



Reno Fire Department



*CPSM Study
Recommendation
#21*

*Unrestricted
Automatic Aid*

2-10-20

CPSM Recommendation #21:

RFD should reestablish a full and unrestricted automatic response arrangement with Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District.

Automatic Aid & Mutual Aid Definitions

➤ Automatic Aid

- *Automatic aid is assistance that is dispatched automatically by contractual agreement between two fire departments.*
 - *Level of Service*
 - *Number of Resources*
 - *Duplication of Services?*

➤ Mutual Aid

- *Mutual aid is the ability for any jurisdiction to request assistance based on a specific incident that either agency deems additional resources are required.*
 - *Based on contractual relationship.*

- Cooperative Agreement between the Truckee Meadows Fire Protection District and the City of Reno:
 - Updated/Renewed 6/13/19
 - Provides Automatic Aid Response for Fires Only
 - Limited Response Area
 - Established Pursuant to SB 185 (2015)
 - Automatic Aid Provided at No Cost for First 12 Hours of Response
 - Agreement Termination Date June 30, 2021, or within 30 days Written Notice from either Agency
 - Includes the ability to request Mutual Aid

Automatic Aid Location Advantages

- Four Primary Areas in Reno/TMFPD/SFPD Where Jurisdictions/Stations are in Close Proximity:
 - Stead/Lemmon Valley:
 - Reno Station #9 & TMFPD Station #44
 - Verdi/Somerset:
 - Reno Station #19 & TMFPD Station #40
 - Damonte Ranch/Geiger Grade:
 - Reno Station #12 & TMFPD Station #33
 - Caughlin Ranch:
 - Reno Station #7 & TMFPD Station #40
 - Hidden Valley
 - Reno Station #6 & TMFPD Station #37
 - Sun Valley
 - Reno Station #2 & TMFPD Station #45

- **Benefits:**
 - Provides the highest level of service to all citizens in the region
 - Possible cost savings
 - Requires no additional funding, personnel or apparatus
 - Can eliminate duplication of service
- **Challenges:**
 - Reaching agreement between jurisdictions
 - Equitable service levels
 - Labor Contracts
 - Potential duplication of service

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