



## PIONEER FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

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El Dorado County Board of Supervisors'  
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Board of Supervisors,

On April 12, 2020 the Pioneer Fire Protection District unanimously voted to request from the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors' to enter into an agreement or approve/advance funds from the Pioneer Fire Protection District Mitigation Fee/Development (as of 5-1-2020 \$237,836.00 in our Development fund/Mitigation fees) funds to purchase a water tender to deliver water to emergency incident in our growing community.

In 1986 the Pioneer Fire Protection District had approximately 1314 parcels and one water tender serving our district, since 1986 Pioneer Fire Protection District has seen a growth of over 1800 parcels. This demonstrates over a 70% increase in development requiring the district to improve its capabilities and service. The district continues to experience parcel development and grow each month.


As noted in the 2017 "Mitigation Fee Act Five (5) Year, Report"; the district outline the need for a mobile water delivery system to improve our water supply and delivery. In addition, it noted providing static water supply systems (water storage tanks). In 2019, the new Pioneer Fire Protection District Board of Directors and Administration developed new action plan and determined it's was critical to improve its water delivery system to help with its continuing growth and development (infra-structure). The Board elected to adopt a new Mitigation Fee Act 5-Year Report and did so by adopting Resolution 07-2019 (adopted on 12/16/2019; 5y 0n). The new plan addresses the continuing growth of our fire district and the need to deliver water more efficiently to our fire incidents.

The Pioneer Fire Protection District is the largest geographical fire district in El Dorado County (296) miles and is serviced by one water tender. Because of the large geographical district, challenging roadways and grades, we are unable to get the needed water supply to our incidents under 60 minutes to over 60% of our district. It is imperative that we improve/reduce the time we deliver water to our fire incidents. In addition, our current water tender delivers 3000 gallons of water and on most incidents that is inadequate. We estimate adding a water tender in a strategic location will allow us to improve our water delivery system to fire incidents. We estimate this will reduce our response time and allow us to get the needed water supply to incidents under 25 minutes 90% of the time throughout 85% of the district.

We are asking that the El Dorado County Board of Directors; pre approve mitigation funds to the Pioneer Fire Protection District up to \$200,000.00 from PFPD's Mitigation/ Development Funds Account #85500010 (as of 5-1-2020 \$237,836.00 in our Development fund/Mitigation fees) to purchase a water tender to service the citizens and growth of the Pioneer Fire Protection District.

Thank you for taking the time to review our needed request. The Pioneer Fire Protection District is in dire need of fortifying and protecting our economic growth and infrastructure through a fire suppression water supply deliver system.

Respectfully,

  
Mark S. Matthews  
Fire Chief, Pioneer Fire Protection District