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SIERRA DIVISION 11 COMMANDER'S REPORT

TO: DCO Dean McFarren, D11NR
Cc: District Board and Staff
DATE: JUNE 2021 REPORT
DIVISION: Sierra Division 11
DCDR: Bryce Leinan

HIGHLIGHTS:

- Melroy heading to Utah
- Life Jacket Loaner Stations

DETAILS:

- Planning June virtual meeting due to non-availability of parks in the area.

North Lake Tahoe Flotilla 11-01

1. No meeting this month

Reno Flotilla 11-03

1. Melroy has been transferred to flotilla 7-3, Tony Zocchi let me know they had 9 SAR cases over Memorial Day weekend.
2. SeaTow Foundation approved Reno flotilla for a couple of PFD loaner stations as part of their granting process; Lahontan, Topaz, and possibly Pyramid will be receiving stations

PROJECTS:

1. Discussing leadership training programs for the two flotillas.
2. Division 11 leadership is engaging with Station Lake Tahoe on a weekly basis.
3. Division 11 OPTREX will be held on 28 August.

CHALLENGES / OBSTACLES / OPPORTUNITIES:

1. Given our short boating season, it will be challenging at best to maintain member competency for boat crew and coxswains. Water levels are a challenge as well - Lahontan will be closing by 4 July, Topaz may not be launchable in the near future according to their rangers.
2. Fourth of July fireworks and other activities on Lake Tahoe were cancelled due to COVID, which means that a major activity for our crews has been eliminated.
3. As the only bi-state Division in the district, it is a challenge managing the requirements of both Nevada and California, along with the restrictions on meeting rooms and such.

AGENCY INTERACTION:

1. Bruce Martin did a NSBW spot on Lake Tahoe TV
2. Station Lake Tahoe has tentative plans to put a station facility on Pyramid Lake at the request of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe, AUXCOM will be requested for when the station boat is on the water.

GOALS OF DIVISION 11:

- Recruit new elected leadership for Flotilla 11-01 and 11-03, help with succession planning. Flotilla 11-01 needs both a FC and VFC, Reno is working on the same thing.
- Build a deeper “bench” of capable leaders so we don’t have to recycle candidates as often as we have done in the past, including coxswains and other boat crew.
- Build relationships with flotilla members coming from Flotilla 11-04 to the gaining flotillas.

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