



Ripon Consolidated Fire District

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Five-Year Fire Facility Fee Fund Report FY2023/2024

Purpose of Fee:

In order to continue to provide an acceptable level of fire protection to the citizens of the District, funding for additional fire stations, equipment and related facilities must be provided. Section 66000 of the California Government Code authorizes cities and counties to establish fees, on behalf of fire districts, to finance the construction of new facilities, made necessary by new development.

The original document passed by San Joaquin County Board of Supervisors establishing the fee was Resolution 89-1012, with the latest update document of Resolution 04-496.

The original document passed by the City of Ripon establishing the fee is pursuant to Ripon Municipal Code Chapter 17.04.

Are the assumptions utilized in the development of the fire facility fee still valid? Yes

If yes, describe the reasonable relationship between the fee and its purpose.

In 1988, the fire district was equipped to fulfill adequately the emergency response needs of the fire district. As the community grew, it was found that the fire district could not finance the growing needs impacting the fire district from new development. The Fire Facility Fee was established to ensure that new development would pay its way for impacts related to growth. New development does not follow strict growth guidelines. Because growth changes with the market, we must also constantly adjust our needs so that we can continue to provide the fire protection needed. The District will need to construct, equip, and staff additional stations to meet anticipated growth that will occur over the next 10 - 15 years. As new development occurs, funds that were previously collected and deposited in the District's Fire Facility Fee Fund(s) will be expended to cover the appropriate funding percentages of identified projects to serve this growth.

If no, what have you done or what are you going to do to insure that a reasonable relationship exist between the fee and its purpose. Not Applicable

What are the funding sources and what are the amounts remaining to complete the improvements?

There are three basic funding sources for these capital improvements. *The Fire Facility Fee, City; Fire Facility Fee, County; and the Fire District's Developer Agreement Fund.* The Developer Agreement Fund revenues come from agreements made between the District and developers. Both the District and Developer agree on additional fees due to the scale of their projects being proposed. Portions of new capital improvement projects that are caused by new development are funded by the Fire Facility Fee Account(s). Financial expenditures based on the existing Districts needs come from the Fire District's General Fund.

The attached spreadsheet (Exhibit A) shows the projects that are still valid and anticipating revenues based on development revenues associated with the Fire Facility Fees. These items are still needed improvements, with approximately \$3.6 million still required from new development.

What is the approximate date that funding will be complete?

The completion date will vary depending upon how and when the growth occurs. Growth patterns of development are left to property owners to make independent decisions as to when they choose to build. Additionally, the City of Ripon has a maximum growth rate set at 3% each year. If growth continues as it is today, our projected needs are as follows:

Type III Fire Apparatus	48 to 120 months
PPE for additional Firefighters	48 to 120 months
Duty Officer Command vehicles	48 to 120 months
Type I Fire Apparatus	48 to 120 months
Water Tender	48 to 120 months

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List projects from District Capital Improvement Plan that receive Fire Facility Fee Revenue:

Project	Total Budget	Amount of Fire Facility	Source	Other Funding	Other Source	Anticipated Start Date	Anticipated End Date
Type I Fire Apparatus	\$1,300,000	\$1,300,000	100%	\$0.00	0%	July 1, 2024	June 30, 2034
PPE for Additional Firefighters	\$100,000	\$100,000	100%	\$0.00	0%	July 1, 2026	June 30, 2030
Duty Officer Command Vehicles	\$300,000	\$300,000	100%	\$0.00	0%	July 1, 2026	June 30, 2036
Type III Fire Apparatus	\$900,000	\$900,000	100%	\$0.00	0%	July 1, 2027	June 30, 2037
Water Tender	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	100%	\$0.00	0%	July 1, 2027	June 30, 2037
Total	\$3,600,000.00	\$3,600,000.00		\$0.00			