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Lockwood Fire Protection District short version of the Smoke Signals

Fall 2019

We have a new Fire Truck!

We are extremely pleased to announce we have obtained a Type VI Fire Engine to better serve you. The Type VI Wildland Fire Engine can be very advantageous, especially in rural communities like Lockwood with numerous steep or narrow roads and driveways with limited access. The Type VI is a smaller, lighter vehicle and can be outfitted with almost the same equipment, pump capacity and water capacity as most larger wildland fire engines. Our Type VI is a 4X4 vehicle and provides year-round maneuverability and versatility.

Type 6 Capabilities:

- 250 gallon water tank
- Can pump 250 gallons per minute
- 300 feet of 1 ½ “ hose
- 300 feet of 1” hose

Our contract with CAL FIRE has been very successful and has generated a surplus in revenue in part from contracting our water tender to fires in California. This is the first time in many years Lockwood has seen a surplus. With the assistance of CAL FIRE we were able to locate and purchase a used Type VI Fire Engine. The Type VI will be located at Station #152 at Hale and Shake Ridge. It will be put into service by November 1 or sooner.



Mark Your Calendar

10/06 - Bells Across America at Station 151

10/12 - Firehouse Concert at Station 152
featuring Double Take

12/03 - Giving Tuesday - place TBD

12/14 - Holiday Community Pot Luck at
Station #152

For more details on upcoming events and news
visit our web page at

<http://www.lockwoodfire.org>

ISO Rating Changes

It just keeps getting better! Lockwood received notice from ISO, provider of Public Protection Classification (PPC), that our PPC has improved. Our current rating of 08/8B changes to 05/5Y effective November 1, 2019. PPC classification ranges from a 10 being extremely limited protection to a 1, the best protection possible. What does this mean for you? It means our community may get lower insurance prices, and/or the ability to obtain insurance is increased. However, not all insurance companies utilize the PPC. Check with your insurance companies and let them know the Lockwood Fire PPC rating change is effective November 1. The 5Y rating applies to La Mel Heights subdivision only. All others are rated 5.

Shake Ridge Road Update

According to a Sept. 5 posting on Nextdoor.com from Jeff Brown, District 3 Supervisor, “The County has been working on the Shakeridge Road problem. Vertical and Offside coring was done to find answers and figure out how to anchor a repair. CalTrans and FEMA had a site inspection and meeting with Public Works last week. We are now waiting on their assistance for the next step.” If you have questions regarding the Shake Ridge closure, please contact your District Supervisor. Lockwood Fire will put updates on our web site as we receive them.

We Have New Signs

Lockwood has acquired new “Fire Danger” signs and will be installing them at both stations in the coming weeks. When the arrow points to Very High or Extreme we encourage all residents and visitors to be aware of the danger and refrain from utilizing outdoor equipment and having warming fires. All it takes is one little spark. Let’s be safe.

Lockwood Fire Auxiliary purchased these signs with funding from YOU. Your attendance at our fund raisers and your donations has made this possible. The signs will be kept updated by our volunteer firefighters. Thank you for keeping our community safer.



IT'S A TOUGH JOB - BUT SOMEONE HAS TO DO IT - HOW ABOUT YOU?

We need volunteer firefighters. And now is the time to apply. What better place to train than at Lockwood Fire? Why? Because CAL FIRE trains our volunteers. You will get the best of the best training and if you are looking for a career in firefighting you can start right here in your own neighborhood.

We love our volunteers, whether they are interested in a fire service career or just want to serve their community.

Call CAL FIRE Division Chief Robert Withrow at 530-708-2703. E-mail us at info@lockwoodfire.org

Call for dates and times to attend a training night and see what we're all about.

Come be a part of our great team!!

Where can I find it? We often get requests for signage and water tank fitting requirements among other things. All regulations are set by the State and County and are listed in the county codes Chapter 15.30 Fire and Life Safety Regulations. These regulations can be found on the Amador County website at <https://www.amadorgov.org/home/showdocument?id=17047>. We hope this link is useful.

We are always happy to answer your questions. Call us at 209-296-5122 or e-mail us at info@lockwoodfire.org Check our website often for news and updates at <http://www.lockwoodfire.org>