

**Groveland Community Services District  
Fire Department / CALFIRE**

18966 Ferretti Road Groveland, CA 95321

Staff Report

November 12, 2019

To: Board of Directors

From: Andy Murphy, Assistant Chief  
By: Jude R. Acosta, Battalion Chief

Subject: Monthly Activity Report – September 30, 2019 to November 3, 2019

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**Operations:**

**Emergency Incident Response:**

On October 7, 2019 CAL FIRE and Groveland Fire units responded to a reported vehicle fire at 11108 Stonecrest Ct. X Cuneo Rd. in Greeley Hill. Upon arrival, there was a fully involved sedan adjacent to a residence. Fire crews aggressively attacked the fire, immediately containing it, preventing any extension into the structure or wildland. The cause of the fire was determined to be mechanical.

On October 26, 2019 Groveland Fire and CAL FIRE units responded to a vehicle over the embankment halfway down New Priest Grade. Upon arriving at scene, the vehicle was located 100 feet below the road on it's top. Firefighters hiked down to the vehicle and quickly triaged three patients, one with major injuries and two minor injuries. A Low Angle Rope Rescue Operation (LARRO) system was set up to package the patient with major injuries. A Sierra Conservation Camp Training Crew was in the area and provided additional manpower with the rope system. Rescue Firefighters stabilized the patient, loaded him in a stokes to move the patient up the hill to the waiting ambulance. The two other patients self-extricated and hiked out. The patient with major injuries was transported to the Moccasin landing zone and flown by PHI Air Med-42 to Doctors Medical Center in Modesto for treatment. The two other patients with minor injuries were transported by ground ambulance to Seventh Day Adventist Hospital in Sonora for further evaluation.



On October 27, 2019 Groveland Fire and CAL FIRE units responded to a reported vehicle fire at Miller Brothers Automotive. Upon arriving at scene, there was a fully involved flatbed tow truck with additional tow trucks as exposures. Fire crews were able to quickly contain the fire preventing any additional spread to the vehicles or vegetation. The cause of the fire is under investigation.



#### Vegetation Management Prescribed Burn:

On October 21, 2019 CAL FIRE conducted a prescribed burn on the Crook Ranch Vegetation Management Program (VMP). The 420-acre prescribed burn will benefit the watershed, improve rangeland, and reduce hazardous fuel loading protecting the communities of Groveland and Big Oak Flat from wildland fires. CAL FIRE is emphasizing fire prevention and fuels treatment to reach the goal to reduce the chance of large damaging wildfires like the 2018 Camp Fire.



Apparatus and Equipment:

| Apparatus   | Description             | Status     |
|-------------|-------------------------|------------|
| Engine 781  | 2009 Pierce Contender   | In Service |
| Engine 787  | 2000 Freightliner FL112 | In Service |
| Engine 788  | 1984 GMC Wildcat        | In Service |
| Utility 786 | 2008 Chevrolet 2500     | In Service |

Training:

In addition to our monthly Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) curriculum and engine company performance standards, Battalion personnel received the following specialized training:

- Area Orientation
- Low Angle Rope Rescue Operations (LARRO)
- Ladder Deployment and Rescue Techniques
- Structure Fire Scenarios
- Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus
- Hose Deployment and Management
- Fire Captain Siville assisted in instructing the Fire Control 3B and Flashover Chamber at the Twain Harte Fire Station.

**MONTH - OCTOBER 2019**



|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| Alarm Sounding            | 5         |
| Odor Investigation        | 0         |
| Debris Fire               | 0         |
| Medical Aid               | 30        |
| Fire Menace Standby       | 0         |
| Fire Other                | 0         |
| Haz Mat                   | 0         |
| Landing Zone              | 0         |
| Plane/Heli Crash          | 0         |
| Public Assist             | 5         |
| Smoke Check               | 1         |
| Structure Fire            | 0         |
| Commercial Structure Fire | 0         |
| Vegetation Fire           | 0         |
| Vehicle Accident          | 4         |
| Vehicle Accident/Pin-In   | 0         |
| Vehicle Fire              | 1         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>              | <b>46</b> |

(42 calls in GCSD district, 4 calls in Tuolumne County)

| Auto Aid        | Given |
|-----------------|-------|
| Tuolumne County | 4     |

**Last Call Logged Run # TCU 13320**