

Memorandum
Office of Jenine Windeshausen
Treasurer-Tax Collector



TO: The Honorable Board of Supervisors
DATE: April 4, 2017
FROM: Jenine Windeshausen, Treasurer-Tax Collector
SUBJECT: Financial Review of Distressed Fire Services

ACTION REQUESTED

- 1) Receive a presentation on the findings of the County's Financial Review of Distressed Fire Service Providers in Placer County, and accept the final report.
- 2) Receive a presentation from SCI Consulting Group on the findings of a survey on voter support for parcel taxes to support fire services.

BACKGROUND

Late last summer, County staff was requested to finalize a report on the financial condition of certain fire service providers where fire service was determined to be under financial distress. The overall conclusion of the report found that, mostly due to circumstances outside the control of fire service providers, costs for fire service in Placer County have escalated, while fire service revenues are severely constrained. This situation has created deficit spending patterns that will likely lead to significant service reductions or insolvency of some fire service providers, unless immediate and adequate remedies are identified and implemented.

The attached report and the presentation provided to the Board today detail the financial issues and challenges that face fire service providers in Placer County.

FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact. Report only, no action.

The Financial Review of Distressed Fire Service Providers in Placer County is on file with the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors.

