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DIVISION 10 COMMANDER'S REPORT

TO: DCO Mary Kirkwood, D11NR
Cc: District Board and Staff
DATE: JAN 2020 REPORT FOR DEC 2019 ACTIVITIES
DIVISION: 10---San Joaquin Valley
DCDR : Donald Pierce

Highlights:

- OPTREX
- PCA 18-19 JAN 2020
- ORGANIZING NEW DIV 10 STAFF
- FLOTILLAS
- PROJECTS

DETAILS:

- **OPTREX** dates: 21-22 AUG 2020, Millerton Lake, all are welcome you will enjoy the warmth of the San Joaquin Valley in Mid August.
- **PCA 18-19 Jan 2020:** All the Flotillas are sending representatives to improve Personal Knowledge and Skills, New methods for Public Education, better Association with other Organizations, Tools that can help with Recruiting and Retention, the Most Up to Date Information for Recreational Boating Safety, AND Food and Fellowship.
- **DIVISION STAFF:** Selecting and Organizing Staff started in 2019, Old and New stepped up and all the positions are filled, informed of duty and Reports filed. Work for 2020 Started before or first meeting 4 Jan 2020. Committees and their Chairs agreed upon were identified, budget and finance business put in order, audits in progress, dead lines being meet. Future plans into 2021 were voted on.
- **MODESTO FLOTILLA 10-02**
 1. CORE AND RM TRAINING DOING VERY WELL
 2. SALMON FESTIVAL: 5500 people attended, 400 of them took handouts from the AUX, kids and parents participated in the hands on activities provided. Rebecca Obrien-Witt was recognized for organizational skills with PA events she was requested and accepted a position as SO-PA with Div 10.
 3. ELECTION: Linda Bradon Flotilla Commander, Steve Bradon Vice Flotilla Commander. Change of Watch is 25 Jan 2020.
 4. Mike Rafatti as a new RM Facilitator, conducted an excellent class for the RM Refresher 4 hour class, 12 people attended. Mike

accommodated a request for a second class in the south and finished the RM requirements for the needy.

- **STOCKTON FLOTILLA 10-03:** has been very busy and the end of 2019 and started again in 2020. To give them the justice they deserve attached is Stockton Flotilla News Letter, which can say it better than me.

- **FRESNO FLOTILLA 10-05:**

The Flotilla is undergoing many changes, caused by retirements and serious illness. They are

slowly increasing their VSCs. The FRESNO VETERAN'S PARADE. Steve Pitts brought

together Station Rio Vista, California Parks and Recreation, USACE, AUX Comms Trailer,

and Coastie. (making plans for letting her perform instead of ride next year). Much of the organization and planning was done with the help of Us Coast Guard Recruiting Office,

Fresno and Master Chief Murphy. Fresno Flotilla is concentrating on VSCs and PE for 2020.

Some members are working on Boat Crew PQS.

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- **KAWEAH FLOTILLA 10-06:**

Election: Howard Ratzlaff FC, Richard Myers VFC

New Officer Training attended by VFC Richard Myers,

COW, 7 December 2019, 0900hrs Marie Calendar's Mooney Blvd /Hwy 198 Visalia

Training new Crew, Instructors and TCOs.

Working hard for D-TRAIN 2021, OPTREX and COW. 2020

PROJECTS

- FACILITY REPAIRS and UPGRADE
- OPEX AND OPTREX: It introduced and encouraged for each Flotilla to have both in addition to regular Patrols enabling quality training with others.
- COMMITTEES: Chosen and already getting to work.
- D-TRAIN 2020, 2021
- SEA SCOUTS, establish relation with Ships in the Division working with the new DSO-AS
- Training activities with USACE, PARKS AND REC AND TULARE COUNTY SHERIFF DEPT are being setup and planned.
- SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN ALL THE FLOTILLAS WITH BOATING SAFETY CLASSES.

CHALLENGES/OBSTICLES/OPPORTUNITIES:

Attrition/Attrition/ Recruitment and Education

AGENCY INTERACTION:

Each Flotilla AOR has different environments which teams them up with: GOLD SIDE, many COUNTY SHERIFF DEPTs, Bureau of Land Management, USACE, CA PARKS AND RECREATION, FISH AND WILDLIFE

GOALS OF DIVISION 10:

- FLOTILLAS TO WORK AS A TEAM
- RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION
- MORE INSTRUCTORS AND PUBLIC EDUCATION

- MORE FACILITIES, COX'N AND CREW
- STRONGER EFFORT FOR VSCs and PROGRAM VISITS
- REPORTS ARE OUR FRIEND

See Attached for Stockton Flotilla News Letter.

END OF REPORT