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Since 1927*



# **Tehama County Fire Department 2025 Annual Report**

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# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE



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# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

## MESSAGE FROM THE FIRE CHIEF



### **Honorable Supervisors and Citizens,**

It is my pleasure to present the Tehama County Fire Department's (TCFD) 2025 Annual Report. On behalf of the citizens of Tehama County, TCFD is dedicated to the protection of life, property, and the environment.

TCFD currently operates fifteen county fire stations, twelve of which have active volunteer firefighters. Two of those county stations are staffed year-round by CAL FIRE through a 'Schedule A' Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement. The agreement also provides county funding for state Fire Fighter 1's to staff two CAL FIRE stations during base staffing periods, in addition to five CAL FIRE stations in Tehama County that respond to all incidents. During peak staffing periods, CAL FIRE maintains staffing at eight 'Schedule B' fire stations along with a helicopter, three bulldozers, two conservation camps, and a fire center

that are state funded. Together, TCFD and CAL FIRE are dedicated to protecting the residents and visitors in the unincorporated areas of Tehama County and assisting our partner agencies through Automatic and Mutual Aid Agreements.

Recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters continues to be a challenge for fire departments not only locally, but also nationally. TCFD Volunteer Firefighter numbers fluctuate throughout the year and currently stand at 67 active volunteers. Our CAL FIRE and TCFD Volunteer Firefighters responded to 7,184 incidents in 2025, with volunteers contributing 6,881 hours to those incidents.

In 2025, we placed five new Type 6 Fire Engines in service. Those engines were placed at Fire Station 2 in Lake California, Fire Station 9 in El Camino, Fire Station 12 in Corning, Fire Station 14 in Dibble Creek, and Fire Station 16 in Vina. TCFD also purchased two 2000-gallon tactical water tenders, which were placed in service at Fire Station 14 in Dibble Creek and Fire Station 16 in Vina. Additionally, two new command vehicles were placed in service for the County Fire Marshal and the County Training Captain. Our commitment to fleet modernization ensures career and volunteer firefighters are operating reliable and effective equipment, directly enabling us to prioritize the safety of our citizens and personnel.

One of our 2024 goals was to upgrade our safety and communication technologies. In 2025, TCFD successfully secured \$36,795.35 in grant funding to purchase new radios and personal protective equipment.



2025 also celebrated the completion and adoption of the Tehama County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. This time intensive project required a significant amount of collaboration amongst all agencies and stakeholders within Tehama County. With the adoption of this plan, Tehama County is now eligible to receive additional funding and support during disasters.

**There are five main goals we will be working towards in 2026:**

**Apparatus replacement:** Replacing or retiring vehicles that have performed beyond their life expectancy, are not cost-effective to maintain, or no longer meet the demands of an all-risk fire department. The TCFD Apparatus Replacement Plan is continually evaluated to meet the changing needs of our county.

**Communications upgrades:** Replacing two-way radios that are no longer usable or programmable for interoperability between partner agencies during emergencies. This will ensure functional needs and compliance with state and federal regulations.

**Extrication and Rescue Equipment upgrades:** Replacing old and outdated auto extrication equipment, which includes “Jaws of Life”, air bags, low and high angle rope rescue gear, and several other specialized tools that are required of an all-risk fire department.

**Recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters:** Increasing the number of active volunteer firefighters, to ensure safe, efficient, and effective services are available to our citizens. Continuing to recruit new members is an integral piece of our all-hazard fire department.

**Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) replacement:** Replacing structural and wildland firefighting gear that is no longer compliant with NFPA and OSHA regulations. This ensures we meet the safety needs of our volunteer and career firefighters while they are performing critical public safety duties.

I am proud to present the 2025 accomplishments of the Tehama County Fire Department. The unwavering dedication of our volunteer and career personnel to delivering professional, high-quality public safety services to our neighbors, friends, families, and visitors continues to make a meaningful difference in the lives of those we serve.

I would like to thank all the firefighters in Tehama County, our dedicated administrative and support staff, the Board of Supervisors, Chief Administrator Hydrick, county council, the county department heads, and our cooperating agencies for their continued support of the Tehama County Fire Department.



*Monty Smith*  
Unit / Fire Chief



# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

## MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT

### MISSION STATEMENT

The Tehama County Fire Department, in cooperation with CAL FIRE, is dedicated to the protection of life, property and natural resources through cost effective planning, prevention, and emergency services.



### VISION STATEMENT

The Tehama County Fire Department is committed to exemplary service and will be a leader in fire protection and emergency services, through continuous improvement, innovation, and the most efficient and responsible use of resources.





# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT HISTORY

The Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement between CAL FIRE and the County of Tehama is one of the oldest agreements in the state. Dated January 24, 1927, the agreement directed the State Forester to select and pay the salary of a State Forest Ranger from May 1st to October 31st, 1927. The total budget was \$2,500, which was approved by the County Board of Supervisors. The County of Tehama was required to pay all the expenses for labor, transportation, and supplies for firefighting. These expenses were authorized by the State Forest Ranger.

Between 1927 and 1932, Tehama County continued to bolster cooperative fire protection and increased the budget from \$2,500 to \$4,500. On May 6, 1929, the County Board of Supervisors appointed two seasonal County Fire Truck Drivers, one in Red Bluff and one in Corning. These positions were paid by the state during the summer months. On May 27, 1929, citizens from Los Molinos requested that the Board of Supervisors place the "old fire truck" in Los Molinos, and Los Molinos would cover the operating expenses.

On April 13, 1931, an updated agreement was signed, providing year-round fire protection in Tehama County. The agreement specified that two men would ride in each fire truck in the summer and only one in the winter. During July of 1931, the Board of Supervisors placed a fire truck in Paskenta, increasing the county fleet to four fire trucks.

The county budget increased gradually each year, and in 1945, the Cooperative Agreement expanded to include the rental of a State of California owned truck and the salary of a state worker. The state worker was responsible for staffing a fire truck in Vina during non-fire season. It was not until 1970 that an engine was acquired by the county and staffed at Vina year round.

The first organized fire company in Tehama County was Mineral Hose Company No. 1. It was organized on June 2, 1949 and provided fire protection in Mineral. In 1960, local Doc Agner organized the Los Molinos Volunteer Fire Company. Soon after, on June 19, 1962, the County Board of Supervisors adopted the constitution and laws from the California Division of Forestry on behalf of county volunteer fire companies, effectively creating what is now known as the Tehama County Fire Department.

Between 1967 and 1971, the County of Tehama contracted with the Department of Forestry (CDF) to staff a fire engine at Baker Station for the winter period. In the early 1970's, Tehama County expanded its contract with CDF to include administration, supervision, and training of volunteer firefighters. From the 1970's through today, the Tehama County Fire Department and CAL FIRE function essentially as one agency, providing complete fire and all-risk emergency services to the citizens of Tehama County.



# TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER PROGRAM

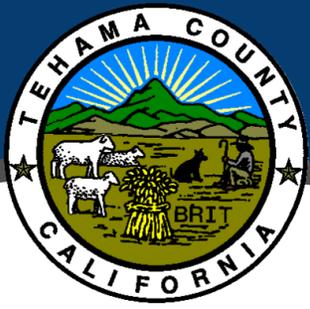


The volunteer program remains a vital component of the Tehama County Fire Department's ability to serve the community. Volunteer firefighters provide essential emergency response services throughout Tehama County, playing a vital role in protecting lives and property. Volunteers respond to incidents using a diverse fleet of apparatus, including fire engines, water tenders, rescue squads, and breathing support units.

In 2025, Tehama County Fire Volunteers demonstrated their commitment by contributing 14,161 hours to emergency and non-emergency incidents. Additionally these volunteers dedicated 2,049 hours to emergency incident training. Currently, the volunteer program consists of 67 active and 7 training active volunteers serving in twelve companies throughout Tehama County.

Tehama County Fire accepts volunteer applications on a continual basis for volunteer companies countywide. Applications are available on TCFD's website at [tehamacountyfire.org](http://tehamacountyfire.org), in person at the CAL FIRE/Tehama County Fire Department Headquarters (604 Antelope Boulevard, Red Bluff), or at a local fire station.





# TEHAMA COUNTY

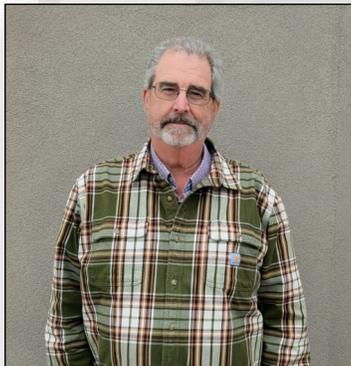
## BOARD OF SUPERVISORS & CHIEF ADMINISTRATOR



**Robert Burroughs**  
District 1



**Tom Walker**  
District 2



**Steve Zane**  
District 3



**Matt Hansen**  
District 4



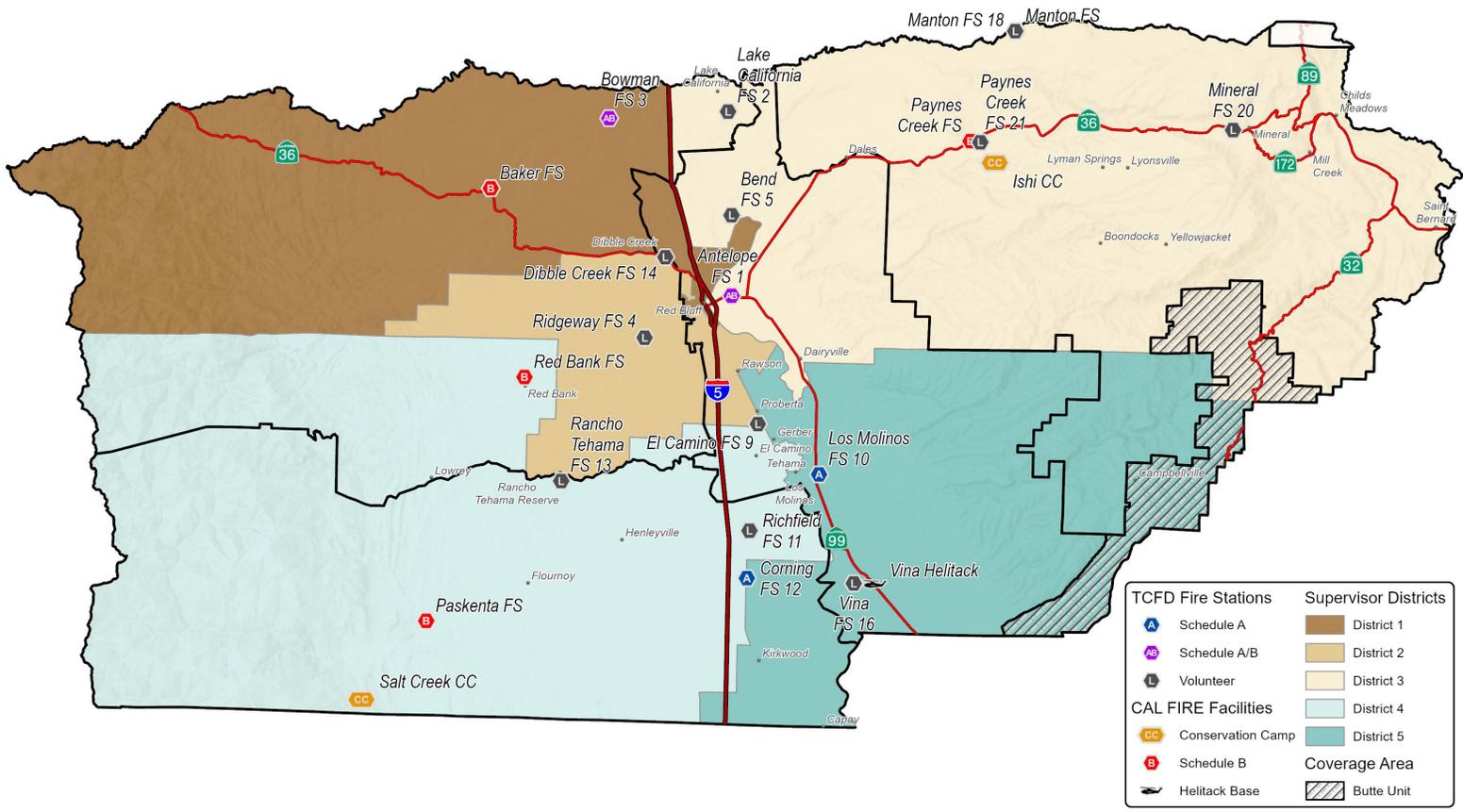
**Greg Jones**  
District 5



**Gabriel Hydrick**  
Chief Administrator

# TEHAMA COUNTY BOUNDARIES

## BATTALIONS & DISTRICTS

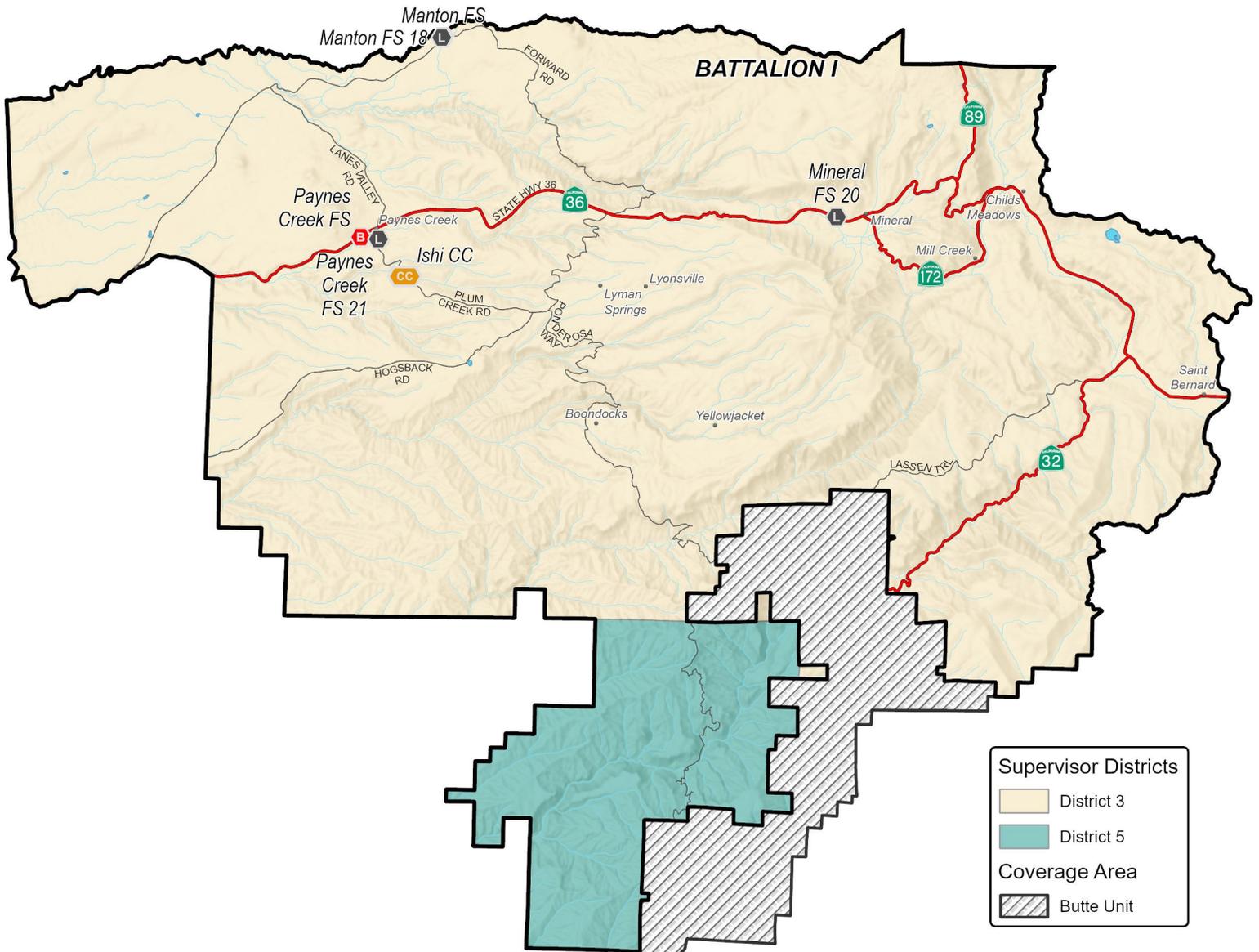




# BATTALION I - DISTRICTS 3 & 5

## EAST DIVISION

Battalion I is located the northeast corner of Tehama County. The Battalion stretches from the base of the foothills on the east side of the Sacramento Valley to the Plumas County line, and from the Shasta County line south to the Butte County line. Battalion I encompasses the communities of Manton, Mineral, Mill Creek, Paynes Creek, and Ponderosa Sky Ranch.

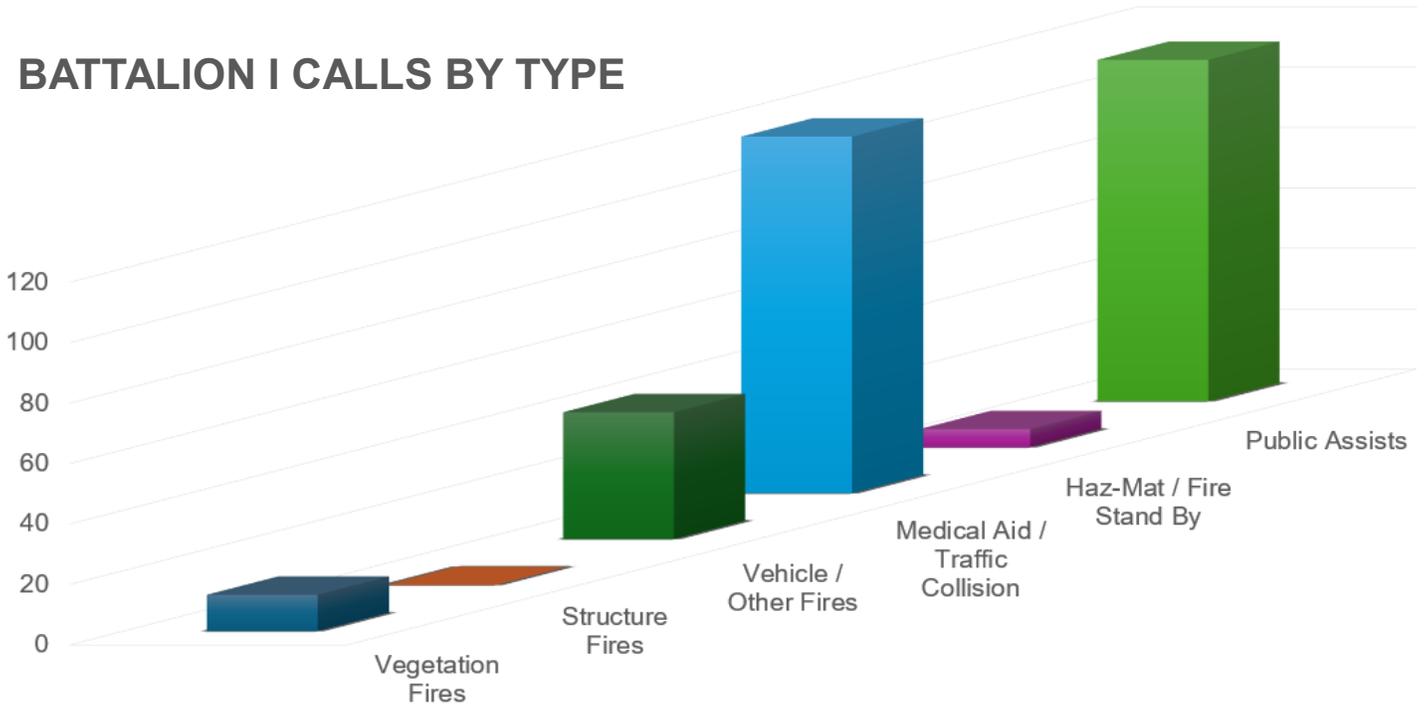


# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

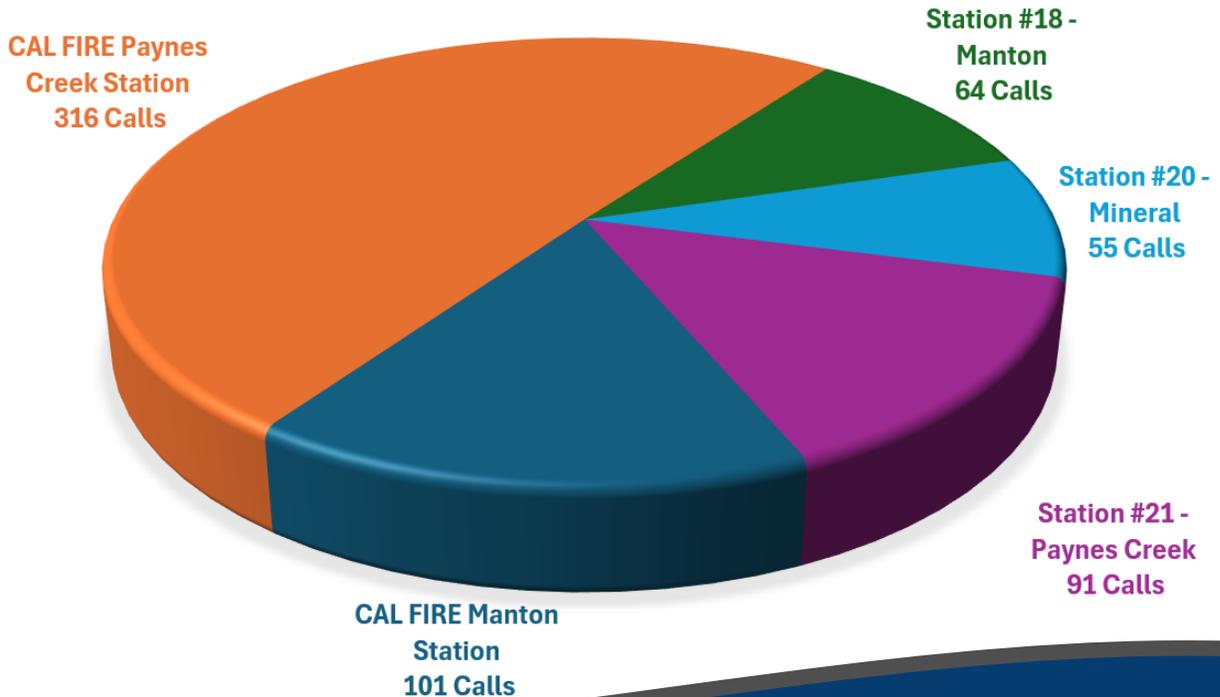
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### BATTALION I CALLS BY TYPE



### CALLS BY BATTALION I STATIONS





# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

## BATTALION I STATION BREAKDOWN

### TCFD STATION 18

MANTON

*Established 1973*

4 Volunteers

2 Fire Engines  
1 Water Tender

64 Calls

### TCFD STATION 20

MINERAL

*Established 1949*

5 Volunteers

1 Fire Engine  
1 Water Tender  
1 Rescue Squad

55 Calls

### TCFD STATION 21

PAYNES CREEK

*Established 1977*

2 Volunteers

1 Fire Engine  
1 Tactical Water Tender

91 Calls

# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

## BATTALION | STATION BREAKDOWN



### CAL FIRE

#### MANTON STATION

*Staffed Year-Round*

3 Fire Captains  
3 Engineers  
3 Firefighters

1 Fire Engine

101 Calls

### CAL FIRE

#### PAYNES CREEK STATION

*Staffed Year-Round*

2 Fire Captains  
4 Engineers  
10 Firefighters

2 Fire Engines

320 Calls

### CAL FIRE

#### ISHI CONSERVATION CAMP

*Staffed Year-Round*

12 Fire Captains  
3 HFEO's

3 Fire Crews  
1 Bulldozer

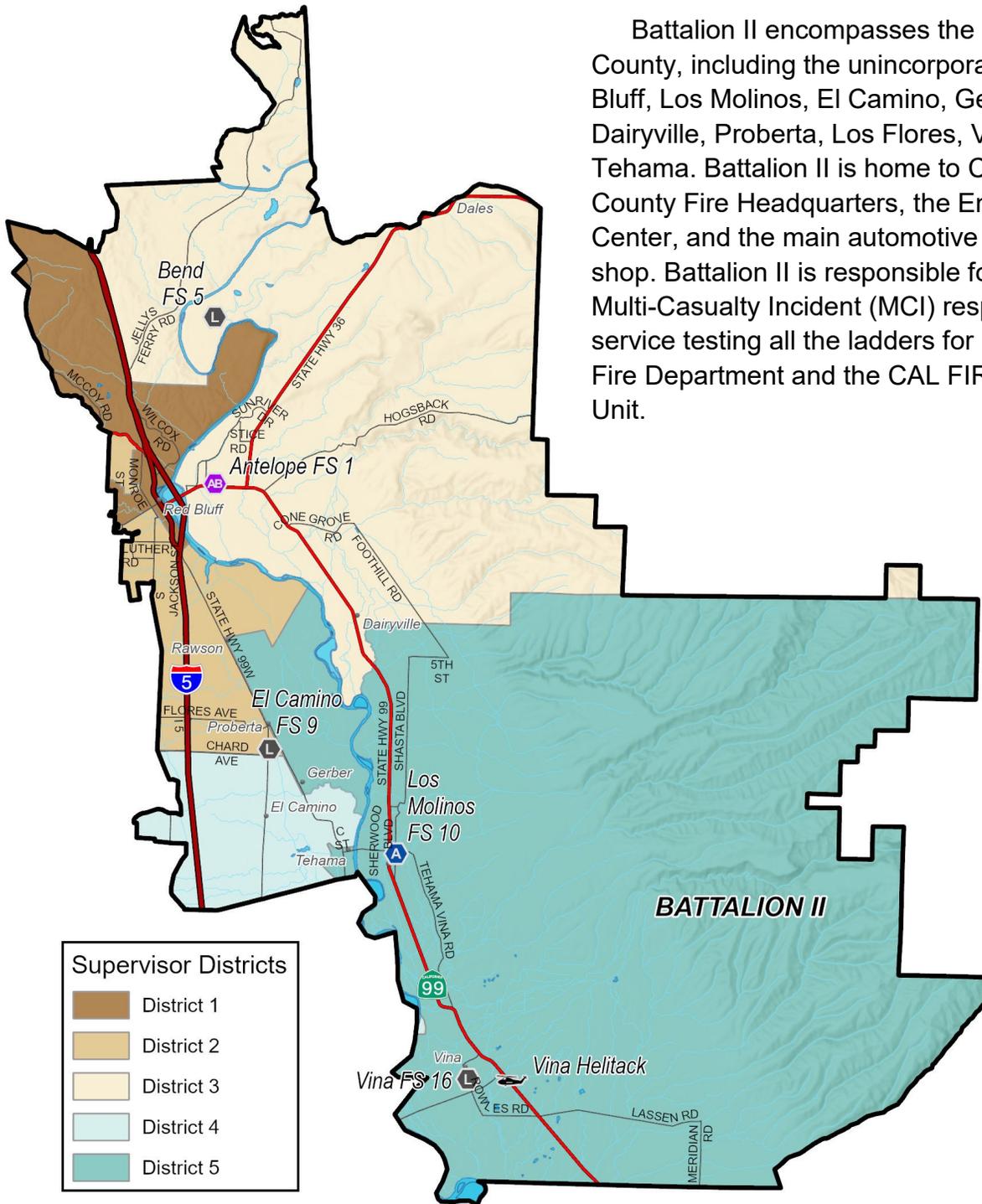
125 Calls



# BATTALION II - DISTRICTS 1-5

## EAST DIVISION

Battalion II encompasses the central part of the County, including the unincorporated areas of Red Bluff, Los Molinos, El Camino, Gerber, Bend, Dairyville, Proberta, Los Flores, Vina, and the City of Tehama. Battalion II is home to CAL FIRE/ Tehama County Fire Headquarters, the Emergency Command Center, and the main automotive fleet maintenance shop. Battalion II is responsible for maintaining the Multi-Casualty Incident (MCI) response trailer, and service testing all the ladders for both Tehama County Fire Department and the CAL FIRE Tehama-Glenn Unit.

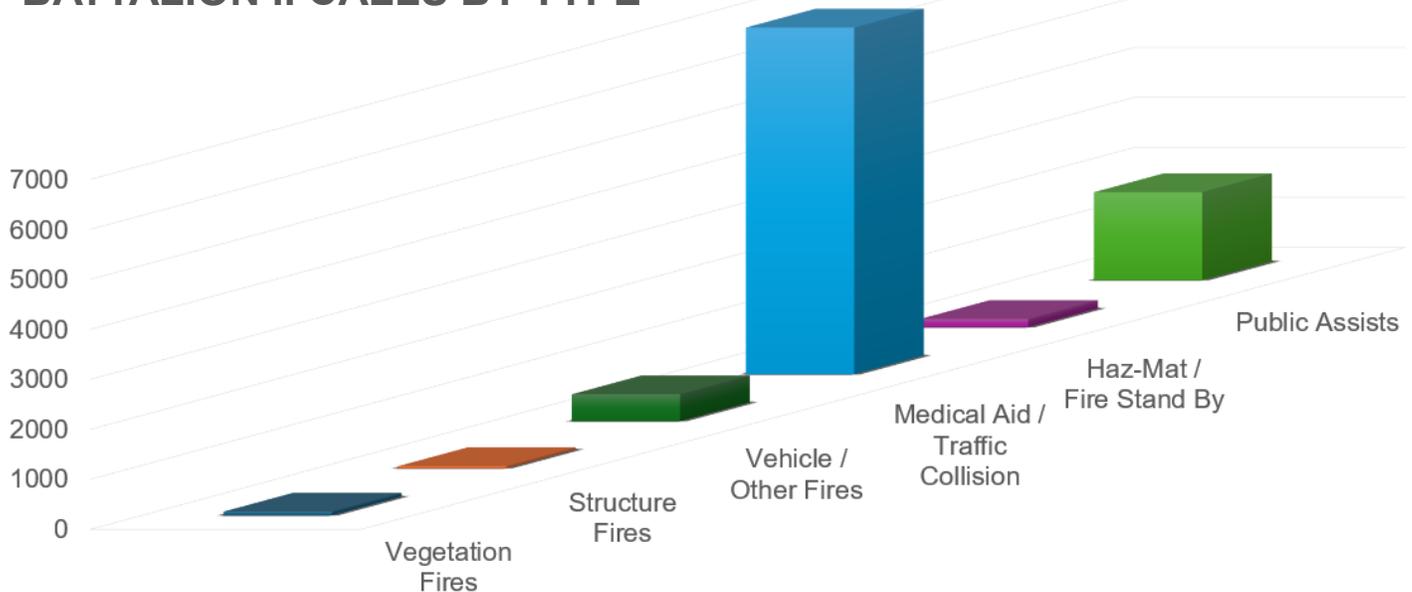


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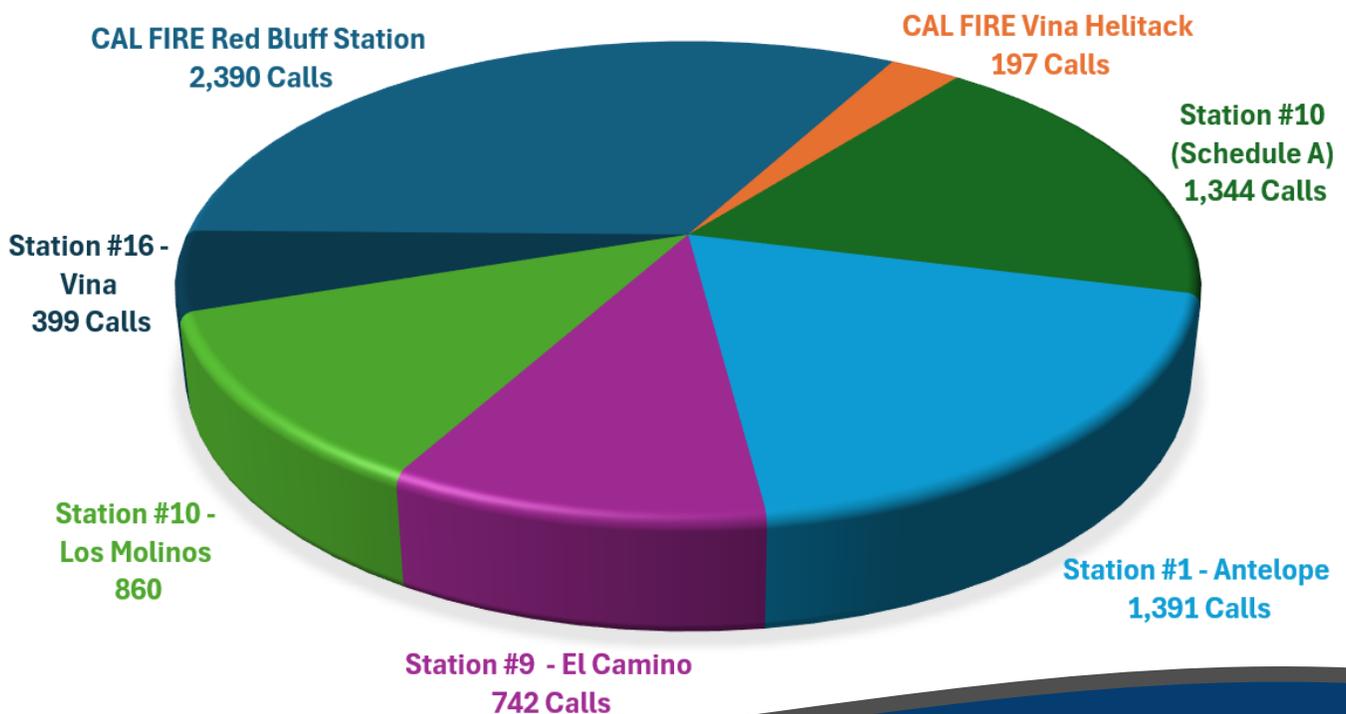
## BATTALION II CALL VOLUME BREAKDOWN



### BATTALION II CALLS BY TYPE



### CALLS BY BATTALION II STATIONS





# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

## BATTALION II STATION BREAKDOWN

### TCFD STATION 1

ANTELOPE

*Established 1973*

6 Volunteers

1 Fire Engine  
1 Tactical Water Tender  
1 Rescue Squad  
1 Breathing Support

1,391 Calls

### TCFD STATION 9

EL CAMINO

*Established 1958*

9 Volunteers

2 Fire Engines  
1 Water Tender

742 Calls

### TCFD STATION 5

BEND

*Established 1962*

**NO ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS  
AT THIS TIME**

### TCFD STATION 10

LOS MOLINOS

*Established 1961*

4 Volunteers

1 Fire Engine  
1 Water Tender  
1 Rescue Squad

860 Calls

# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

## BATTALION II STATION BREAKDOWN



### STATION 10

LOS MOLINOS

*Schedule A*

1 Fire Captain  
3 Engineers  
2 Firefighters

1 Fire Engine

1,344 Calls

### TCFD STATION 16

VINA

*Established 1983*

3 Volunteers

1 Fire Engine  
1 Tactical Water Tender

399 Calls

### CAL FIRE

RED BLUFF HQ

*Amador Station*

2 Fire Captains  
4 Engineers  
10 Firefighters  
3 HFEO's

2 Fire Engines  
1 Bulldozer

2,390 Calls

### CAL FIRE

VINA HELITACK BASE

*Staffed Year-Round*

9 Fire Captains  
6 Pilots  
4 Engineers  
15 Firefighters

1 Type I Helicopter

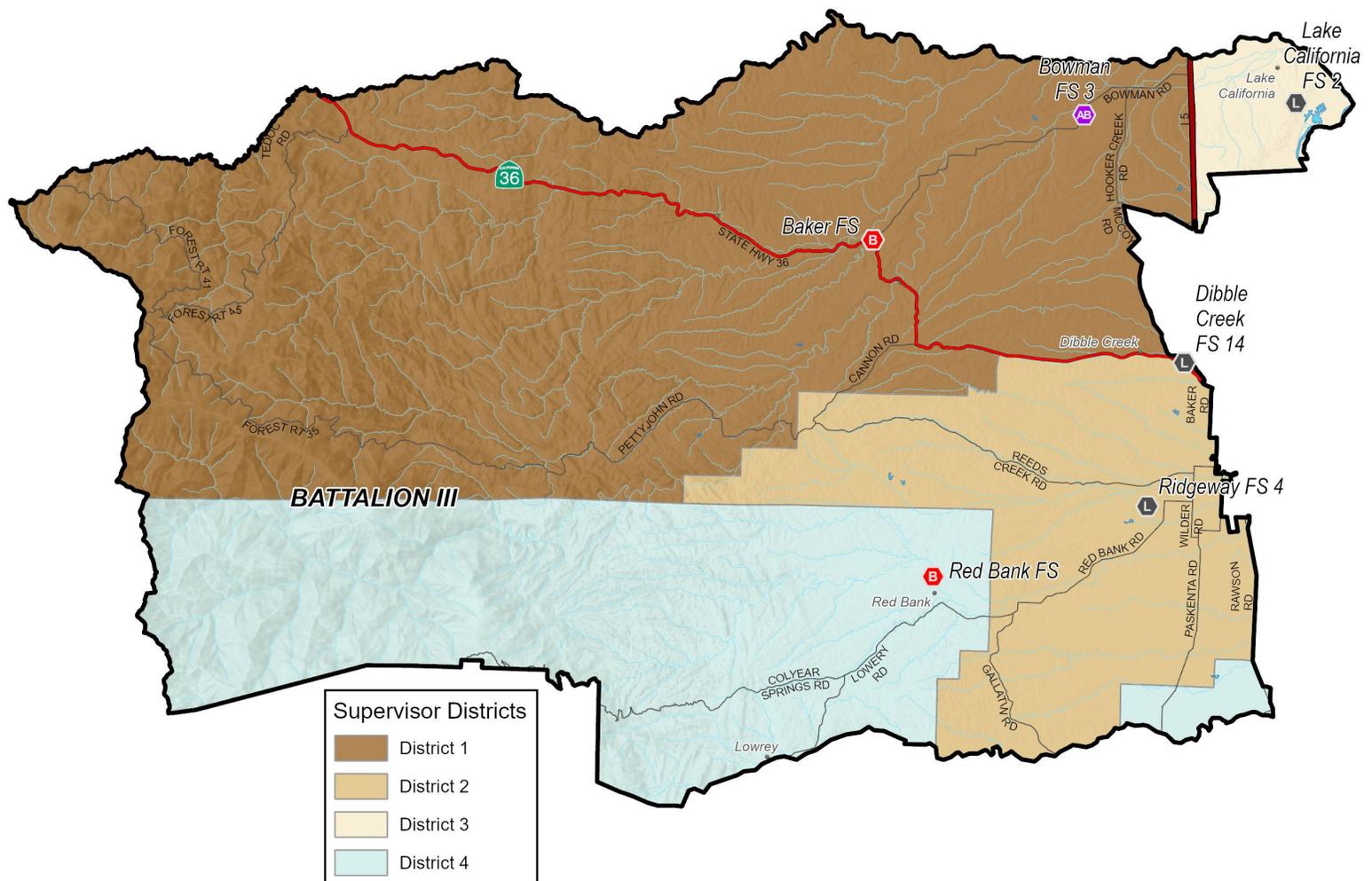
197 Calls



# BATTALION III - DISTRICTS 1-4

## WEST DIVISION

Battalion III is located in the northwest portion of Tehama County and includes the communities of Lake California, Bowman, Dibble Creek, R-Wild Horse Ranch, Ridgeway, and Red Bank. The Battalion spans from the I-5 corridor, through west Red Bluff, to the western border of Tehama County. Battalion III administers the fire hose repair program for both the Tehama County Fire Department and the CAL FIRE Tehama-Glenn Unit.

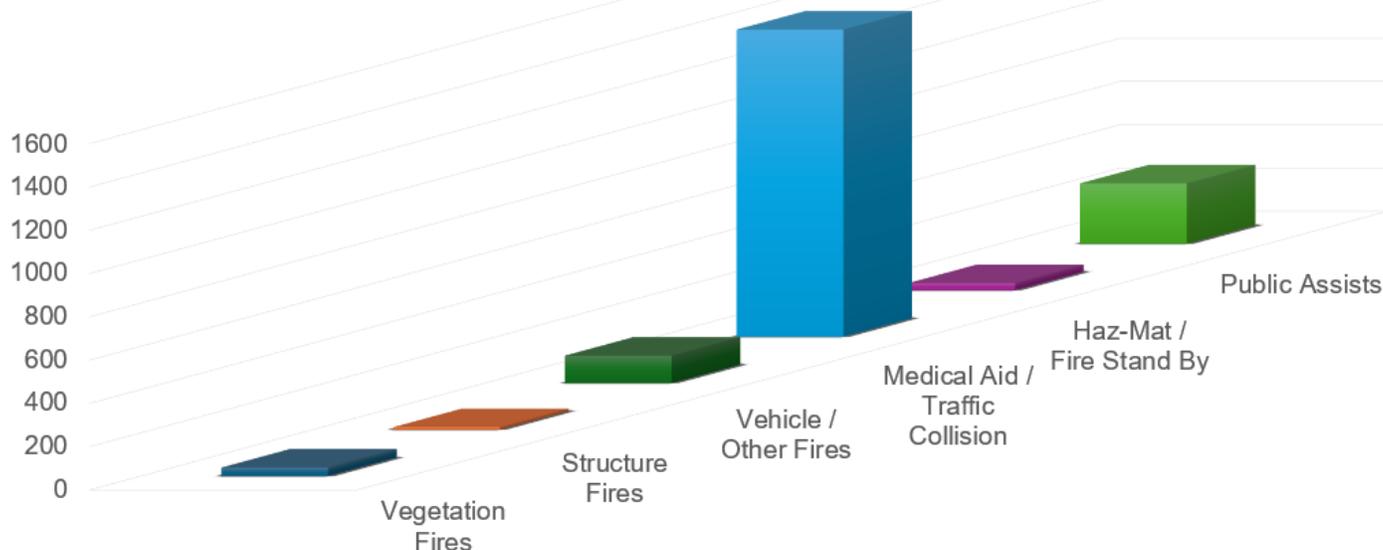


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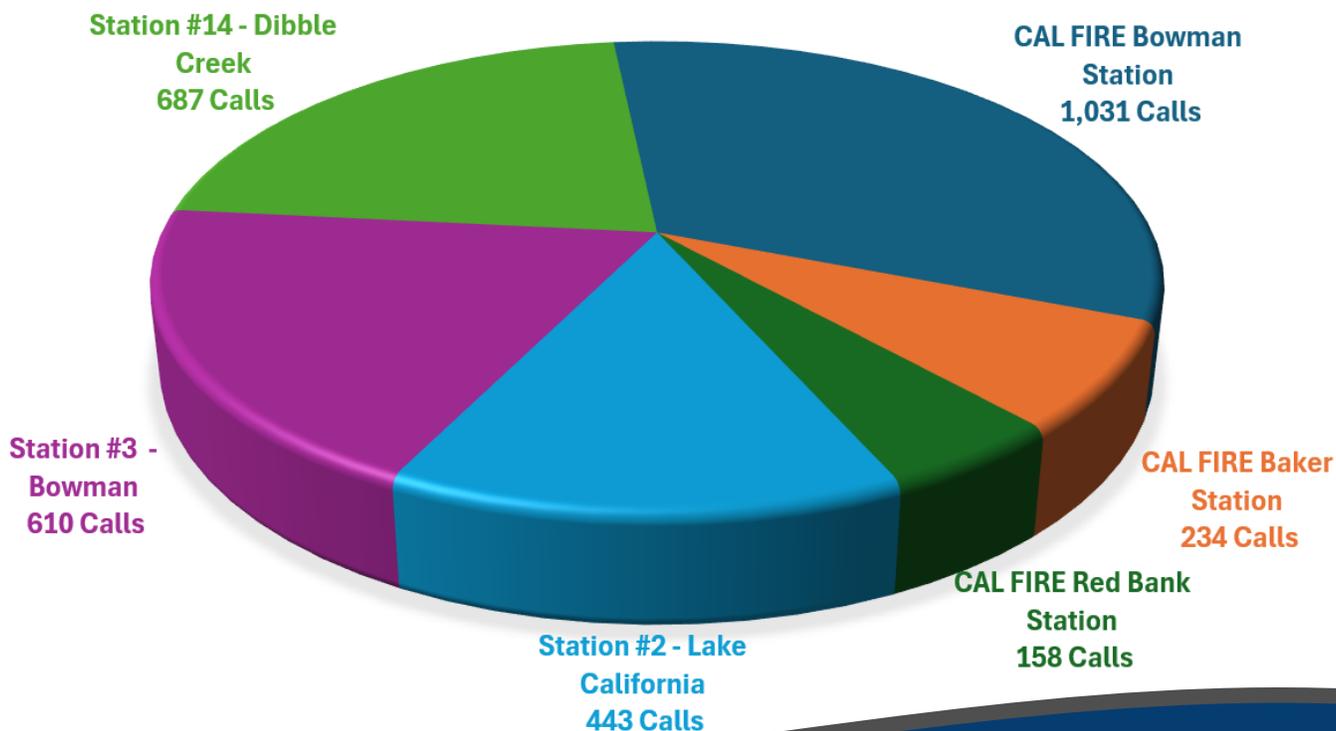
## BATTALION III CALL VOLUME BREAKDOWN



### BATTALION III CALLS BY TYPE



### CALLS BY BATTALION III STATIONS





# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

## BATTALION III STATION BREAKDOWN

### TCFD STATION 2

LAKE CALIFORNIA

*Established 1973*

8 Volunteers

2 Fire Engines

443 Calls

### TCFD STATION 3

BOWMAN

*Established 1973*

4 Volunteers

1 Fire Engine

1 Water Tender

1 Rescue Squad

610 Calls

### TCFD STATION 4

RIDGEWAY

*Established 1980*

**NO ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS  
AT THIS TIME**

### TCFD STATION 14

DIBBLE CREEK

*Established 1984*

10 Volunteers

2 Fire Engines

1 Tactical Water Tender

687 Calls

# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

## BATTALION III STATION BREAKDOWN



### CAL FIRE

#### BOWMAN STATION

*Amador Station*

3 Fire Captains  
3 Engineers  
3 Firefighters

1 Fire Engine

1,031 Calls

### CAL FIRE

#### BAKER STATION

*Staffed Year-Round*

2 Fire Captains  
4 Engineers  
11 Firefighters

2 Fire Engines

234 Calls

### CAL FIRE

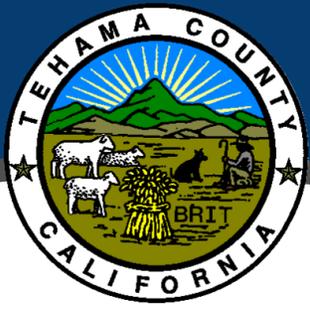
#### RED BANK STATION

*Staffed Year-Round*

3 Fire Captains  
3 Engineers  
3 Firefighters

1 Fire Engine

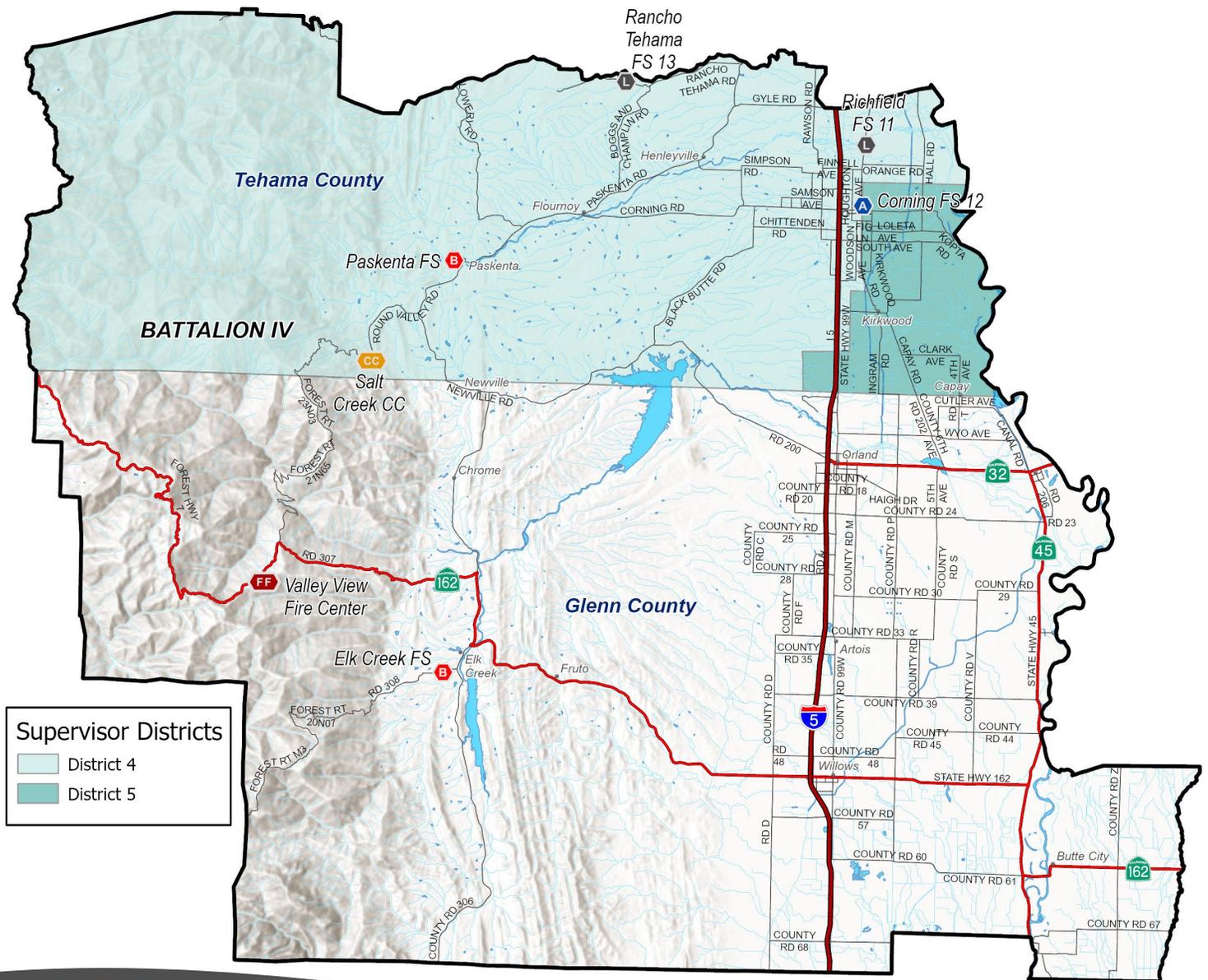
158 Calls



# BATTALION IV - DISTRICTS 4 & 5

## WEST DIVISION

Battalion IV encompasses the southern portion of Tehama County and all of the State Responsibility Areas (SRA) in Glenn County. The Battalion begins at Elder Creek in Tehama County, and runs south to the Glenn-Colusa County line. Communities within the Battalion include Richfield, Corning, Rancho Tehama, Flourney, Henleyville, Paskenta, Chrome, Grindstone Rancheria, Stonyford, and Elk Creek. Battalion IV is responsible for maintenance for all the Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and the Water Rescue Program for CAL FIRE/Tehama County Fire Department.

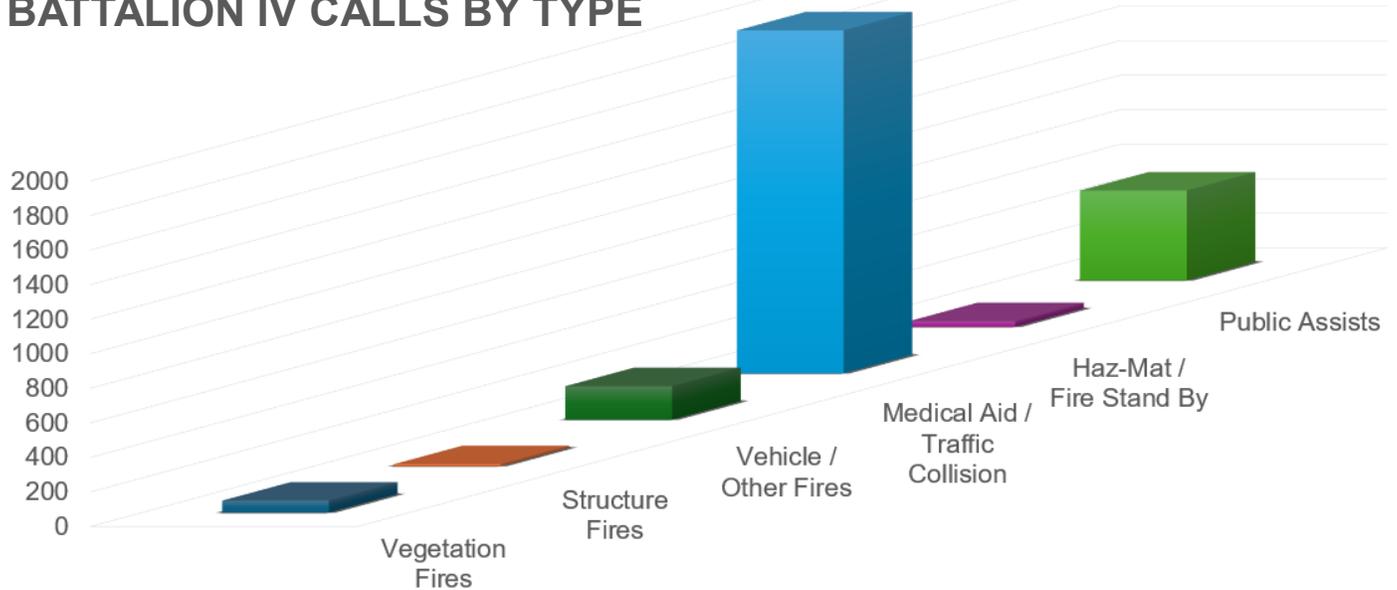


# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

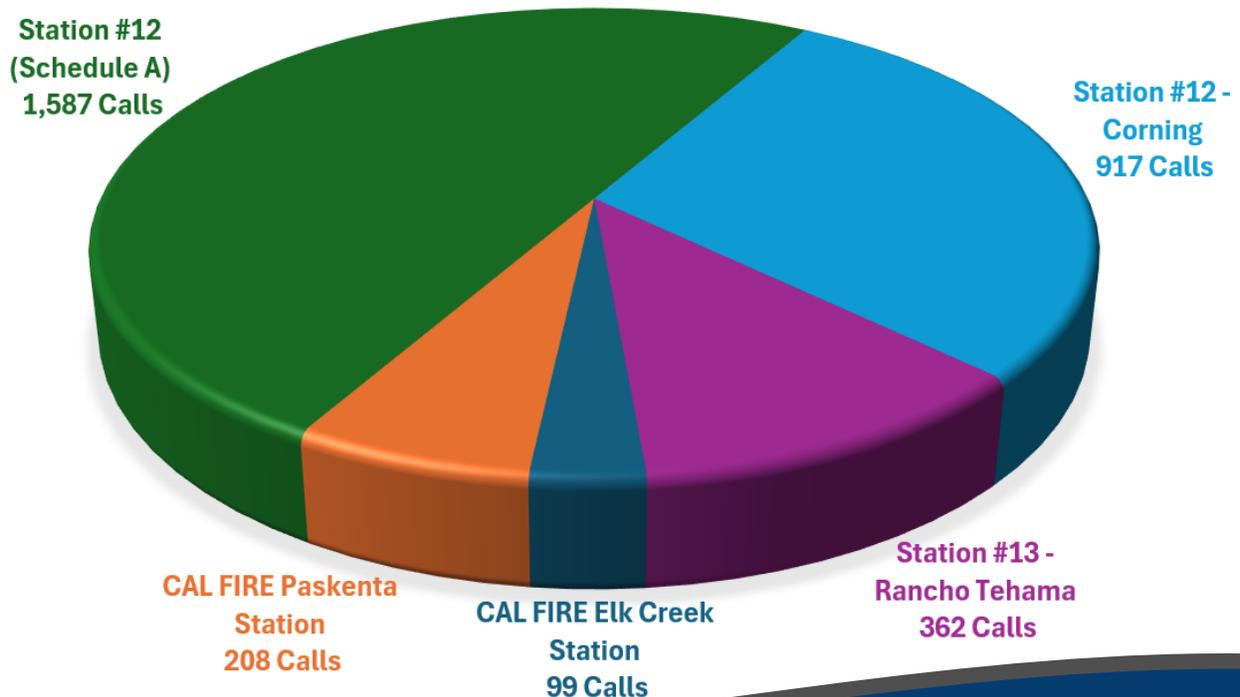
## BATTALION IV CALL VOLUME BREAKDOWN



### BATTALION IV CALLS BY TYPE



### CALLS BY BATTALION IV STATIONS





# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

## BATTALION IV STATION BREAKDOWN

### TCFD STATION 11

RICHFIELD

*Established 1959*

**NO ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS  
AT THIS TIME**

### TCFD STATION 12

CORNING

*Established 1962*

**6 Volunteers**

**2 Fire Engines  
1 Water Tender  
1 Rescue Squad**

**917 Calls**

### TCFD STATION 13

RANCHO TEHAMA

*Established 1972*

**6 Volunteers**

**2 Fire Engines**

**362 Calls**

### STATION 12

CORNING

*Schedule A*

**1 Fire Captain  
3 Engineers  
2 Firefighters**

**1 Fire Engine**

**1,587 Calls**

# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

## BATTALION IV STATION BREAKDOWN



### CAL FIRE

#### PASKENTA STATION

*Staffed Year-Round*

2 Fire Captains  
4 Engineers  
10 Firefighters

2 Fire Engines

208 Calls

### CAL FIRE

#### ELK CREEK STATION

*Staffed in Peak Staffing*

2 Fire Captains  
4 Engineers  
10 Firefighters

2 Fire Engines

99 Calls

### CAL FIRE

#### SALT CREEK CONSERVATION CAMP

12 Fire Captains  
3 HFEO's

3 Fire Crews  
1 Bulldozer

101 Calls

### CAL FIRE

#### VALLEY VIEW FIRE CENTER

10 Fire Captains  
9 Engineers  
120 Firefighters

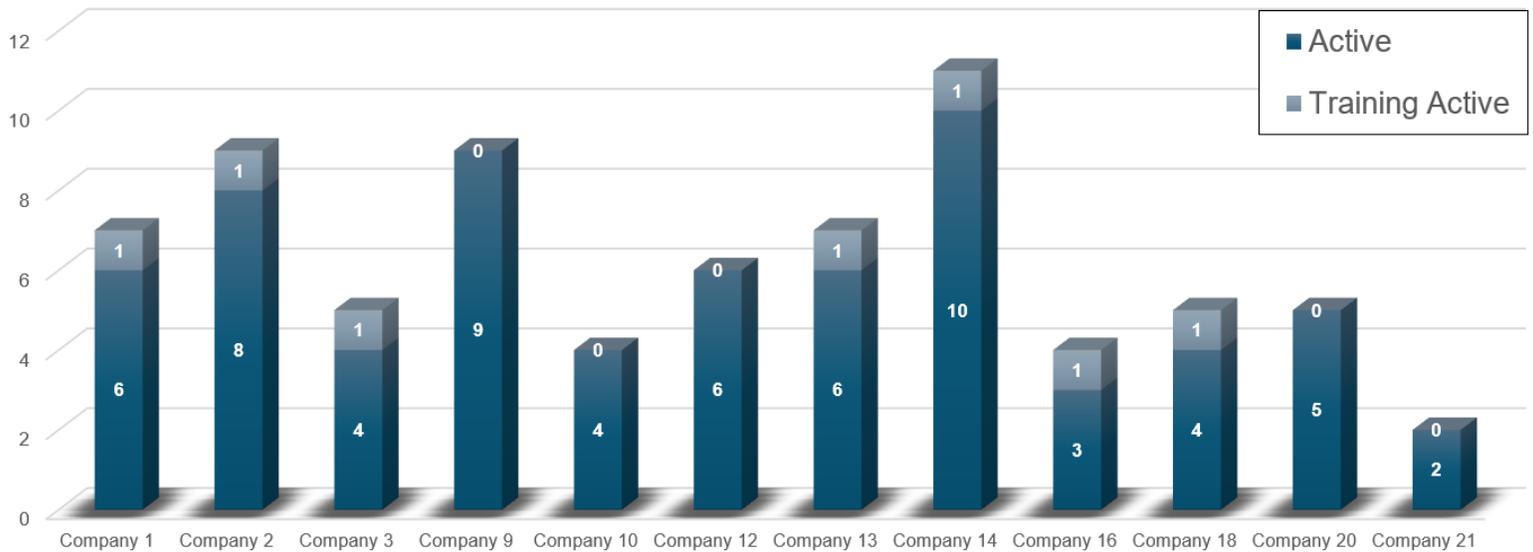
3 Fire Crews

113 Calls



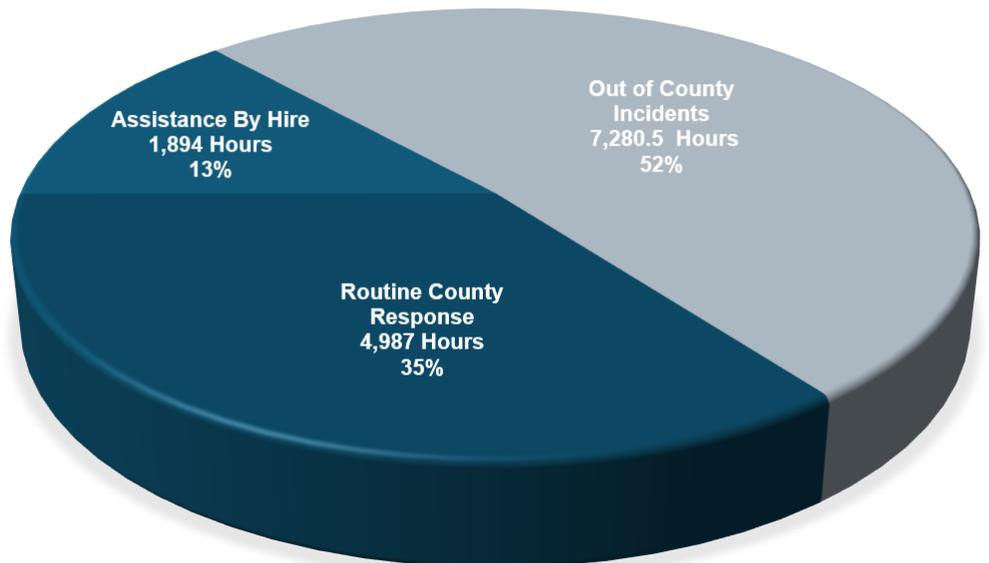
# TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER BREAKDOWN

## VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS BY COMPANY



- Assistance By Hire (ABH) hours are accumulated when Volunteer Firefighters are used to staff fire engines at CAL FIRE stations during times of state resource draw-down. The hours are also accumulated when volunteer firefighters are committed to State Responsibility Area fires longer than two hours.
- Routine county response hours are accumulated from everyday calls for service. This includes medical aids, public service requests, traffic collisions, fires, smoke checks, etc.

## 2025 VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER INCIDENT HOURS



- Out of county assignments included 657 hours on the Eaton Fire, 1,944 hours on the Palisades Fire, 1,597.5 hours on the Pickett Fire, and 3,082 hours on the Gifford Fire.

**TOTAL INCIDENT HOURS: 14,161**

# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

## NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS



A 15-year waterproofing coat was applied on the roof at Station 3 – Bowman.

A new roof was installed on the barracks at Station 12 – Corning.

A new well pump and tank was installed at Fire Station 11 – Richfield.

Entered into agreement with First Due Software for Pre-Incident Planning, Fire Inspections, and Response Routing.

Purchased Tablet Command for 'Schedule A' Engines.

Received Final Approval of Hazard Mitigation Plan.

A new OAllI, Sarah Longchamps, was hired for Training, and later moved to full time coverage at the Fire Marshal's Office.

Purchased 2 used fire engines from Butte County Fire Department.

Water Tenders 914 and 916 were delivered and placed in service. Purchase was approved by the B.O.S. on 12/6/2022.

Two new F-250 pickups were placed in service, for the Fire Marshal and the Training Captain.

Purchased 6 handheld BK radios with a Homeland Security Grant.

Five new Type 6 Engines were placed in service.

Purchased Tactical Wildland Pants for Volunteers to ensure the best PPE is available.

Implemented PPE tracking program including compliance inspections.

Purchase of new Type 1 Fire Engine was approved by the B.O.S. on 12/16/2025. It will be at Station 12 – Corning.

Updated the Auto Aid Agreement with Corning City Fire Department.

Drilled a new well at Station 21 - Paynes Creek, which was destroyed during the Park Fire.

Purchased additional PPE for Volunteers with the VFC Grant.



# TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE VOLUNTEER TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

## REQUIRED TRAINING TO BECOME AN ACTIVE VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER IN TEHAMA COUNTY

### Mandated training prior to responding to incidents:

- 32-hour Basic Operations Class
- 24-hour Hazardous Materials FRO
- 32-hour Public Safety-First Aid  
(including CPR/AED)
- 4-hour Communicable Disease Awareness
  - 2-hour Defensive Driver

To remain active, TCFD Volunteer Firefighters must attend trainings, complete annual recertifications, and complete their annual Respiratory Protection Program (RPP) review.

- 4-hour Public Safety-First Aid (re-cert)
- 2-hour Communicable Disease Awareness (re-cert)
  - 4-hour C.P.R. (re-cert)
- 4-hour Hazardous Materials FRO (re-cert)



# 67

**CURRENT ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS**

# 7

**TRAINING ACTIVE  
VOLUNTEERS**

# 8

**NEW VOLUNTEER  
APPLICANTS**

# 94

**INITIAL TRAINING  
HOURS**

# 48

**REQUIRED ANNUAL  
TRAINING HOURS**

## TYPICAL VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER DUTIES

As a member of TCFD, you will respond to a full range of all-risk emergencies. This includes structure, vegetation, and vehicle fires, as well as medical aids, traffic collisions, and other emergencies. You may also assist in facility, grounds, and equipment maintenance.

# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE TRAINING BUREAU



The CAL FIRE/Tehama County Fire Department (TCFD) Training Bureau is dedicated to ensuring the highest quality service to the public by developing the skills and capabilities of both career and volunteer personnel. The Training Bureau is staffed by one Battalion Chief, three Fire Captains, and one Analyst I, ensuring all trainings are designed to be efficient, effective, and aligned with the needs of the community, the Department, and all personnel.

In 2025, the Training Bureau provided instruction and support to approximately 74 active and training active TCFD Volunteer Firefighters. Training is presented through a combination of hands-on exercises, classroom instruction, and online courses. Online courses are provided through Vector Solutions, a cost-effective, self-paced platform that tracks certifications and maintains vital training records.

Collectively, TCFD volunteers completed 2,049 hours of training in 2025, strengthening departmental readiness, enhancing firefighter safety, and improving community protection.



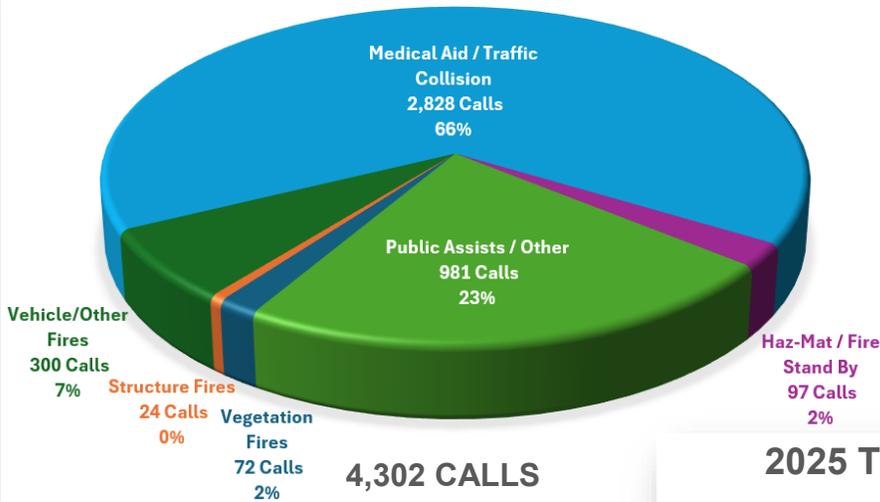


# RED BLUFF ECC EMERGENCY COMMAND CENTER

The CAL FIRE Tehama-Glenn Unit Emergency Command Center (TGU ECC) is a full-service command and control center that provides dispatch services to state and local fire agencies within Tehama and Glenn Counties. A total of 28 fire stations, 2 conservation camps, 1 fire center and 1 helitack base are dispatched by the TGU ECC. The TGU ECC is also contracted to provide dispatch services to Dignity Health Ambulance (serving St. Elizabeth Hospital) and the Red Bluff City Fire Department.

The TGU ECC is a secondary public safety answering point (PSAP) that is staffed 24 hours, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. The TGU ECC staffing consists of 1 Battalion Chief, 6 Fire Captains, 1 Communications Supervisor and 5 Communications Operators. In 2025, the TGU ECC dispatched 14,517 calls for service. The pie charts below depicts the 4,302 dispatched calls in the LRA\* within Tehama County. There were an additional 2,882 dispatched calls in the SRA\*\* within Tehama and Glenn Counties.

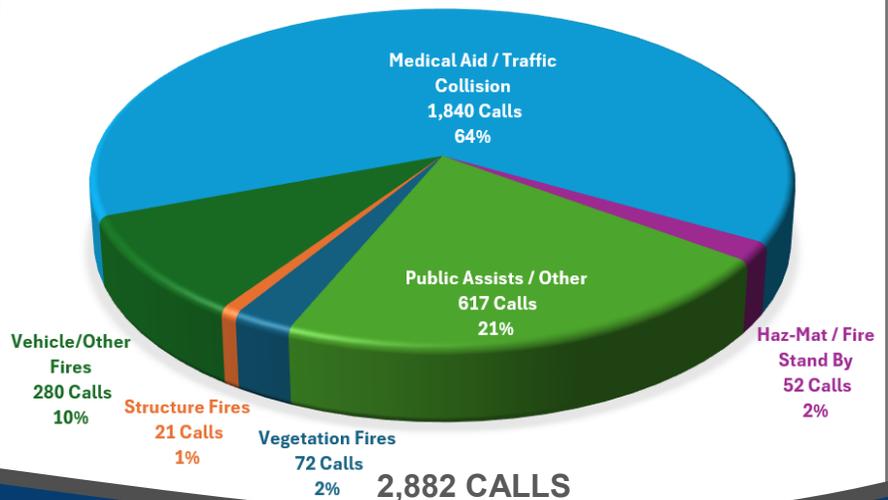
## 2025 TEHAMA COUNTY LRA INCIDENT TOTALS



**TOTAL COMBINED  
CAL FIRE/TCFD  
CALLS: 7,184**

**TOTAL ECC  
DISPATCHED CALLS  
CALLS: 14,517**  
(Total is for all agencies dispatched including CAL FIRE/TCFD)

## 2025 TEHAMA & GLENN COUNTY SRA INCIDENT TOTALS



\*Local Responsibility Area (LRA)

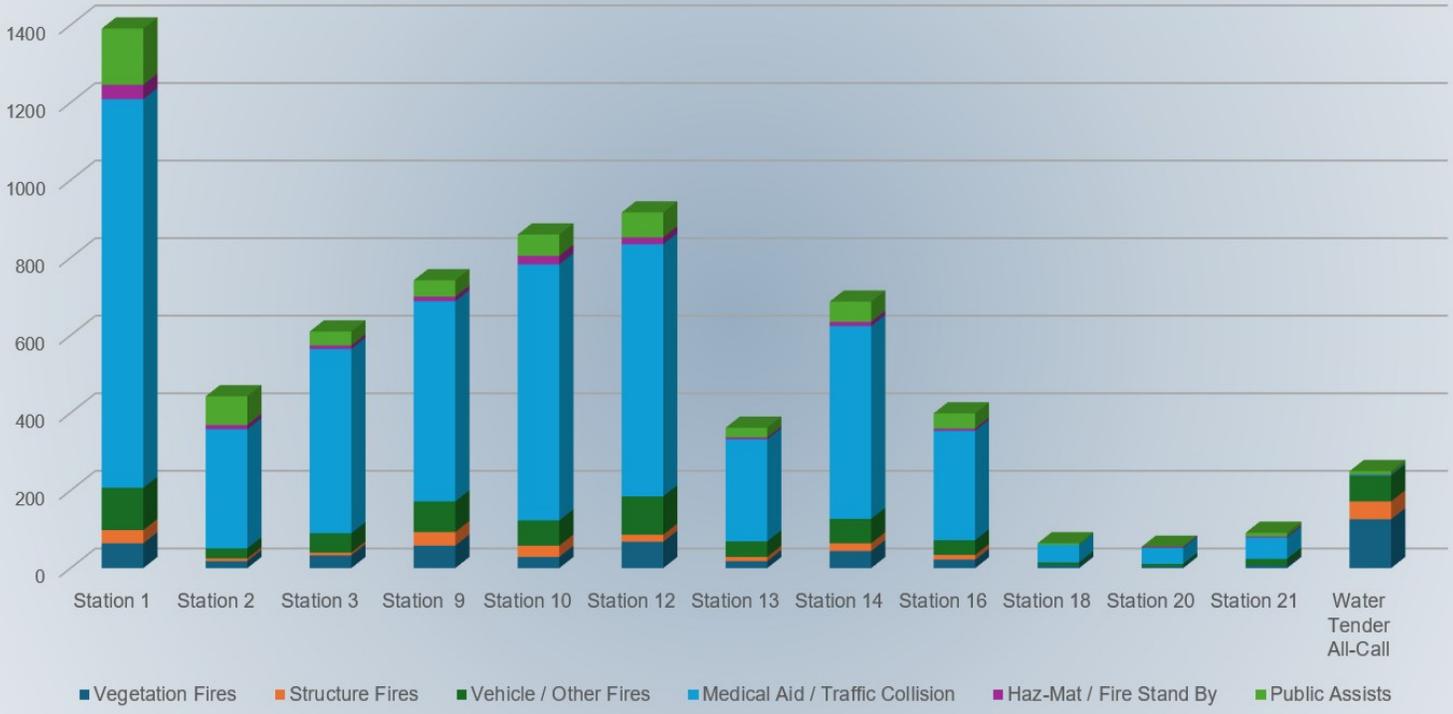
\*\*State Responsibility Area (SRA)

# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

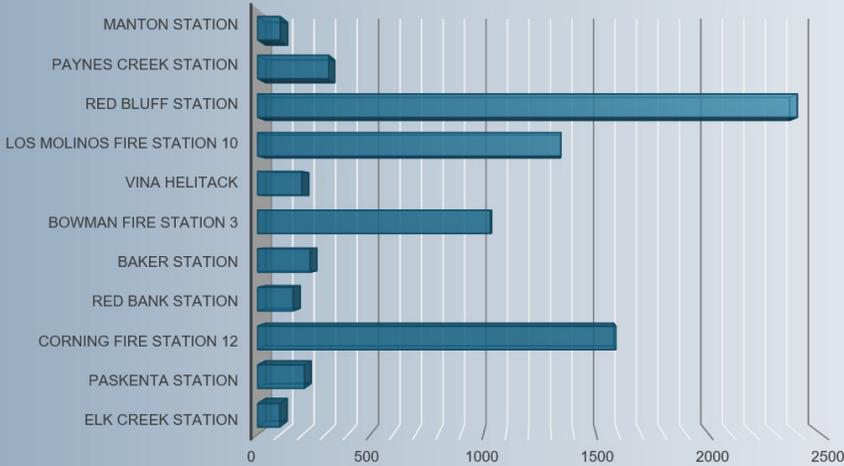
## CALL VOLUME BREAKDOWN



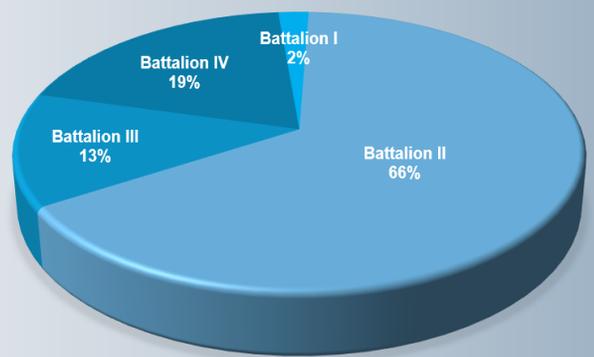
### CALL VOLUME BY TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE STATIONS



### CALL VOLUME BY CAL FIRE STAFFED STATIONS



### CALL VOLUME BY BATTALIONS





# PUBLIC INFORMATION (PIO) EDUCATION & COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Information and Education staff participated in over 70 events in 2025, including the Red Bluff Round-Up, Tehama District Fair, Manton Apple Festival, Corning Olive Festival, Red Bluff and Corning Christmas Parades, and the Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots Toy Drive. Personnel also attended multiple Career Day events throughout the county. Approximately 24,000 public contacts were made during these events. CAL FIRE/Tehama County Fire Department, and Volunteers in Prevention (VIP's) personnel completed approximately 1,400 hours supporting fire prevention events. 1,000 media contacts were made providing information on current emergencies, as well as general fire and life safety information.

Information and education staff continue social media posts on volunteer opportunities, fuel reduction projects, training, public events, and emergency incidents that have taken place in the Tehama-Glenn Unit. Content is posted on CAL FIRE/TCFD social media accounts. The CAL FIRE/TCFD Facebook Page has 18,000 followers and the CAL FIRE/TCFD "X" Page has 3,685 followers.



# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

## MOBILE EQUIPMENT & REPAIR



The CAL FIRE/Tehama County Fire Automotive Program consists of a Forestry Equipment Manager, four state mechanics, two county mechanics, and nine state Heavy Fire Equipment Operators. The automotive program utilizes four different shop locations, one at Red Bluff Headquarters, and one at each of the unit's conservation camps and fire center, to maintain over 235 pieces of state equipment and 71 pieces of county equipment.

Automotive program staff have the expertise and knowledge to repair equipment and fabricate new parts when necessary, providing emergency repairs around the clock. Staff receive up-to-date training on fire pump repairs and electronic controlled devices used on today's fire apparatus by attending annual State Fire Marshal training courses.

Over 95% of all repairs are done in-house, reducing the overall cost of maintaining the fleet, especially when compared to outsourcing these services. With an average fleet age of over 21 years, the county's fire engines, water tenders, and rescue squads rely on in-house repairs to keep the fleet in service and ready to respond to emergency calls.

### TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE & CAL FIRE TGU RESOURCES

TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT		CAL FIRE TEHAMA-GLENN UNIT	
FIRE STATIONS	15	FIRE STATIONS	8
FIRE ENGINES	27	FIRE ENGINES	19
RESCUE SQUADS	6	BULLDOZERS	3
WATER TENDERS	10	HELITACK BASE	1
INCIDENT/BREATHING SUPPORT UNIT	1	FIRE CENTER	1
ADMINISTRATION VEHICLES	10	CONSERVATION CAMPS	2
HAZMAT DECON SUPPORT UNIT	1	LOOKOUTS	3
MCI TRAILER	1	EMERGENCY COMMAND CENTER	1



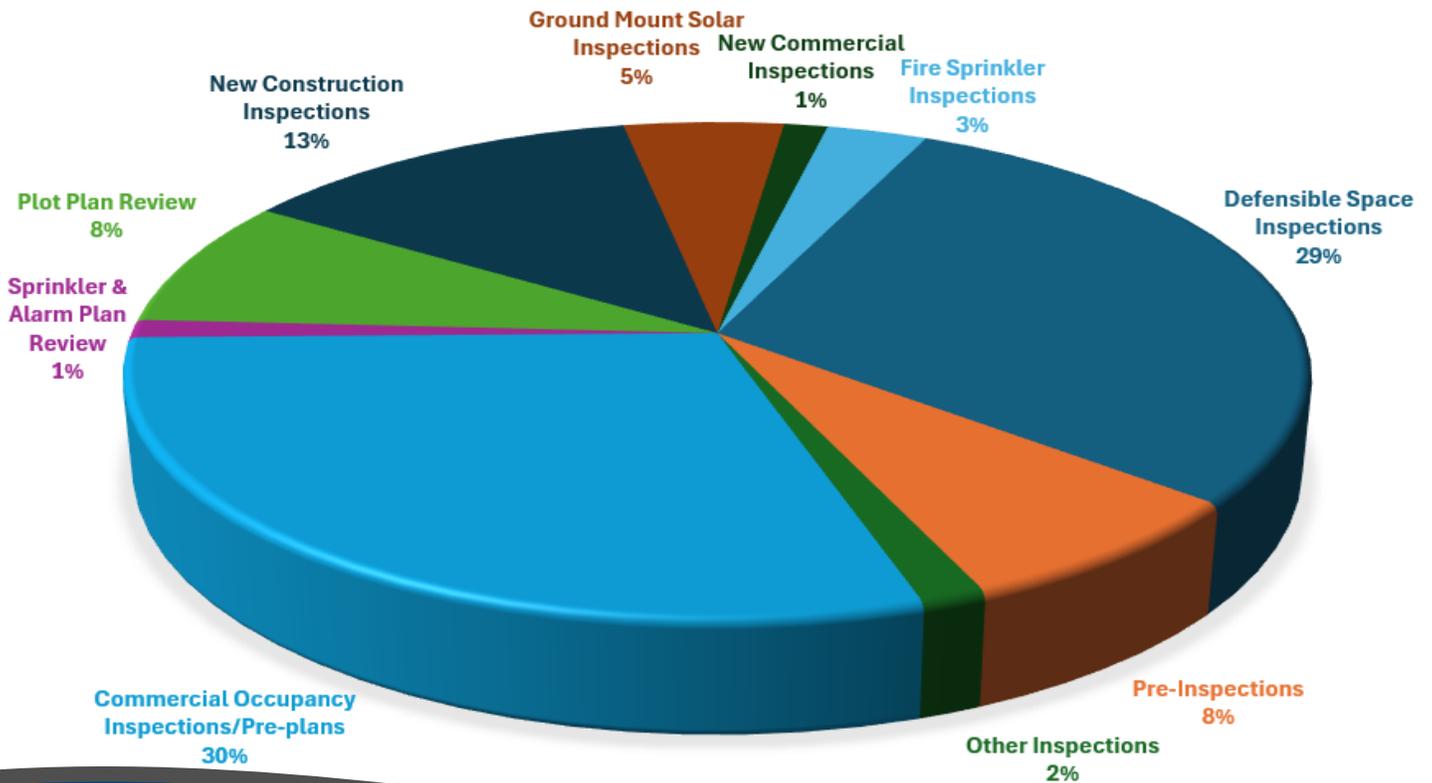


# CAL FIRE / TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION & PLANNING BUREAU

The Tehama County Fire Protection and Planning Bureau consists of the Tehama County Fire Marshal, two Tehama County Fire Safety Inspectors, and one Office Assistant III. As mandated by California Fire Code and Tehama County Ordinances, the Fire Marshal's Office enforces fire safety standards while providing direction, information, and education to the citizens of Tehama County. These standards prevent injury to the general public, as well as reducing fire and production loss to commercial properties. The Fire Marshal is an active member of the Tehama County Technical Advisory Committee (TAC), where new subdivisions, parcel splits, roads, and special developments within Tehama County are reviewed and conditioned to meet land development standards.

During 2025, the Tehama County Fire Safety Inspectors completed 2,897 total facility inspections. The Inspectors drove 18,105 miles, logged 968 hours of inspections/public education contacts, and answered over 1,215 phone calls. Of the total inspections, 938 were defensible space inspections and 1,959 were new building/commercial compliance inspections within Tehama County. Inspectors also participated in events throughout the year, including the Tehama District Fair, 4th of July Firework enforcement patrols, and community parades.

## 2025 PROTECTION AND PLANNING OPERATIONS



# TEHAMA GLENN UNIT PRE-FIRE PLANNING PROGRAM



The Tehama-Glenn Unit Pre-Fire Planning program is a critical component of California's strategy to mitigate wildfire risks and protect communities. Crews from Ishi Conservation Camp, Salt Creek Conservation Camp, Valley View Fire Center, and fire station personnel work diligently on fuel reduction projects within Tehama County. The goals of the fuel reduction efforts are to:

### Reduce Fire Hazard and Risk:

**Fuels Reduction:** By reducing the amount of flammable material, the program helps to slow the spread of wildfires, reduce their intensity, and protect communities.

**Strategic Planning:** The program aligns with state and federal wildfire plans, ensuring a coordinated approach to emergencies.

### Protect Lives and Property:

**Community Protection:** By targeting high-risk areas, the program helps to safeguard homes, businesses, and critical infrastructure.

**Evacuation Planning:** The program encourages emergency preparedness and evacuation planning to minimize loss of life and property damage.

**Community Engagement:** Effective communication and collaboration with local communities are essential for successful implementation of the program.

### Preserve Ecosystems:

**Forest Health:** By reducing fuel loads, the program helps to improve forest health and reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfires that can devastate ecosystems.

**Climate Change Mitigation:** Healthy forests act as carbon sinks, helping to mitigate climate change. By reducing wildfire risk, the program contributes to long-term forest health and carbon sequestration.

## 2025 FUELS REDUCTION IN TEHAMA COUNTY





# FIRE PREVENTION LAW ENFORCEMENT BUREAU



In 2025, the CAL FIRE Tehama-Glenn Unit Fire Prevention Bureau observed an increase in fires across both the State Responsibility Area (SRA) and Local Responsibility Area (LRA). Bureau Law Enforcement Officers investigated a total of 265 fires, up from 221 investigations compared to the previous year. Of these, 134 fires occurred within the LRA. The bureau investigated 18 arson-related fires in the LRA and 6 arson-related fires in the SRA last year.

The estimated total loss from fires in the LRA was \$2,666,220, while the total property saved was estimated at \$17,385,500. CAL FIRE Prevention and Law Enforcement Officers conducted thorough investigations that led to arrests or citations for numerous human-caused fires, with multiple arson-related cases still under active investigation. Escaped control burns continue to be a leading cause of wildland fires. Through ongoing public education initiatives, the bureau remains committed to reducing preventable fires and promoting community safety.

CAL FIRE, in partnership with Tehama County Fire, continued conducting defensible space inspections in both the SRA and LRA. Utilizing State-funded Defensible Space Inspectors alongside County Fire Inspectors, a total of 11,564 inspections were completed. These inspections provided property owners with education, guidance, and enforcement to maintain defensible space around structures, further enhancing wildfire safety.

## DEFENSIBLE SPACE

Local Responsibility Area (LRA)

**938 Inspections**

State Responsibility Area (SRA)

**10,626 Inspections**

# TEHAMA COUNTY FIRE

## VOLUNTEER YEARS OF SERVICE



### 45 TO 50 YEARS

Al Blomquist      Cliff Rowen

### 40 TO 45 YEARS

John Frehse  
Karl Anderson  
Ruth Ann Rowen

### 30 TO 40 YEARS

Steve Zane  
Curt Hewitt  
Dan Foster  
Dave Doughty  
John Lacy  
Ken Johnson  
Pam Anderson  
Warren Price

### 20 TO 30 YEARS

Bob Griffith  
James White  
John Southworth  
Karen Brose  
Marcia Burchiel  
Marion Rocksvold  
Robert Cords  
William Spidle

### 10 TO 20 YEARS

Brandon Votaw  
Chetwyn Chong  
Cody Lester  
Joseph Medellin  
Kevin Wade  
Larry Dagen  
Marnie Beitz  
Mary Moreland  
Nicholas Simpson  
Sherri Burns

### 5 TO 10 YEARS

Aaron Latourell	Christopher Wikeen	Ross Palubeski
Ariana Ventura	Halley Rowen	Sarah Mayberry
Brad Beecham	Jason Long	Steven Gothan
Bryan Jennings	Niklas Beeman	Trevor Brooke

### 0 TO 5 YEARS

24 Volunteers

### COMBINED YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

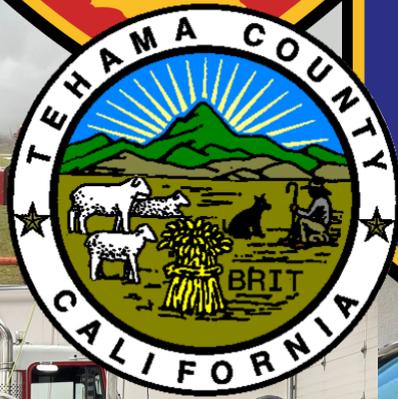
1,000 Years of Service

### TOTAL AVERAGE EXPERIENCE

15 Years of Service

Our volunteer firefighters demonstrate a strong sense of duty by dedicating consistent effort, along with their time and skills to respond to the needs of our community. Their reliable commitment and professionalism are essential to the effective operation of the department.

DEDICATED TO THE PROTECTION OF LIFE,  
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