MURRIETA FIRE DEPARTMENT WEEKLY REPORT

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FIRES BURNING ACROSS THE STATE

Currently, there are ten active fires burning in California. Murrieta Fire Department deployed a strike team to the Border Fire in San Diego County. After a week of assisting on the fire line, the crew (Battalion Chiefs Steve Kean and Dave Perez; Captain Clinton Norton; Engineer Brian Jackson; and FF/PMs Jeff Asbury and Chris Brann) all returned home. Captain Evan Tiss has been deployed for a second time to lend a hand at South Ops Dispatch in San Bernardino. Captain Matt Corelli is working the Marina Fire as the Public Information Officer.

Recap of the active fires:

Border Fire – San Diego County
Acreage – 7,609 acres
Containment – 92%
Start Date: 06/19/2016

Sherpa Fire – Santa Barbara County
Acreage – 7,474 acres
Containment – 93%
Start Date: 06/15/2016

San Gabriel Complex – Los Angeles County
Acreage – 5,399 acres
Containment
Reservoir Fire – 72%
Fish Fire – 86%
Start Date: 06/20/2016

Pony Fire – Siskiyou County
Acreage – 2,858 acres
Containment – 63%
Start Date: 06/19/2016

Erskine Fire – Kern County
Acreage – 46,679 acres
Containment – 45%
Start Date: 06/23/2016

Marina Fire – Mono County
Acreage – 654 acres
Containment – 74%
Start Date: 06/24/2016

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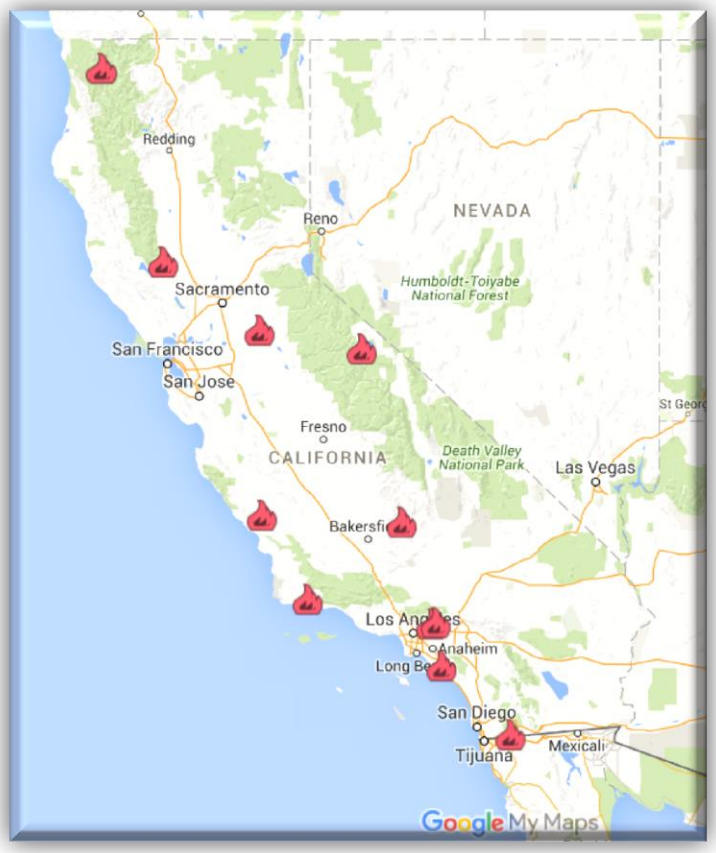
2016 CALIFORNIA FIRE MAP (CAL FIRE)



IN THE QUEUE

- June 29-30: ACLS - PALS
- June 25: Murrieta Birthday Bash
- July: Unearth MFD time capsule
- July 28 – Nov 5: TIP Academy
- Aug 17-Oct 7: Citizen's Fire Academy

Continued…Fires Burning

Laguna Fire – Orange County
Acreage – 47 acres
Containment – 85%

Campo Fire – Calaveras County
Acreage – 33 acres
Containment – 60%

Reservoir Fire – Lake County
Acreage – 215 acres
Containment – 60%
Start Date: 06/26/2016

Frazier Fire – San Luis Obispo
Acreage – 86 acres
Containment – 86%

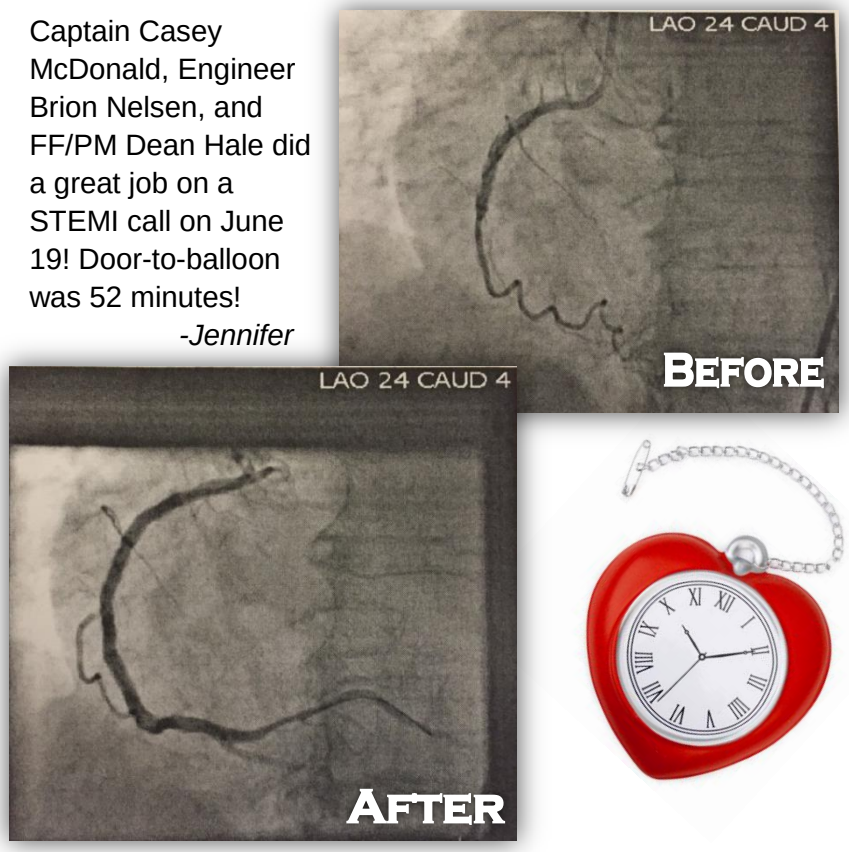
The drought and recent record-breaking high temperatures have aided in created at least one deadly wildland fire in Kern County. With the probability of a hot, dry summer ahead, there is a heightened expectation of more devastation to come.

Reperfusion

The action of restoring the flow of blood to an organ or tissue.

Captain Casey McDonald, Engineer Brion Nelsen, and FF/PM Dean Hale did a great job on a STEMI call on June 19! Door-to-balloon was 52 minutes!

-Jennifer



Loperamide: A Common Antidiarrheal Drug Abused as Heroin Substitute

Loperamide, an over-the-counter and prescription antidiarrheal drug commonly known under its brand name Imodium A-D®, is a relatively novel opioid substitute gaining popularity among illicit drug users. On 7 June 2106, the FDA issued a warning stating the consumption of higher than recommended doses of loperamide can lead to serious cardiac (heart) toxicity, arrhythmia (irregular heart beat), and death. Due to the novelty of abuse and lack of routine testing, loperamide abuse is likely underdiagnosed and underreported.

- Loperamide is a powerful opioid with analgesic properties stronger than morphine.
- The drug is considered safe and, until recently, had a low potential for abuse because it acts primarily in the gut and, at recommended does, does not cross the blood-brain barrier to affect the central nervous system.
- As opioid analgesics become more tightly regulated and controlled, dependent individuals seek loperamide due to the drug's low cost, availability, and legal status.

How Does this Affect You?

- Because loperamide is not part of routine lab or toxicology analysis, abuse of the medication is frequently underdiagnosed; specific testing may be required. FDA asks for loperamide-related cardiac events to be reported to the MedWatch program.
- Please report incidents involving loperamide at www.jric.org or (562) 345-1100 or jric@jric.org.

-The Joint Regional Intelligence Center

OPERATIONS

71	EMS
4	Fires
5	Motor Vehicle Accidents
2	Hazardous-No Fire
31	Public Assistance
5	Beeping Smoke Detectors
6	Police Assist
16	Cancelled Calls
7	False Alarms
17	Miscellaneous
164	Total Calls

Handstands in the parking lot! That's an "A" for effort, just because Chief Lantzer is on vacation! Who does that?

Taking a closer look at the DATA

Equipment Brief

- The Mechanic

Truck 2:	OOS: Cummins/engine overhaul
Ranger 5:	Transmission
Brush 3:	Replace batteries and alternator
Engine 21:	A/C repaired

Facilities Brief

- BC Kean

Station 1:	Receiving bids for ice machine relocation
Station 2:	Nothing to report
Station 3:	Nothing to report
Station 4:	Nothing to report

EMS CALLS ONLY – (June 20-26)

Call Processing Time (Secs):	37
Turnout Time (Mins):	1:14
Travel Time (Mins):	3:43
Total Time to Arrival (Mins):	**5:34**

FIRE CALLS ONLY

Call Processing Time (Secs):	48
Turnout Time (Mins):	1:43
Travel Time (Mins):	4:22
Total Time to Arrival (Mins):	**6:53**

Chief Ferguson doing push-ups in four states, at one time! That's a commitment to crossfit!

Dates: June 20 - June 23

Fire Final	1
Fire Underground Hydro	1
Fire Overhead Hydro	0
Fire Alarm	0
Fire Rough	0
Fire Sprinkler Final	20
Fire Miscellaneous	1
Fire Flush	0
Business Inspection	0

New Submittals

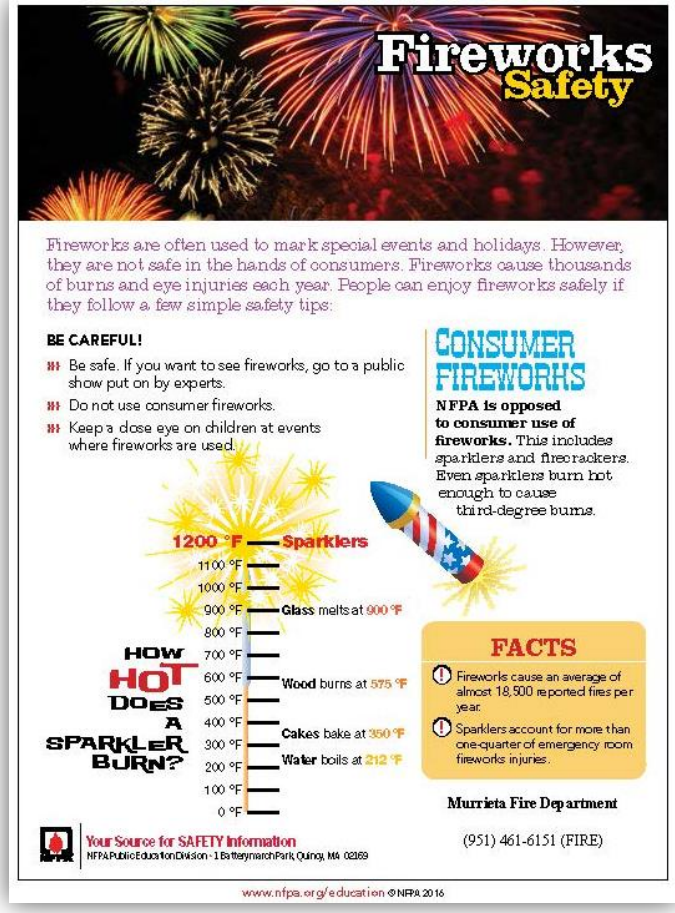
• Fire Sprinkler	3
• Fire Alarm	0
• Building	1
• High Pile Storage	1
• Underground	0

Resubmittals

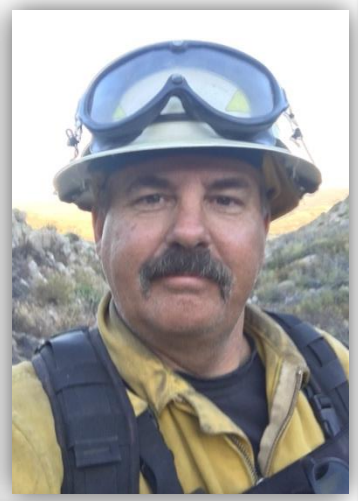
• Fire Sprinkler	2
• Fire Alarm	0
• Building	1

Approved Plans	18
Corrections	3
Fees Collected	$6,949

Pyrotechnic devices and injuries are synonymous with 4th of July. Unfortunately, the idea that consumer fireworks are completely safe, because "we could buy them legally", is a phrase that we hear way to often in the fire service. In fact, on average 230 people go to emergency rooms every day with fireworks-related injuries during the month of July (Consumer Product Safety Commission). With that said, please have a safe Independence Day and visit a professional fireworks show in your area. - *Jason*



MFD at the Border Fire



Top Left: FF/PM Brann-MREs buffet style. **Top Right:** BC Kean geared up. **Above:** FF/PM Asbury, Capt. Norton, Eng. Jackson, FF/PM Brann chow time! **Right:** Border Fire **Below:** BC Kean getting the camera ready.

So we can all go home…

SAFETY/HEALTH

-MFD Safety and Health Committee

Life Safety Initiative - 4

The fourth life safety initiative has to do with empowerment. "All firefighters must be empowered to stop unsafe practices." On the surface, this initiative seems very straightforward and simple, however it can be quite challenging.

We are all trained to respect the chain of command and obey the orders given to us by our supervisors and, while this is true and a very important component of the fire service, we must ensure that all personnel at all ranks are empowered to speak up when they see unsafe practices. This may be challenging for some, as it is counterintuitive to question or contradict a supervisor and, likewise, it is difficult seeing a subordinate speak out against an order. It is crucial, however, that the spirit of safety remain the focus and all concerns be addressed.

The Murrieta Fire Department prides itself on empowering each of its individuals at every rank to speak out regarding unsafe conditions or practices to ensure that the safest environment is provided for all of our members.

- Ackerman

CPR Instructor, Kay Riscol, teaches staff members of Calvary Chapel Murrieta Christian School, including Carrie Ramos (BC Ramos' daughter).