

FIRE

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Butte County Fire Department is to protect the citizens of Butte County from all types of fire, to provide emergency rescue services and to provide immediate response to medical emergencies and hazardous material spills.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

The County of Butte formally organized and funded a Fire Department protecting the unincorporated areas of the County on November 10, 1931. This fire protection program has evolved over the years to provide the following basic public protection services:

- Fire suppression (life, property, and supplemental watershed protection)
- Technical rescue services such as confined space and drowning accident rescue
- Emergency medical services (at the basic life support level)
- Emergency dispatch and communication services
- Training for volunteer and career firefighter personnel
- Fire prevention, weed abatement, fire protection planning and arson investigation services
- Hazardous materials incident response
- Homeland security preparedness

FY 2008-09 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Received Board approval and adoption of the 2007 Standards of Cover Study conducted by City Gate Corp. The Fire Department began implementation of items that create no additional costs to the County.
- Purchased two new fire engines, which replaced two older engines that were being moved to relief engine status. The current relief engines are being reassigned to volunteer stations.
- Purchased two surplus Type III (Wildland) engines from CalFire, in cooperation with the volunteer program.
- Applied for and received a grant in the amount of \$13,000 from the State of California to purchase fire prevention handout material.
- Applied for and received an Office of Traffic Safety Grant in the amount of \$197,373, matched by \$119,000 from volunteer Company 71 and Community Cost Share funds. The funding was used to replace volunteer squad 71 and upgrade extrication equipment on 13 Front-line County and State engines.
- Received reimbursement of \$725,000 from the State of California for use of Butte County fire engines on State responsibility Wildland fires during the summer of 2008.

SUMMARY OF DEPARTMENTAL BUDGET REQUEST

- The Department budget request includes contract funding to maintain FY 2008-09 staff and operations levels.
- The Department budget request includes additional funding for facility alterations Improvements for repairs in the total amount of \$272,300 for career stations and \$38,100 for a volunteer station.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATION

- The recommendation includes appropriation of \$12,614,423 with restricted revenue of \$1,363,637 for all budget units in the department. The use of discretionary revenues by the department is \$11,250,786. The recommended restricted revenue includes \$450,000 of Community Cost Share funds and \$200,000 of one-time revenue from the Indian Gaming Community Benefit Fund.
- The recommendation reduces the agreement between the County and CalFire by \$2.5 million. This reduction is expected to result in the temporary closure of up to two (2) County fire stations on any given day, which equates to a reduction of 6 Firefighter II's and 5 Fire Apparatus Engineers.
- The recommendation is expected to result in the elimination of the following positions, some of which were held vacant in FY 2008-09:
 - Fire Captain – Volunteer Training
 - Fire Information Officer
 - Fire Building Inspector
 - Battalion Chief
 - Division Chief
 - Fire Marshal Battalion Chief
 - Vegetation Hazard Abatement – Fire Captain
 - Telecommunications Specialist
 - Office Assistant
 - Fit Test Captain/Safety Officer
 - Firefighter I (Relief Pool – Amador Program)
- The recommendation does not include a \$431,117 contribution to the Equipment Replacement Fund.
- The recommendation includes the reduction in services and supplies and other operational costs by approximately \$1 million in addition to the reduction in the CalFire contract.

BUDGET CODE 175002

UNIT TITLE - FIRE EQUIP REPLACEMENT

BUTTE COUNTY
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
BUDGET UNIT EXPENDITURE DETAIL
SCHEDULE 9 2009-10

FUNCTION 1 - FIRE EQUIP REPLACEMENT
ACTIVITY - 24 -
FUND - 0042 - EQUIPMENT REPLACEMENT

ACCOUNT	TITLE	ACTUAL 2007-08	ADOPTED 2008-09	REQUESTED 2009-10	RECOMMENDED 2009-10	ADOPTED 2009-10
EXPENDITURES						
520	SERVICES & SUPPLIES	-	-			
550	OTHER CHARGES	3,574	4,152	6,245	6,082	
560	FIXED ASSETS	248,440	80,000			
TOTAL	DIRECT	252,013	84,152	6,245	6,082	-
570	OTHER FINANCING USES	303,000	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		555,013	84,152	6,245	6,082	-
NET COUNTY COSTS/USE OF FUND BALANCE		555,013	84,152	6,245	6,082	-

BUDGET CODE 450001

UNIT TITLE - FIRE PROT. - REG. SERV.

BUTTE COUNTY
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
BUDGET UNIT EXPENDITURE DETAIL
SCHEDULE 9 2009-10

FUNCTION - 2 - FIRE PROT. - REG. SERV.
ACTIVITY - 24 -
FUND - 0100 - FIRE PROT. - REG. SERV.

ACCOUNT	TITLE	ACTUAL 2007-08	ADOPTED 2008-09	REQUESTED 2009-10	RECOMMENDED 2009-10	ADOPTED 2009-10
EXPENDITURES						
520	SERVICES & SUPPLIES	14,128,513	14,195,049	13,606,281	11,279,942	
550	OTHER CHARGES	95,137	183,683	415,463	421,436	
560	FIXED ASSETS	61,681	129,607	34,443		
TOTAL	DIRECT	14,285,331	14,508,339	14,056,187	11,701,378	-
570	OTHER FINANCING USES	420,000	425,714	430,117		
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		14,705,331	14,934,053	14,486,304	11,701,378	-
REVENUES						
50100	STATE REVENUES	-	20,000	200,000	200,000	
50200	FEDERAL REVENUES	-	-			
50300	OTHER INTERGOVT REVENUES	43,308	59,400	45,800	45,800	
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL REVENUES		43,308	79,400	245,800	245,800	-
60000	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	144,775	112,000	83,000	83,000	
70000	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	8,044	93,895	504,000	4,000	
TOTAL REVENUES		196,127	285,295	832,800	332,800	-
NET COUNTY COSTS/USE OF FUND BALANCE		14,509,204	14,648,758	13,653,504	11,368,578	-

BUDGET CODE 450002

UNIT TITLE - FIRE PROT. - VOL. PRGRM

BUTTE COUNTY
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
BUDGET UNIT EXPENDITURE DETAIL
SCHEDULE 9 2009-10

FUNCTION - 2 - FIRE PROT. - VOL PRGRM
ACTIVITY - 24 -
FUND - 0100 - FIRE PROT. - REG. SERV.

ACCOUNT	TITLE	ACTUAL 2007-08	ADOPTED 2008-09	REQUESTED 2009-10	RECOMMENDED 2009-10	ADOPTED 2009-10
EXPENDITURES						
510	SALARIES & EMPLOYEE BENE	72,812	55,305	32,674	32,674	
520	SERVICES & SUPPLIES	380,563	553,676	665,937	459,837	
550	OTHER CHARGES	7,976	9,893	8,046	8,040	
560	FIXED ASSETS	-	-	-	-	
TOTAL	DIRECT	461,351	618,874	706,657	500,551	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES						
		461,351	618,874	706,657	500,551	-
REVENUES						
70000	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	289,358	-	168,557	168,557	-
TOTAL REVENUES		289,358	-	168,557	168,557	-
NET COUNTY COSTS/USE OF FUND BALANCE						
		171,994	618,874	538,100	331,994	-

BUDGET CODE 450003

UNIT TITLE - FIRE - ANCILLARY SERVICES

BUTTE COUNTY
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
BUDGET UNIT EXPENDITURE DETAIL
SCHEDULE 9 2009-10

FUNCTION - 2 - FIRE - ANCILLARY SERVICES
ACTIVITY - 24 -
FUND - 0100 - FIRE PROT. - REG. SERV.

ACCOUNT	TITLE	ACTUAL 2007-08	ADOPTED 2008-09	REQUESTED 2009-10	RECOMMENDED 2009-10	ADOPTED 2009-10
EXPENDITURES						
520	SERVICES & SUPPLIES	95,284	13,261	471,786	391,786	
550	OTHER CHARGES	251			214	
560	FIXED ASSETS	31,103	40,494	40,494	20,494	
TOTAL	DIRECT	<u>126,638</u>	<u>53,755</u>	<u>512,280</u>	<u>412,494</u>	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		<u>126,638</u>	<u>53,755</u>	<u>512,280</u>	<u>412,494</u>	-
REVENUES						
50100	STATE REVENUES		-	34,000	34,000	-
50200	FEDERAL REVENUES	183,039	-	378,280	378,280	-
TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL REVENUES		<u>183,039</u>	-	<u>412,280</u>	<u>412,280</u>	-
60000	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	18,500				
TOTAL REVENUES		<u>201,539</u>	-	<u>412,280</u>	<u>412,280</u>	-
NET COUNTY COSTS/USE OF FUND BALANCE		<u>(74,901)</u>	<u>53,755</u>	<u>100,000</u>	<u>214</u>	-