHECKS	422.23	422.23	1,103.34
Bill	11/18/2024	Brady Industries	1 CS TOWEL ROLL; 1 CS TOILET PAPER; 12 25LB ABSORBENT	339.60	339.60	1,442.94
Bill	11/18/2024	Strand Ace Hardware I...	20PK AA BATTERIES	47.54	47.54	1,490.48
Bill	11/18/2024	Alhambra	STATION WATER	122.91	122.91	1,613.39
Bill	11/18/2024	Strand Ace Hardware I...	TOY DRIVE - GLUE GUN; SPADE BIT; CONSTRUCTION GLUE; EL...	79.26	79.26	1,692.65
Total Household						
Insurance Casualty						
Bill	11/07/2024	Cromwell & Ney	COMMERCIAL PACKAGE RENEWAL	29,883.59	29,883.59	29,883.59
Total Insurance Casualty						
Maintenance						
BC 1-1						
Bill	11/26/2024	O'Reilly Automotive, I...	1 PK - 2 X BRAKE LIGHT BULBS	8.23	8.23	8.23
Total BC 1-1						
E 1-1						
Bill	11/07/2024	B & M SIREN	SIREN REPAIR	320.74	320.74	320.74
Total E 1-1						
Maintenance - Other						
Bill	11/07/2024	Burton's Fire, Inc.	PUMP TEST	2,625.00	2,625.00	2,625.00
Total Maintenance - Other						
Total Maintenance						
Maintenance Structure & Grounds						
Bill	11/12/2024	Aerial Inspection Servi...	GOUND LADDERS	292.00	292.00	292.00

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Total Maintenance Structure & Grounds						
Memberships						
Check	11/19/2024	California Employers ...	2025 EMPLOYMENT LAW POSTER	37.66	37.66	37.66
Total Memberships						
Office Expenses						
Check	11/04/2024	STAPLES	1 X PEN; LAMINATOR; 1 BX LAMINATING SHEETS; 500 CRTN CU...	213.39	213.39	213.39
Bill	11/07/2024	Warden's	2025 APPT BOOK	28.03	28.03	241.42
Bill	11/07/2024	Power Business Techn...	BLK 584; CLR 705	42.45	42.45	283.87
Bill	11/07/2024	Lynn Card Company	100 CHRISTMAS CARDS	119.00	119.00	402.87
Bill	11/18/2024	Toshiba Financial Serv...	MONTHLY COPIER LEASE	199.34	199.34	602.21
Check	11/22/2024	Amazon	1 RLL - TRANSFER TAPE; 4 X PAPER; 6 X COFFEE CREAMER; 1 X ...	165.86	165.86	768.07
Check	11/25/2024	Strand Ace Hardware I...	2 X COMMAND HOOKS	12.91	12.91	780.98
Bill	11/26/2024	Warden's	1 REAM WHITE CARDSTOCK; HANGING WALL FILE CLEAR	37.68	37.68	818.66
Total Office Expenses						
Professional Services						
Bill	11/07/2024	Auriga Technology, LLC	MONTHLY SERVICES	741.20	741.20	741.20
Check	11/26/2024	WIX.COM	WEBSITE YEARLY PREMIUM PLAN 24-25	348.00	348.00	1,089.20
Total Professional Services						
Small Tools & Equipment						
Check	11/04/2024	Amazon	LATEX GLOVE BOX HOLDER FOR ENGINE	24.77	24.77	24.77
Check	11/04/2024	Amazon	DYNAREX EMERGENCY HIGHWAY BLANKET	101.27	101.27	126.04
Bill	11/26/2024	Life-Assist	1 PK - LUCAS SUCTION CUP 3PK	231.49	231.49	357.53
Total Small Tools & Equipment						
Training & Transportation						
Bill	11/07/2024	Strand Ace Hardware I...	FIU - 4 CU PIPE; PUTTY KNIFE; 2X CAP	11.52	11.52	11.52
Check	11/18/2024	Amazon	TRAINING	53.76	53.76	65.28
Total Training & Transportation						
Utilities						
Bill	11/07/2024	Gilton Solid Waste	MONTHLY SERVICE	126.77	126.77	126.77

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Bill	11/07/2024	City of Escalon	MONTHLY SERVICE	216.03	216.03	342.80
Bill	11/07/2024	PG&E 2	STATION 2	81.58	81.58	424.38
Check	11/13/2024	Conexwest	MONTHLY STORAGE CONTAINER LEASE	85.12	85.12	509.50
Bill	11/18/2024	PG&E 1	STATION 1	1,031.74	1,031.74	1,541.24
Bill	11/18/2024	DIRECTV	MONTHLY SERVICES	184.99	184.99	1,726.23
Bill	11/26/2024	Verizon Wireless	MONTHLY SERVICE	120.44	120.44	1,846.67
Check	11/29/2024	Insect IQ, Inc	STATION 1	107.69	107.69	1,954.36
Total Utilities						
Total Expense				69,287.58	69,287.58	69,287.58
Net Ordinary Income				-66,197.60	-66,197.60	-66,197.60
Other Income/Expense						
Other Income						
Interest Credit						
Deposit	11/29/2024		Interest	805.78	805.78	805.78
Total Interest Credit				805.78	805.78	805.78
Total Other Income				805.78	805.78	805.78
Other Expense						
Grants						
2023 ARPA						
Deposit	11/18/2024	County of San Joaquin	EF FIRE ARPA REIMB 10.23.24	-118,800.00	-118,800.00	-118,800.00
Total 2023 ARPA				-118,800.00	-118,800.00	-118,800.00
Total Grants				-118,800.00	-118,800.00	-118,800.00
Total Other Expense				-118,800.00	-118,800.00	-118,800.00
Net Other Income				119,605.78	119,605.78	119,605.78
Net Income				53,408.18	53,408.18	53,408.18

Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District
Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual
 July through November 2024

	Jul - Nov 24	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Expense				
Cafeteria Plan Medical	0.00	7,200.00	-7,200.00	0.0%
Capital Expense	45,995.79	0.00	45,995.79	100.0%
Communications	17,714.58	41,000.00	-23,285.42	43.2%
Contingencies	0.00	70,000.00	-70,000.00	0.0%
Employee Expenses	0.00	1,030,300.00	-1,030,300.00	0.0%
Fire Prevention	2,800.92	3,500.00	-699.08	80.0%
Firefighter Safety Gear	8,859.18	17,000.00	-8,140.82	52.1%
Fuel	8,429.66	16,800.00	-8,370.34	50.2%
Health Insurance	64,134.21	145,000.00	-80,865.79	44.2%
Household	12,984.98	28,000.00	-15,015.02	46.4%
Insurance Casualty	29,883.59	27,000.00	2,883.59	110.7%
Maintenance	4,115.72	30,000.00	-25,884.28	13.7%
Maintenance Structure & Grounds	3,410.20	8,000.00	-4,589.80	42.6%
Medi-Care	0.00	10,600.00	-10,600.00	0.0%
Memberships	1,585.16	2,200.00	-614.84	72.1%
Miscellaneous Expense	0.00	2,000.00	-2,000.00	0.0%
New Equipment	0.00	9,000.00	-9,000.00	0.0%
Office Expenses	4,342.41	10,000.00	-5,657.59	43.4%
Overtime	0.00	66,000.00	-66,000.00	0.0%
Professional Services	16,718.50	30,000.00	-13,281.50	55.7%
Publications and Legal Notices	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
Retirement	42,368.00	78,000.00	-35,632.00	54.3%
Salaries	393,034.93	667,000.00	-273,965.07	58.9%
Small Tools & Equipment	2,917.52	7,000.00	-4,082.48	41.7%
Social Security (FICA)	0.00	45,500.00	-45,500.00	0.0%
Special Accounting Reports	2,240.63	2,000.00	240.63	112.0%
Special Departmental Expenses	0.00	6,000.00	-6,000.00	0.0%
Structure Improvements	0.00	7,000.00	-7,000.00	0.0%
Tax Administration Charges	0.00	22,000.00	-22,000.00	0.0%
Taxes & Assessments	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
Training & Transportation	1,480.91	13,000.00	-11,519.09	11.4%
Unemployment Comp EDD	0.00	11,000.00	-11,000.00	0.0%
Utilites	18,135.38	17,000.00	1,135.38	106.7%
Workers Compensation Insurance	22,811.00	77,000.00	-54,189.00	29.6%
Total Expense	703,963.27	2,507,600.00	-1,803,636.73	28.1%
Net Ordinary Income	-703,963.27	-2,507,600.00	1,803,636.73	28.1%
Other Income/Expense				
Other Expense				
Grants				
2023 ARPA	0.00	365,241.07	-365,241.07	0.0%
Special District COVID-19 Relie	0.00	465,487.18	-465,487.18	0.0%
Total Grants	0.00	830,728.25	-830,728.25	0.0%
Total Other Expense	0.00	830,728.25	-830,728.25	0.0%
Net Other Income	0.00	-830,728.25	830,728.25	0.0%
Net Income	-703,963.27	-3,338,328.25	2,634,364.98	21.1%

Chief's Report

December 2024

Emergency Responses

November 2024

- Medical Aid 46
- Public Service Assist 8
- Vehicle Accidents 12
- Vegetation Fires 2
- Structure Fires 0
- Vehicle Fires 0
- Other Incidents 7

○ Total For Month: 75

Total Nov 23: 104

○ Total for 2024: 1,094

Total for 2023: 1,112

C-Shift Monthly Report
Training Division and Reserve/Volunteer Program

November Drills

11-5-24	Technical Rescue Review	(13 participants)
11-13-24	Live Wildland Fire Training	(13 participants)
11-21-24	SCBA Review and Fit Testing	(19 participants)

We have 2 reserve candidates in medicals. We had one candidate drop out and we have a past reserve that will be joining back with us.

The new fire software transition is going well. We will begin personnel training in January and hope to go live on February 1st.

We had 3 fire investigations within the district. One is still under investigation, and we are working with the insurance company and Sheriff's department.

The toy drive boxes have all been placed and so far, things are going well with the toy drive.

Apparatus and Equipment

- Bauer completed annual SCBA fit testing.

Buildings and Grounds

- Nothing to report.

San Joaquin County Fire Chiefs Association

- Meeting 12-4-24, general business.

San Joaquin County Radio Users Group

- Meeting 11-20-24, general business.

Miscellaneous

- The official total for fill-the-boot for burns was \$ 21,545.00.
- Escalon Fire personnel assisted with a regional first responder program competition at Escalon High School.
- The annual Christmas toy drive has begun. The giveaway will take place on December 19.
- Chief Mello attended the San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors Holiday Open House on December 5.
- Liberty Fire District Chief Stan Seifert has retired after fifty-eight years with the department, including fifty years as Fire Chief.
- Escalon Fire personnel took part in Christmas on Main Street held on December 7.

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Re: Request to Initiate Negotiations for Contractual Fire Services or Change of Organization Before the Stanislaus County or San Joaquin County LAFCO

Dear Board Chair Camara and Chief Mello:

The Oakdale Fire Protection District ("OFPD") at a properly noticed meeting on October 22, 2024, by unanimous Board direction (3-0) authorized the initiation of negotiation with the Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District ("Escalon Consolidated") Board of Directors, ideally by the creation of a subcommittee of two Board Members so that "two by two" negotiations could take place concerning an agreement for fire services by Escalon Consolidated to the OFPD.

To ensure complete discussion of changes of organization before the Stanislaus County or San Joaquin Local Agency Formation Commission to achieve a combination of the two Districts for fire and life safety services as authorized under the Fire Protection District Law of 1987 (Health and Safety Code Section 13800 *et seq.*) was authorized.

After appropriate review, please indicate how the initiation of the described communication and negotiations can begin.

Should you have questions, please contact me at privera.ofpd@gmail.com, or (209) 606-7285.

Sincerely,

Paul Rivera,
Vice President