



U.S. COAST GUARD AUXILIARY

District Eleven North Region DISTRICT STAFF OFFICER REPORT

To: Dean McFarren, Commodore August 7, 2021

Cc: District Board and Staff

From: Vinicio Mata, District Staff Officer - EM Division: 11N

HIGHLIGHTS:

1. ADSO-EM's and DSO EM continued monitoring wildfires in Northern California.

DETAILS:

1. 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 have been contacted in order to determine if there were any needs. At the time of this report's submission, no needs have been identified. Currently, the Dixie Fire in Plumas County is the one attracting the most attention. We have two members from Div. 113-11 that we have been trying to contact. The members are not very active in the AUX so it has been relatively normal not to hear from them. As of 5 August, the authorities have asked Taylorsville to evacuate east towards Portola. Smoke, power outages and the loss of communications infrastructure have been major challenges in the area. On 7 August, ADSO EM Leinan contacted one of the Auxiliarists. His family has evacuated, but due to his work, he has remained. He was advised of potential contacts if needed and resources he and his family can access. ADSO-EM staff is maintaining communication with the members and continuing to monitor the fires.

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: