



**To:** Board of Directors  
**From:** Steve Leighton, Fire Chief  
**Date:** March 20, 2024  
**Subject:** Future Planning with North Tahoe Fire

Chief Leighton will update the Directors regarding the progress of the future planning with North Tahoe Fire and the LAFCO process.

Recommendation

- 1) The Board to make a motion to reaffirm Resolution 30-2022 regarding the dissolution of the Meeks Bay Fire Protection District and the annexation of the Meeks Bay Fire Protection District to the North Tahoe Fire Protection District, with the option of reducing the Board to five members prior to 1/1/2025;
- 2) The Board to make a motion to accept the four terms below:
  1. One-time lump sum payment: Equivalent of 3 years of TOT funding for tourism-related calls at the FY 2023-24 amount of \$264,000 per year, plus an additional \$200,000, for a total of \$992,000.
    - Represents payment for each fiscal year since the policy changed to include mitigation of tourism impacts and in which Meeks Bay did not receive reimbursement for tourism-related calls (FYs 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23). The Board approved adding \$200,000 from the TOT designation for special projects.
  2. Tax Increment: Bring all TRAs in Meeks Bay up to at least the average for all TRAs in North Tahoe.
    - Four TRAs increase to 10.913%.
    - Two TRAs stay at 13%.
    - New average for entire area becomes 11.61%.
  3. Meeks Bay special taxes and assessments will equalize assuming North Tahoe's tax rates.
  4. Station 67 or a station that will meet standards of coverage for the Meeks Bay area will continue to be staffed and operated at current level of service;
- 3) The Board to make a motion to approve the following tentative established timeline to complete annexation:
  - Motion at Meeks Bay Fire board meeting – 3/20/24
  - Motion at North Tahoe Fire board meeting – 3/26/24
  - Letter to Placer LAFCO Commission, El Dorado County Board of Supervisors, Placer County Board of Supervisors – 4/1/24

- Request to be placed on El Dorado County Board of Supervisors agenda for 5/14/24 meeting
- Request to be placed on Placer County Board of Supervisors agenda for 5/21/24 meeting
- Resolutions from both Counties to Placer LAFCO for public hearing on 7/10/24
- Placer LAFCO protest hearing to be held 8/19/24 or 8/20/24
- Placer LAFCO adopt resolution at 9/11/24 commission meeting – record Certificate of Completion for an effective date of 10/1/24

Meeks Bay Fire Protection District



**RESOLUTION**  
**of the Board of Directors**

**No: 2022-24**

**MEEKS BAY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS REQUESTING  
THE PLACER LOCAL AGENCY FORMATION COMMISSION CONSIDER THE MAKEUP  
OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODY FOR THE PROPOSED REORGANIZED NORTH TAHOE  
FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Meeks Bay Fire Protection District (MBFPD) that:

**WHEREAS**, on December 8, 2021, the MBFPD initiated proceedings with the Placer Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) pursuant to the Cortese-Knox-Hertzberg Local Government Reorganization Act of 2000 (CKH Act), commencing with section 56000 of the California Government Code (GC), and more specifically GC section 56853 for the reorganization of the North Tahoe Fire Protection District (NTFPD) and the MBFPD; and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the MBFPD, through adoption of Resolution 2021-12 stated its desire for Placer LAFCO to take the following concurrent actions:

- Dissolution of the Meeks Bay Fire Protection District
- Annexation of the Meeks Bay Fire Protection District to the North Tahoe Fire Protection District; and

**WHEREAS**, the NTFPD and the MBFPD were established pursuant to Fire Protection District Law of 1987, Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 13800, et seq.; and

**WHEREAS**, the HSC section 13836 states, “in the case of a district which contains only unincorporated territory in more than one county, the district board may be elected or appointed by the boards of supervisors in which the district is located” and

**WHEREAS**, the HSC section 13844(f) states that “the number of members of a district may be changed by the local agency formation commission as a term and condition of approval by the commission of any change of organization or reorganization” and

**WHEREAS**, the HSC section 13842 states that “a district board may have five, seven, nine, or eleven members” and

**WHEREAS**, the CKH Act Terms and Conditions GC section 56886(n) empowers LAFCO to designate the method for the selection of members of the legislative body of a district and the number of members of the legislative body or both, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the MBFPD desire for the proposed reorganized NTFPD to remain an elected board, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the MBFPD are currently elected At-Large, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the MBFPD desire for the proposed reorganized NTFPD to be elected At-Large, and

**WHEREAS**, the current makeup of the Board of Directors of the NTFPD and MBFPD are as follows:

<u>North Tahoe FPD</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>	<u>Meeks Bay FPD</u>	<u>Term Ending</u>
Baffone	2024	Miller	2024
Doyle	2026	Fielding	2024
Correa	2024	Millslagle	2024
Ragan	2026	Kromydas	2026
Loverde	2024	Vacant	2026

**WHEREAS**, upon approval of the reorganization, the Board of Directors of the newly reorganized NTFPD, for a period of eighteen months (July 1, 2023 through December 31, 2024) will comprise of the following seven members:

North Tahoe FPD from July 1, 2023-December 31, 2024

Baffone	2024
Correa	2024
Fielding	2024
Loverde	2024
Doyle	2026
Kromydas	2026
Ragan	2026

**WHEREAS**, after the 18-month period, beginning on January 1, 2025, the Board of Directors will be reduced to a five-member Board and will remain a five-member Board. The five-member Board beginning January 1, 2025 will be as follows:

North Tahoe FPD beginning January 1, 2025

Doyle	2026	(voter-elected position once term expires)
Kromydas	2026	(voter-elected position once term expires)
Ragan	2026	(voter-elected position once term expires)
Vacancy	2028	(voter-elected position once term expires)
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**WHEREAS**, upon the vacancy of a legislative body, through resignation, retirement, or term expiration, the position becomes an at-large voter-elected position, and

**WHEREAS**, this request as part of the reorganization resolution of application is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Public Resources Code Section 21000, et seq., pursuant to Class 20 (Changes in Organization of Local Agencies), Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15320(b) of the California Code of Regulations.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Meeks Bay Fire Protection Board of Directors finds, and orders as follows:

1. The Meeks Bay Fire Protection District requests that Placer LAFCO designate the method for the selection of members of the legislative body the reorganized North Tahoe Fire Protection District as outlined above.
2. The Meeks Bay Fire Protection District requests that Placer LAFCO designate the number of members of the legislative body of the reorganized North Tahoe Fire Protection District as outlined above.
3. The Meeks Bay Fire Protection District requests that Placer LAFCO designate the legislative body of the reorganized North Tahoe Fire Protection District shall be elected At-Large as outlined above.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF MEEKS BAY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF EL DORADO AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD, HELD ON THE 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2023 BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE OF SAID BOARD:

AYES: Directors Fielding, Kromydas, Miller, and Millslagle

NOES: None

ABSTENTIONS: None

ABSENT: None

  
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PRESIDENT, BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
BY: Edward I. Miller

I CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING IS A CORRECT COPY OF A RESOLUTION DULY ADOPTED BY SAID BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON THE DATE THEREIN SET FORTH.

  
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CLERK OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
BY: Melissa Daniels