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## **SIERRA DIVISION 11 COMMANDER'S REPORT**

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

### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

- Caldor Fire effects

### **DETAILS:**

- Division Election on October 4th at 1900.

### **North Lake Tahoe Flotilla 11-01**

1. Flotilla 1 canceled its September meeting due to effects from the Caldor Fire, multiple members were evacuated.
2. All members evacuated due to the Caldor Fire are back home.

### **Reno Flotilla 11-03**

1. Nate Jeffery was elected as VFC during the special election.
2. There will be no meeting this month due to a lack of business.
3. One member was housed at Station Lake Tahoe A-Frames because he was evacuated during the Caldor Fire, BZ to Chief Colt Fairchild and his crew at Station Lake Tahoe for graciously allowing David Hague and his family to stay in the A-Frames.

### **PROJECTS:**

1. None at this time. Many activities were canceled due to the Caldor Fire and COVID. There is a possibility of some rescheduled events.

## **CHALLENGES / OBSTACLES / OPPORTUNITIES:**

1. Division 11 was forced to cancel our August OPTREX due to the smoke and a lack of visibility from the Caldor Fire, we will have to make sure members get qualified at another event.
2. All Division 11 entities do not have meeting rooms at present, this is a moot point with electronic elections this cycle, but presents a challenge unless we meet at someone's house in the future.
3. I discussed a Change of Watch with both flotilla commanders and my vice, it was decided that it would be best to wait until early next year if we are able to meet in person since most places do not have their meeting rooms fully open.

## **AGENCY INTERACTION:**

1. Reno Flotilla 3 discussed the life jacket lending program with Topaz Lake and Lahontan, they will put up a stand at Topaz sometime in the next month in preparation for the fishing season.

## **GOALS OF DIVISION 11:**

- Recruit new elected leadership for Flotilla 11-01 and 11-03, help with succession planning. Flotilla 11-01 needs both an 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.

## **END OF REPORT**