



City of Stevenson

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To: Stevenson City Council
From: Rob Farris, Fire Chief
RE: Fire Department Update – March 2021
Meeting Date: April 15th, 2021

Executive Summary:

Our firefighters are continuing to meet in-person for training. The response has been encouraging as we continue to prepare for the upcoming wildfire season.

Annual SCBA Flow Testing was completed on March 1st. There was a 6-month gap in usually testing schedule due to a vendor change at the MSA dealer level. Our new MSA vendor is LN Curtis and Sons out of the Seattle area.

Stevenson Fire is a member of the Mid-Columbia Fire Prevention Cooperative. The Cooperative is a group of fire agencies from throughout the Columbia River Gorge. The group concentrates on promoting fire prevention education to the public and local schools. Due to COVID, delivery of fire prevention education in the schools has been hampered. In response the Cooperative produced a video that was distributed to the area's 1st and 2nd grade classrooms. The video features firefighters several different agencies of the Gorge. There is heavy presence from Skamania County in the video

Video link: <https://youtu.be/OjDmSrM7-dA>

Cooperative Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/midcolumbiafpc>

Overview of Items:

- *COVID-19 Response:* Ongoing
- *New Fire Hall:* Ongoing
- *District AFG Grant:* Pre-construction conference completed. Tentative Delivery of new apparatus has been moved out until April 2021 due to supply chain issues related to COVID-19
- *Gutter project for fire station:* Installation on April 14th

Drills/Training/Calls:

March Drills/Training – 57 hours

March Calls – 3 total

3 – Residential Fire Alarm

Action Needed: None