

Caldor Fire Recovery Operations Center

TO: The Honorable Board of Supervisors

FROM: Carla Hass

DATE: February 28, 2022

RE: Caldor Recovery update

Please accept this memo as a weekly update to the activities surrounding the County of El Dorado's recovery from the Caldor Fire as managed by the Recovery Operations Center's (ROC) co-directors Sgt. Moke Auwae and me.

Environmental Management

Alternate Program (Final program submittal date is set for March 18th)

- 30-applications & work plans submitted
- 2 work plans approved
- 12 properties cleaned and sampled
- 5 parcels submitted completion reports
- 2Final report has been submitted and accepted
- 8 letters requesting extension have been received for parcels using JA Synder contractor

Public Program

- 67 completed Full ROE final sign off
- 17 Tree only final sign off

Land Use

- Continued efforts to work with the Building Division to develop administrative standards for processing fee waivers to improve understanding of the process for applicants and staff.
- Continued to develop an infographic to communicate the fee waiver process to the public via website, County social media and identified community groups, organizations and social media sites

- Worked with admin team to prepare preliminary info for potential grant opportunity
- 17 Fee Waivers received (Predominantly for temporary housing, temporary power, demolition)

Approved: 7In process: 10

Health and Human Services Agency

Community Distribution Event Update:

• Staff who attended the distribution last Sunday said it was great. Behavioral Health received a couple requests for mental health services (one senior and one teen), and staff was able to expedite these. We've asked the GFWSF to send more Behavioral Health referrals as those needs present. Fewer people were at the event, but there were many more resources. A community member asked for a grief group run for women up in the community which aligns with our plans to have the new mental health worker start a peer support group. Our staff also noticed people needing help navigating and dealing with PG&E, insurance, etc.

Long Term Recovery Group Update:

• The next Long Term meeting will be on 2/28/22 from 2:00pm - 3:00pm. The Immediate needs meeting will be on 3/2/22 from 11:00am - 12:00pm.

Staffing Update:

- We've selected a Caldor Housing Social Worker who we anticipate will begin in approximately 4 weeks.
- The Mental Health Worker candidate remains in the final stages of hiring.

Disaster Case Manager Update:

• The deadline to apply for DCM was extended to February 25th to boost interest in the position, as only a few applicants initially applied.

EDWA Support to County

- Grizzly Flats Community Services District (GFCSD): Per direction from CalOES, worked with County OES and the El Dorado and Georgetown Divide Resource Conservation District to re-submit a Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Notice of Interest to protect GFCSD's vital infrastructure from projected increase in debris flow due to the Caldor Fire.
- Cody Water Association: El Dorado Water Agency provided information and options to meet their anticipated summer water demands.