



U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY
District Eleven North Region
DISTRICT STAFF OFFICER REPORT

To: Dean McFarren, Commodore

July 13, 2021

Cc: District Board and Staff

From: Vinicio Mata, District Staff Officer - EM

Division: 11N

HIGHLIGHTS:

1. An all hands Everbridge test was conducted Saturday, 19 June at 1200 hours.
2. ADSO-EM's and DSO EM monitored wildfires in Northern California.
3. ADSO-EM's and DSO EM monitored an earthquake that occurred south of Lake Tahoe.

DETAILS:

1. At the request of COMO McFarren, a "no notice" all hands Everbridge test was conducted on Saturday, 19 June at 1200 hours. The alert was sent to 1136 members of D11N by various communication methods. The alert was acknowledged by 877 members, a 77% response rate. Previous tests have concluded with a similar response rate.
2. D11N DSO EM and ADSO-EM staff have been monitoring fires in Northern California affecting D11N's territory. Evacuation zones were monitored and correlated with USCG Auxiliarists' addresses. A few Auxiliarists were contacted in order to determine if there were any needs. At the time of this report's submission, no needs have been identified. The staff is ready to send out emergency notifications if requested or needed. The Sugar fire has burned over 50,000 acres of Plumas and Lassen counties in California. On 10 July, three members (one from Div. 08 and two from Div 11) who live at the north end of Washoe county, NV were under evacuation advisory. ADSO-EM staff is maintaining communication with the members and continuing to monitor the fires.
3. On 8 July at approximately 1549 hours, a magnitude 5.9 earthquake struck south of Lake Tahoe. COMO McFarren requested an Everbridge welfare check for that area to make sure members were okay. By the next morning, 100% of our members in 113-11 were accounted for and had no significant problems. The closest members were approximately 20 miles away from the reported epicenter.

PROJECTS:

1. Everbridge Geocoding

CHALLENGES/OBSTACLES/OPPORTUNITIES:

1. Staff would like to determine ways to increase the emergency notification response rate from the current 77% that we seem to consistently achieve.

AGENCY INTERACTION:

1. N/A

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES:

1. Complete Everbridge drills on a quarterly basis.

2. Complete an Emergency Management certification inventory throughout the district to understand the skills and experience within the district.
3. Determine if there will be any gold side exercises and encourage participation.

PHOTO GALLERY: