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SIERRA DIVISION 11 COMMANDER'S REPORT

TO: DCO Curtis Han, D11NR
Cc: District Board and Staff
DATE: March 2023 REPORT
DIVISION: Sierra Division 11
DCDR: Guy D Chism DCDR

HIGHLIGHTS:

DETAILS:

North Lake Tahoe Flotilla 11-01

Last Flotilla Meeting Postponed
All activities cancelled due to snow

Reno Flotilla 11-03

In Person Meeting (first one) at Elks Lodge February 20th 1900
Trent Bachman unable to attend first in person meeting. Next scheduled for April.

PROJECTS:

1. Coffee with the Commander program will commence in March. Emphasis on knowing all current members and exploring new ways to recruit new members.
2. Mini Optrex being planned for August

CHALLENGES / OBSTACLES / OPPORTUNITIES:

1. Given our short boating season and lack of water, it will be challenging at best to maintain member competency for boat crew and coxswains. We will attempt to up our numbers. We should see water levels rise in April May with Spring Run Off

AGENCY INTERACTION:

1. None

GOALS OF DIVISION 11:

- Build a deeper “bench” of capable leaders so we don’t have to recycle candidates as often as we have done in the past.
- Build relationships with flotilla members coming from Flotilla 11-04 to the gaining flotillas.

END OF REPORT

Division 11 is basically in glacier status. Our division has experienced a lot of tragedy, death and property destruction due to storms. WE are mindful of many of the elderly in our division community who have lost homes and who have crossed over the bar due to the storms, lack of food, power and gas and in some instances from fire.

I am deeply moved by the losses of our elderly, many who have frozen to death in their own homes. Many still are stranded and have not been found simply because their homes are buried. We as the auxiliary are keenly aware of the powerful force of weather and water. Water taking on the form of ice, snow and melting floods can place life in peril just as much as lakes, rivers and oceans.

May God Bless us all as we keep the individuals and the families of the affected in our hearts, minds and prayers!