

# Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District

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## Board of Directors

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Mikey Schilber, Secretary  
Joe Camara, Director  
Mark Paulsen, Director

Rick Mello, Fire Chief

Post Date: June 6, 2022

Board of Directors Meeting  
1531 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Escalon, CA 95320  
June 9, 2022, at 4 P.M.

### REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

#### \*NOTICE TO ALL WHO ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS IN PERSON

The Regular meeting is open to the public. As a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, all attendees must abide by the current CDC and State of California protocols, guidance and recommendations regarding social distancing and wearing masks. Occupancy in the District Office will be limited to the number of people who are able to maintain the minimum required social distance. Members of the public who want to participate via telephone by calling the District at (209) 838-7500 a minimum of 24 hours prior to the meeting so telephonic appearance arrangements can be made.

#### I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

#### II. ROLL CALL

Laura Catrina, Board Chairperson  
Terry Pinheiro, Vice Chairperson  
Mickey Schilber, Secretary  
Joe Camara, Director  
Mark Paulsen, Director

#### III. PUBLIC COMMENT

This time is provided to the public to address the Board of Directors on items not on the Agenda which are within jurisdiction of the Board and are offered for the good of the District. Public comments regarding items on the Agenda should be given at the time of the item. Public comments are limited to 5 minutes per person.

#### IV. MINUTES

Approval of the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on May 12, 2022.

V. BILLS

Bills for the month of May in the amount of \$84,621.66.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

VII. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Update from the Policy Manual Committee

Presented by: Laura Catrina, Director  
Requested Action / Purpose:  
Attachments:

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of Resolution 22-1 Adopting Prop 4 Expenditure Limitations for 2022-2023 fiscal year.

Presented by:  
Requested Action / Purpose:  
Attachments:

B. Approval of Resolution 22-2 setting the Special Assessment Tax Rates.

Presented by:  
Requested Action / Purpose:  
Attachments:

X. ACCOUNCEMENTS OF FUTURE BOARD MEETINGS

Regular Board meetings are held the second Thursday of every month at 4:00 p.m. located at 1531 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Escalon, California. The next Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on July 14, 2022, at 4:00 p.m.

XI. CLOSED SESSION

A. No closed session

XII. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

**COVID-19 Guidelines**

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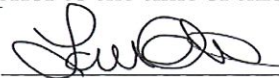
The Board President, Fire Chief or District Counsel will notify the public regarding any reportable action taken during closed session.

XIV. ADJOURN

XV. CERTIFICATION

I, Laura Catrina, Board Chairperson for the Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District, do hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing Agenda was posted at the District Office, 1749 Coley Avenue, Escalon, California 95320 at least 72 hours prior to the time of this Meeting.

Date: June 6, 2022



By: Laura Catrina, Board Chairperson

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ESCALON CONSOLIDATED FIRE  
PROTECTION DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MINUTES  
MAY 2022

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

The monthly Board of Directors meeting of the Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District was called to order by Director Laura Catrina at 4:02 p.m. on May 12, 2022.

II. ROLL CALL

Directors present Laura Catrina, Terry Pinheiro, Mickey Schilber, Joe Camara and Mark Paulsen.

Others present Fire Chief Rick Mello, Administrative Assistant Katy House, Battalion Chief Dan Morriss, Firefighter Engineer Dave Velasco, Reserve Firefighter Nathan Rodriguez, Volunteer Firefighter Alonzo Teixeira, Battalion Chief Moe Silva, Battalion Chief Joe Pelot, Firefighter Engineer Ryan Burr, Volunteer Firefighter Kaden Christensen, Firefighter Engineer Cassidy Bohannon, Kim Bohannon, Kyndall Bohannon, Zach Hogan, Billy Mekelburg, and Stacy Henderson.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. Employee of the District, Firefighter Engineer Cassidy Bohannon, addressed the Board for the purpose of responding to an internal investigation against the Employee. The Board listened to Firefighter Engineer Cassidy Bohannon's statements. No action was taken.

IV. MINUTES

Minutes for the meeting on March 10, 2022, were approved on a motion by Director Pinheiro and a second by Director Schilber.  
5-AYES 0-NAYES 0-ABSENT

Minutes for the meeting on April 14, 2022, were approved on a motion by Director Schilber and a second by Director Pinheiro.  
5-AYES 0-NAYES 0-ABSENT

V. BILLS

April bills in the amount of \$68,130.05 were approved to be paid on a motion by Director Camara and a second by Director Paulsen.

5-AYES 0-NAYES 0-ABSENT

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

A. No communications

VII. FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT - MAY 2022

A. Status of Fire Department

a. 71 calls for the month and 336 for 2022.

B. Training Division and Reserve/Volunteer Program

a. April Drills

- 4-5-2022 Wildland Progressive Hose Lays (10 participants)
- 4-13-2022 Wildland Mobile Attack (9 Participants)
- 4-21-2022 Water Rescue Review (12 Participants)
- 4-23-2022 Boat Training/Water Rescue (8hrs) (12 Participants)

- b. We are down to two of our last recruit group. We have three potential recruits in medical evaluations currently.
- c. Fill the Boot for Burns preparations are complete. It is being headed up by Kaden Christensen and Mark Bennett this year and are doing a great job.
- d. We have three applications that we will be reviewing and bringing in for interviews.
- e. We are looking at doing an in-house Driver/Operator 1A in the coming months.

C. Prevention

- a. Fire Prevention: Weed abatement has been effective. 75% of the first notices met compliance. Seven second notices have been issued. Communication with the property owners has been effective at helping to address some concerns.
- b. Business inspections have started. This is our first year since COVID where we can inspect all businesses in the district without any limitations.

D. Apparatus and Equipment

- a. E 1-4 got four new drive tires at Escalon Tire.
- b. E 1-1 went to Burns Truck & Trailer for maintenance on brakes and for oil leak repair.

E. Buildings and Grounds

- a. Nothing to report.

F. San Joaquin County Fire Chief's Association

- a. Meeting 5-4-22, general business. (unable to attend due to Academy Graduation).

G. San Joaquin County Radio Users Group

- a. Meeting 4-20-22, general business.

H. Miscellaneous

- a. After a two-year shutdown, Fill the Boot for Burns returns on May 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

A. Update from the Policy Manual Committee

- a. Policy Manual Committee working on itemized list for Board to review.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Preliminary Budget 2022 – 2023

- a. Approved on a motion by Director Schilber and a second by Director Paulsen.  
5-AYES 0-NAYES 0-ABSENT

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XI. CLOSED SESSION

A. Review of Retention of District Legal Counsel

Presented by: Terry Pinheiro, Director

Requested Action / Purpose: Government Code Section 54957(b) based upon public employee / independent contractor review of retention of district legal counsel.

Attachments:

XII. RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

XIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

- A. On a motion by Director Paulsen and a second by Director Pinheiro, Firefighter Engineer Cassidy Bohannon's request to speak to the five Board members with no one else present during a closed session meeting has been approved.

5-AYES 0-NAYES 0-ABSENT

- a. Motion denied due to violation of Brown Act Section 54954.5.

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**Profit & Loss Detail**  
May 2022

Type	Date	Name	Memo	Original Amou...	Paid Amo...	Balance
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>						
<b>Income</b>						
<b>Memorial Deposit</b>						
Deposit	05/19/2022	Escalon United Methodi...	DONATION	100.00	100.00	100.00
Total Memorial Deposit						
<b>Miscellaneous Income</b>						
Deposit	05/17/2022	Misc.	FILL THE BOOT CASH COUNT	23,004.00	23,004.00	23,004.00
Deposit	05/20/2022	Venmo	FILL THE BOOT VENMO COUNT	217.43	217.43	23,221.43
Deposit	05/23/2022	Misc.	FILL THE BOOT COIN DEPOSIT	447.31	447.31	23,668.74
Sales ...	05/31/2022	Burr, Ryan Uniform Pur...	Polo Shirt	40.00	40.00	23,708.74
Sales ...	05/31/2022	Rodriguez, Nathan	T-SHIRT	16.00	16.00	23,724.74
Sales ...	05/31/2022	Burr, Ryan Uniform Pur...	HAT	12.00	12.00	23,736.74
Total Miscellaneous Income						
				23,736.74		23,736.74
<b>Property Tax</b>						
Deposit	05/19/2022	County of San Joaquin	APR 2022	18,019.58	18,019.58	18,019.58
Deposit	05/20/2022	County of San Joaquin	APR 2022 ADV	617,594.13	617,594.13	635,613.71
Total Property Tax						
				635,613.71		635,613.71
Total Income						
				659,450.45		659,450.45
<b>Expense</b>						
<b>Capital Expense</b>						
Bill	05/19/2022	Burns Truck & Trailer	E 1-1 REPAIRS	12,310.12	12,310.12	12,310.12
Check	05/24/2022	Firefighters Burn Institute	TOTAL DONATIONS 2022	23,668.74	23,668.74	35,978.86
Total Capital Expense						
				35,978.86		35,978.86
<b>Communications</b>						
Bill	05/26/2022	AT&T	MONTHLY SERVICE	213.20	213.20	213.20
Bill	05/26/2022	Verizon Wireless	MONTHLY SERVICE	79.41	79.41	292.61
Total Communications						
				292.61		292.61
<b>Firefighter Safety Gear</b>						
Bill	05/10/2022	Safe Life Defense	12 BODY ARMOR BAGS	893.79	893.79	893.79



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Bill	05/26/2022	Cascade Fire Equipment	14- COAT BRUSH NOMEX 14- PANT BRUSH NOMEX	4,406.17	4,406.17	5,299.96
Bill	05/26/2022	Cascade Fire Equipment	2- HOSE PACK GREEN 2- HOSE PACK RED 2-SMALL WLD GLO...	558.75	558.75	5,858.71
Bill	05/31/2022	Cascade Fire Equipment	BOOT, AIRPOWER XR1	358.73	358.73	6,217.44
Total Firefighter Safety Gear						
Fuel						
Bill	05/10/2022	Valley Pacific Petroleum...	FUEL	852.42	852.42	852.42
Check	05/14/2022	H & M Market	GENERATOR FUEL	26.00	26.00	878.42
Check	05/14/2022	H & M Market	E 1-1 FUEL	100.00	100.00	978.42
Bill	05/19/2022	O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.	SMALL ENGINE FUEL	135.57	135.57	1,113.99
Credit...	05/24/2022	Flying J	FUEL	60.00	60.00	1,173.99
Bill	05/26/2022	Valley Pacific Petroleum...	FUEL	1,140.13	1,140.13	2,314.12
Total Fuel						
Health Insurance						
Bill	05/10/2022	CaliforniaChoice Benefit...	JUNE 2022	10,137.61	10,137.61	10,137.61
Bill	05/26/2022	Premier Access	JUNE 2022	1,097.19	1,097.19	11,234.80
Total Health Insurance						
Household						
Check	05/05/2022	Las Casuelas	LUNCH - FILL THE BOOT	40.17	40.17	40.17
Bill	05/10/2022	Modesto Bee	26 WEEKS SUBSCRIPTION	640.24	640.24	680.41
Bill	05/10/2022	Life-Assist	2 - LAERDAL SUCTION UNIT	42.82	42.82	723.23
Bill	05/10/2022	Alhambra	MONTHLY SERVICE	33.48	33.48	756.71
Check	05/10/2022	Mar-Val Main Street Ma...	STATION WATER	19.88	19.88	776.59
Check	05/11/2022	Mar-Val Main Street Ma...	SODA FOR FIRE INV CLASS	32.70	32.70	809.29
Check	05/12/2022	Pizza Plus	LUNCH FOR FIRE INV CLASS	176.36	176.36	985.65
Check	05/14/2022	Mar-Val Main Street Ma...	FILL THE BOOT PASTRIES	47.91	47.91	1,033.56
Check	05/14/2022	Mar-Val Main Street Ma...	FILL THE BOOT LUNCH	45.01	45.01	1,078.57
Bill	05/19/2022	Life-Assist	200- SMALL EXAM GLOVES	60.88	60.88	1,139.45
Check	05/19/2022	Dan Morris	RE-IMBURSEMENT DONUTS FOR FIRE INV. CLASS	24.00	24.00	1,163.45
Check	05/23/2022	Mar-Val Main Street Ma...	CLEMENTS TRAINING	49.58	49.58	1,213.03
Check	05/24/2022	Firefighters Burn Institute	16-FILL THE BOOT T-SHIRTS	160.00	160.00	1,373.03
Check	05/31/2022	Amazon	SHOE WAX POLISH	27.82	27.82	1,400.85
Check	05/31/2022	D'Boni's Pizza	VEG FIRE DINNER	84.75	84.75	1,485.60

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## Profit &amp; Loss Detail

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May 2022

Type	Date	Name	Memo	Original Amou...	Paid Amo...	Balance
Total Household						
<b>Maintenance</b>						
Check	05/02/2022	Amazon	E 1-2 HEADLIGHTS	43.08	43.08	43.08
Bill	05/19/2022	Strand Ace Hardware Inc.	CHAIN	32.31	32.31	75.39
Total Maintenance						
<b>Office Expenses</b>						
Bill	05/10/2022	STAPLES	COFFEE CREAMER; HP INK; POSTIT FLAGS; 5-REAMS PAPER;...	300.16	300.16	300.16
Bill	05/10/2022	Ricoh USA, Inc. COPIES	B&W 385; COLOR 768	44.02	44.02	344.18
Bill	05/19/2022	Ricoh USA, Inc.	MONTHLY COPIER LEASE	202.67	202.67	546.85
Check	05/26/2022	United States Post Office	E 1-1 HEADSET REPAIR	10.70	10.70	557.55
Total Office Expenses						
<b>Professional Services</b>						
Bill	05/10/2022	Henderson Hatfield	GENERAL BUSINESS MATTERS	1,083.24	1,083.24	1,083.24
Bill	05/10/2022	Van Demynden Makus L...	INTERNAL INVESTIGATION	18,931.90	18,931.90	20,015.14
Bill	05/10/2022	Van Demynden Makus L...	INTERNAL INVESTIGATION	4,189.65	4,189.65	24,204.79
Bill	05/31/2022	Auriga Technology, LLC	MONTHLY SERVICE	666.50	666.50	24,871.29
Total Professional Services						
<b>Small Tools &amp; Equipment</b>						
Check	05/14/2022	Amazon	5 PK PEDIATRIC CANNULA	19.05	19.05	19.05
Total Small Tools & Equipment						
<b>Structure Improvements</b>						
Check	05/02/2022	Conexwest	MONTHLY STORAGE LEASE	85.12	85.12	85.12
Check	05/30/2022	Conexwest	MONTHLY STORAGE LEASE	85.12	85.12	170.24
Total Structure Improvements						
<b>Utilities</b>						
Bill	05/10/2022	City of Escalon	MONTHLY SERVICE	179.19	179.19	179.19
Bill	05/10/2022	Gilton Solid Waste	MONTHLY SERVICE	120.66	120.66	299.85
Bill	05/19/2022	DIRECTV	MONTHLY SERVICE	143.99	143.99	443.84
Bill	05/19/2022	PG&E 2	STATION 2	51.00	51.00	494.84

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May 2022

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Bill	05/19/2022	PG&E 1	STATION 1	900.81	900.81	1,395.65
Bill	05/26/2022	Charter Communications	MONTHLY SERVICE	9.06	9.06	1,404.71
Total Utilities						
Total Expense				84,621.66	84,621.66	84,621.66
Net Ordinary Income						
Net Ordinary Income				574,828.79	574,828.79	574,828.79
Other Income/Expense						
Other Income						
Interest Credit						
Interest				142.51	142.51	142.51
Deposit 05/29/2022						
Total Interest Credit				142.51	142.51	142.51
Total Other Income						
Total Other Income				142.51	142.51	142.51
Net Other Income						
Net Other Income				142.51	142.51	142.51
Net Income				574,971.30	574,971.30	574,971.30



Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District  
**Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual**  
July 2021 through May 2022

	Jul '21 - May 22	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
<b>Ordinary Income/Expense</b>				
<b>Income</b>				
Special District COVID-19 Relie	621,171.50	651,404.00	-30,232.50	95.4%
<b>Total Income</b>	621,171.50	651,404.00	-30,232.50	95.4%
<b>Expense</b>				
Auditor Direct Assessment	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Cafeteria Plan Medical	0.00	7,200.00	-7,200.00	0.0%
Capital Expense	106,444.85	129,627.00	-23,182.15	82.1%
Communications	32,441.60	37,000.00	-4,558.40	87.7%
Contingencies	0.00	65,000.00	-65,000.00	0.0%
Employee Expenses	0.00	893,300.00	-893,300.00	0.0%
Fire Prevention	2,806.89	2,500.00	306.89	112.3%
Firefighter Safety Gear	8,813.68	13,500.00	-4,686.32	65.3%
Fuel	16,986.27	15,000.00	1,986.27	113.2%
Health Insurance	120,692.47	124,000.00	-3,307.53	97.3%
Household	16,699.62	24,000.00	-7,300.38	69.6%
Insurance Casualty	24,647.00	25,000.00	-353.00	98.6%
Maintenance	39,526.56	25,000.00	14,526.56	158.1%
Maintenance Structure & Grounds	9,178.82	8,000.00	1,178.82	114.7%
Medi-Care	0.00	9,400.00	-9,400.00	0.0%
Memberships	4,812.48	2,200.00	2,612.48	218.7%
Miscellaneous Expense	0.24	2,000.00	-1,999.76	0.0%
New Equipment	4,690.64	7,500.00	-2,809.36	62.5%
Office Expenses	6,085.75	10,000.00	-3,914.25	60.9%
Overtime	0.00	58,000.00	-58,000.00	0.0%
Professional Services	71,954.60	22,000.00	49,954.60	327.1%
Publications and Legal Notices	0.00	500.00	-500.00	0.0%
Retirement	84,962.57	60,800.00	24,162.57	139.7%
Salaries	689,122.55	584,000.00	105,122.55	118.0%
Small Tools & Equipment	4,832.04	7,000.00	-2,167.96	69.0%
Social Security (FICA)	0.00	39,900.00	-39,900.00	0.0%
Special Accounting Reports	11,780.43	2,000.00	9,780.43	589.0%
Special Departmental Expenses	0.00	6,000.00	-6,000.00	0.0%
Structure Improvements	1,837.94	5,000.00	-3,162.06	36.8%
Tax Administration Charges	0.00	17,500.00	-17,500.00	0.0%
Taxes & Assessments	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	0.0%
Training & Transportation	1,044.26	12,000.00	-10,955.74	8.7%
Unemployment Comp EDD	0.00	10,000.00	-10,000.00	0.0%
Utilities	20,536.23	15,000.00	5,536.23	136.9%
Workers Compensation Insurance	72,382.00	68,000.00	4,382.00	106.4%
<b>Total Expense</b>	1,352,279.49	2,308,927.00	-956,647.51	58.6%
<b>Net Ordinary Income</b>	-731,107.99	-1,657,523.00	926,415.01	44.1%
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>-731,107.99</b>	<b>-1,657,523.00</b>	<b>926,415.01</b>	<b>44.1%</b>





# San Joaquin County

## Emergency Medical Services Agency



Mailing Address  
PO Box 220  
French Camp, CA 95231

<http://www.sjgov.org/departments/ems>

### Memorandum

Health Care Services Complex  
Benton Hall  
505 W. Service Rd.  
French Camp, CA 95231

Phone Number  
(209) 468-6818

To: Ambulance Service Providers  
Fire Chiefs  
Interested Parties

From: Dan Burch, EMS Administrator

Date: May 11, 2022

Subj: South San Joaquin County Fire Authority, et al v. San Joaquin County Emergency Medical Services Agency, et al; Case No. MSRA 20-0007

In 2020, the South San Joaquin County Fire Authority (SCFA), a JPA between the City of Tracy and Tracy Rural Fire District, filed litigation against San Joaquin County's EMS Agency (SJCEMSA). In their filing, SCFA sought the following: 1) a determination on whether SCFA has HSC 1797.201 rights and the authority to provide ALS without SJCEMSA approval; and 2) a determination that specific SJCEMSA policies addressing patient management, EMT scope of practice, and EMS Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) were invalid applications of medical control.

On November 4, 2021, the Superior Court issued a final ruling on the first cause of action addressing 201 rights. The Court ruled: "defendants [SJCEMSA] have established as a matter of law that [SCFA] relinquished, pursuant to section 1797.201 of the California Health and Safety Code, any retained rights to provide ALS services by requesting, by entering, and by authorizing, and ratifying the action of their JPA to enter, the 2014 ALS Agreement with defendants." On April 25, 2022, the Superior Court issued a final ruling on SCFA's second cause of action seeking a determination that three specific SJCEMSA policies were invalid applications of medical control. On the following two policies, the Superior Court ruled in favor of SJCEMSA finding that they were proper exercises of the EMS Agency Medical Director's medical control authority: EMS Policy No. 5001, Authority for Medical Emergency Management and EMS Policy No. 6620, Continuous Quality Improvement Process.

On the third policy, EMS Policy No. 2360, EMT Scope of Practice, the Superior Court determined SJCEMSA was pre-empted by the EMS Authority's construction of CCR, Title 22, Section 100063(b) in "adopting a locally-approved provider requirement" for the performance of Enhanced EMT skills. The Superior Court issued guidance to SJCEMSA stating:

"At oral argument, the County argued that it adopted Policy 2360 because it was concerned that, without the policy, an EMT employed as a camp counselor, for instance, might provide enhanced skills at the scene of an emergency without having proper training or qualifications. The County represented that it adopted Policy 2360 to ensure



this does not happen. But the court is also concerned by the problem that the EMSA had in mind when it explicitly rejected a locally-approved provider requirement in regulation 100063 (b): that such a requirement might restrict the ability of an EMT employed by the CHP to provide enhanced skills. The County never explained why the problems in permitting Policy 2360 to remain in force as written are not as great or greater than the problems caused by invalidating it. The County's oral argument has not persuaded the court that its ruling is in error. However, nothing in this ruling prevents the County from trying to draft an amended policy that solves the problem that concerns the County without adopting a locally-approved provider requirement."

Policy 2360 as drafted was meant to address the needs of the varied County stakeholders. It exempted any EMT employed by a statewide public safety agency and allowed individual basic life support (BLS) service providers to opt in to providing EMT enhanced skills. Specifically, 2360 allowed BLS providers like fire departments to choose for themselves whether to be an authorized EMT enhanced skills service provider. SJCEMSA adopted this approach to ensure that low volume and low risk mostly rural fire districts could choose to defer the added costs of EMT enhanced skills training, quality assurance, and supplies (e.g. epinephrine auto-injectors, naloxone, aspirin, glucometers) if they needed to. However, the Superior Court's ruling precludes this "opt-in" approach.

The Superior Court's ruling states that "the local medical director may establish *how* EMTs perform enhanced skills, but not that [she] may establish a requirement that the EMT be employed by a LEMSAs-approved provider." This means that Dr. Shafer can either eliminate EMT enhanced skills in the system, which she does not want to do, or require EMT enhanced skills universally throughout the organized EMS system with all of its attendant costs to the fire departments and ambulance service providers. Basing her decision on what is best for patients in San Joaquin County, Dr. Shafer has directed SJCEMSA staff to revise Policy No. 2360 and implement related policies to require EMT enhanced skills universally throughout the organized EMS system.

SJCEMSA has approximately 30 days to comply with the Superior Court's ruling. Due to the timing constraints created by the litigation SJCEMSA will be issuing and implementing these policies as soon as possible and then will hold a public comment period to solicit and consider comments. Note EMS Policy No. 2360 with an effective date of April 1, 2020 remains in effect until SJCEMSA issues a revised policy.

As SJCEMSA works on these revisions, as well as its continuing mission of ensuring the delivery of quality pre-hospital emergency medical care, SJCEMSA must also now contend with SCFA's newly filed motion to reconsider their claim to 201 rights based on an April 2021 case involving the City of Oxnard and the County of Ventura. SJCEMSA expects a hearing on SCFA's renewed motion this summer. I do not expect the Superior Court to alter its original ruling that SCFA relinquished its 201 rights. Nonetheless, SJCEMSA will have to wait for the Court's next decision on the matter later this year for a final resolution.





# San Joaquin County

## Emergency Medical Services Agency



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### Memorandum

Health Care Services Complex  
Benton Hall  
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Phone Number  
(209) 468-6818

DATE: May 25, 2022

TO: Ambulance Service Providers  
Fire Chiefs  
Interested Parties

FROM: Dan Burch, EMS Administrator

SUBJ.: Implementation of EMT Scope of Practice and Related Policies

San Joaquin County EMS Agency (SJCEMSA) is implementing new and revised policies to address the Superior Court's ruling in *South San Joaquin County Fire Authority, et al v. San Joaquin County Emergency Medical Services Agency, et al*; Case No. MSRA 20-0007 recommending SJCEMSA amend EMS Policy No. 2360, Emergency Medical Technician Scope of Practice.

The following new and revised policies are effective June 1, 2022, and posted on the SJCEMSA website at <https://www.sjgov.org/departments/ems/policies.htm>:

1. SJCEMSA Policy No. 2360, Emergency Medical Technician Scope of Practice
2. SJCEMSA Policy No. 4101, EMS Response Vehicle Medication and Equipment
3. SJCEMSA Policy No. 5507, BLS Inter-facility Patient Transports
4. SJCEMSA Policy No. 5542, BLS Poisoning and Overdose
5. SJCEMSA Policy No. 5551, BLS Allergic Reaction – Anaphylaxis
6. SJCEMSA Policy No. 5552, BLS Bites and Stings
7. SJCEMSA Policy No. 6621, EMT Enhanced Skills Quality Improvement
8. SJCEMSA Policy No. 6621A, EMT Enhanced Skills Medication Audit Form

As previously shared in a memorandum dated May 11, 2022, the Superior Court presented Dr. Shafer with the choice of either eliminating EMT enhanced skills in the system, which she does not want to do, or requiring EMT enhanced skills universally throughout the organized EMS system with all of its related costs to the fire departments and ambulance service providers. Basing her decision on what is best for patients in San Joaquin County, Dr. Shafer directed SJCEMSA staff to revise Policy No. 2360 and implement related policies to require EMT enhanced skills universally throughout the organized EMS system.

In order to comply with the ruling, SJCEMSA is enacting these policies without an implementation or grace period. All EMS service providers, including each BLS and ALS ambulance service and fire department, are required to exercise due diligence to implement and comply with these policies on June 1, 2022.

Among its provisions, SJCEMSA Policy No. 6621, EMT Enhanced Skills Quality Improvement, requires EMS service providers to “appoint an EMS QI liaison who is qualified by education and experience for the oversight and responsibility of the EMS service provider’s EMS QI program.” SJCEMSA staff will be contacting each EMS service provider in the coming weeks to obtain the name, qualifications, and contact information for the EMS QI liaison; review the status of EMS QI plans; and offer assistance on implementing EMT enhanced skills including administration of epinephrine by auto-injector and naloxone by mucosal atomizer.

Notwithstanding the effective date of June 1, 2022, SJCEMSA is accepting written public comments on these policies from May 25, 2022, through July 11, 2022. The policies and comment forms are available at <https://www.sjgov.org/departments/ems/policiesDraft.htm>. SJCEMSA must receive written comments on or before July 11, 2022, at 5 pm. Comment forms may be submitted to Marissa Matta by email at [mamatta@sjgov.org](mailto:mamatta@sjgov.org) or by U.S. mail at:

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Please direct questions regarding the implementation of these policies to Matt Esposito, Prehospital Care Coordinator at [mesposito@sjgov.org](mailto:mesposito@sjgov.org).

# Chief's Report

## June 2022

### Emergency Responses

### May 2022

- Medical Aid 56
- Public Service Assist 3
- Vehicle Accidents 14
- Vegetation Fires 11
- Structure Fires 2
- Vehicle Fires 1
- Other Incidents 7

○ Total For Month: 94

Total May 21: 125

○ Total for 2022: 430

Total for 2021: 449



## C-Shift Monthly Report

### Training Division and Reserve/Volunteer Program

#### May Drills

5-3-2022	Harassment Policy and Training	(12 participants)
5-11-2022	Live Fire Training	(12 participants)
5-19-2022	LDH Review	(9 participants)

We have two new recruits that just finished their medical evaluations, and we will start their training.

Fill the Boot is over, and everything went well. FF Bennett and FF Christensen did a great job heading that up.

We are looking at doing an in-house Driver/Operator 1A in the coming months.

Fire Investigation 1A is complete. We had 9 Escalon personnel and 2 outside personnel pass.

#### Training Expenses for May

Investigation 1A \$1500.00 for Scotty Baker (Instructor)

Investigation 1A \$1540.00 for State Fire Training (Class Certifications)

#### Training Income for May

Fire Investigation 1A tuition \$295.00 for Brett Jones

Fire Investigation 1A tuition \$295.00 for Michael Lunn

## **Prevention**

Monthly Report for May 2022. Weed Abatement has gone well. 90% compliance while still encountering a few new properties. Efforts have been made to contact each property owner and seek remediation. As a note. The property at the corner of Irwin and California had been contacted by the City and were properly noticed prior to the fire. The second notice was issued approx.. 10 days prior to the day of the incident. Business Inspections are underway. There has been a noticeable uptick in expired extinguishers at local businesses, which can be directly related to the COVID shut down. Business owner have been quick to remedy the Fire Departments concerns.

New businesses: A new mobile coffee service has been issued a license to operate at Harvest Church on Escalon Ave. The Martial Arts business on Jackson Ave. is under new ownership. BLB has expanded their operation on Stanislaus Street and Debby's Eatery has opened for business next door to BLB.

Dent Elementary Second Graders visited Station 1 on May 17<sup>th</sup> and were given a tour of the station and an opportunity to spray some water.

## **Apparatus and Equipment**

- R 1-1 went to Hi Tech for front bumper repair.
- Annual hose testing was completed by all shifts.
- E 1-2 went to McDowell and Davis for AC service.
- WT 1-1 went to McDowell and Davis for AC service.

## **Buildings and Grounds**

- Nothing to report.

## **San Joaquin County Fire Chief's Association**

- Meeting 6-1-22, general business, election of officers and awards luncheon.

## **San Joaquin County Radio Users Group**

- Meeting 5-18-22, general business.

## **Miscellaneous**

- Fill the Boot for Burns brought in just under \$ 24,000.00 during the two-day event May 14 and 15.
- Mike and Karen Pitassi of Escalon Community Ambulance retired on June 3 per an ECA Facebook post.
- Four Escalon Fire personnel attended wildland training in Clements on May 23.





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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** May 5, 2022  
**TO:** Board of Directors - Fire Protection / Water Conservation Districts  
**FROM:** Jeffery M. Woltkamp, Assistant Auditor-Controller   
**SUBJECT:** Proposition 4 - Government Spending Limit Calculation for FY 2022-2023

Attached is the 2022-2023 Proposition 4 Appropriation Limit proposed for your district.

The factors used in computing the Limit are provided by the State Department of Finance.

If you agree with our computation, we recommend that you adopt a resolution to establish your FY 2022-2023 appropriation limit before the end of the current fiscal year, and forward a copy of the resolution to us.

If your district has a higher percentage change in non-residential assessed valuation from fiscal year 2020-2021 to fiscal year 2021-2022 than the percentage change of CPCPI (7.55%), we can adjust the computation upon receiving the supporting documentation. If you have a special population growth study performed by the State Department of Finance for 2022-2023, please forward a copy to us so we may update the Spending Limit computation.

Please call our office at 209-468-3925 should you have any questions regarding the spending limit.

JMW: 11

Enclosures

**Posted: 5/18/2022**

Calculation of Budget Limit		
Fire District Name:	ESCALON	
Budget Limit to Be Established For Fiscal Year:		2022-2023
Budget Limit - Current Year		\$ 3,374,247
Percentage Change in Per Capita Personal Income [CPCPI]	X	107.55%
		3,629,003
Population Change Factor	X	99.46%
Budget Limit For the Coming Year		\$ 3,609,406

Posted: 5/18/2022

Escalon Consolidated Fire  
Protection District

1749 Coley Avenue  
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BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ESCALON  
CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF SAN JOAQUIN  
COUNTY

Resolution No. 22-1

RESOLUTION ADOPTING EXPENDITURE LIMITATIONS  
FOR 2022-2023 FISCAL YEAR

WHEREAS Government Code Section 7910 requires this District by resolution to establish its appropriations limit for the following fiscal year under California Constitution, Article XIII B: and

WHEREAS the proposed appropriations limit for the 2022-2023 year with its supporting documentation has been available to the public for inspection for at least 15 days at the Fire District's Fire Station, located at 1749 Coley Avenue, Escalon, California.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the appropriations limit for the 2022-2023 fiscal year is \$3,609,406.00.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this 9th day of June 2022 following vote of the Board of Directors, to wit:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

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Laura Catrina  
Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District  
Board of Directors



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BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ESCALON  
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COUNTY

Resolution No. 22-2

RESOLUTION TO SET THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RATES

WHEREAS the Board of Directors of the Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District set the Special Assessment rates at their meeting on June 9, 2022. Those rates are as follows:

Category A.	Residential Dwelling:	0.05000000 sq. ft.
Category B.	Commercial Residential:	0.05000000 sq. ft.
Category C.	Agriculture:	0.03000000 sq. ft.
Category D.	Dairies/Excluding Loafing Barns:	0.03000000 sq. ft.
Category E.	Commercial:	0.05000000 sq. ft.
Category F.	Industry:	0.05000000 sq. ft.
Category G.	Vacant Residential Lots:	\$12.00 per parcel
Category H.	Vacant Commercial Lots:	\$35.00 per acre unit
Category I.	Vacant Industrial Lots:	\$50.00 per parcel
Category J.	Gas Wells:	\$25.00 per parcel
Category K.	Waste Lands:	\$10.00 per parcel
Category L.	State Board of Equalization:	\$10.00 per acre unit
Category M.	Mobile Home Residential Lots:	\$15.00 per year

A special rate for chicken and/or poultry ranches has been established as 0.005896 per square foot.

PASSED AND ADOPTED, this 9th day of June 2022 by the following votes of the Board of Directors, to wit:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSENT:

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Laura Catrina  
Escalon Consolidated Fire Protection District  
Board of Directors