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NEVADA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Board Agenda Memo

MEETING DATE: June 11, 2019

TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: **Steve Monaghan – IGS-Emergency Services**

SUBJECT: Wildfire preparedness informational presentation to the Board.

RECOMMENDATION: Accept the wildfire preparedness informational presentation to the Board.

FUNDING: N/A.

BACKGROUND:

The nature, frequency, and number of wildfire events have escalated dramatically across California. The state is experiencing more wildfires, more frequently, and of significantly larger size. The Board of Supervisors has designated reducing the risk of local wildfires and effects of local wildfires to life, property and the environment, as well as ensuring that all County residents are “wildfire ready”, as a level “A” priority for FY 2018/19. The Nevada County Office of Emergency Services is serving as the focal point for both strategic and tactical planning to address local wildfire hazard reduction and preparedness goals in Nevada County. Building on the momentum and collaboration already established by organizations and agencies working on wildfire prevention in Nevada County, OES has drafted a 2019 Wildfire Preparedness Action Plan, launched a Ready Nevada County outreach campaign, is updating the Evacuation and Mass Sheltering Annexes of the Emergency Operations Plan, increasing staff preparedness in the Emergency Operations Center, and partnering with Nevada County Consolidated to conduct Defensible Space Inspections across the county. This presentation will update the Board on the current status and progress made on this “A” priority over the past six months.

Item Initiated by: Jeff Pettitt

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