

# CITY COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT

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**DATE:** July 21, 2025

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

**FROM:** Gary Carlson, Interim Fire Chief

SUBJECT: Automatic Aid/Mutual Aid Agreement with Tuolumne County Fire Service Providers to

include Chicken Rancheria Fire Department.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

Consider Approval of the Proposed Mutual Aid Agreement Between the City of Sonora and Chicken Ranch Tribal Fire Department and Authorize the Interim Fire Chief to Sign the Agreement and any Related Documents Necessary to Implement the Agreement.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

In 2016 all Tuolumne County fire service providers entered into an agreement whereby the parties would provide mutually beneficial, reciprocal supplemental assistance in the event of fire or other local fire department related emergencies.

This is known as automatic or mutual aid and is in place to assist all jurisdictions in the event of large-scale emergencies that otherwise would overwhelm the fire department. Chicken Ranch Rancheria, through its newly formed fire department, now wishes to join this master mutual aid agreement.

## **DISCUSSION / ANALYSIS:**

As all fire departments in Tuolumne County participate in the automatic/mutual aid agreement, adding the Chicken Rancheria Fire Department is in line with, and supports emergency operations in Tuolumne County. Having this agreement in place ensures the highest level of service available to citizens and visitors of the region.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no additional fiscal impact with the approval of this agreement.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

Attachment A- Automatic Aid- CRAA Agreement.



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