

volunteers. Stations 48 (Missouri Flat) and 49 (Diamond Springs) utilizes both sources of staffing while the remote stations such as Stations 44 (Logtown) and 47 (Sleepy Hollow) are completely staff with volunteers and resident firefighters. The district uses various fire equipment and apparatus ranging from support vehicles and types of engines to special equipment

The District sources of revenue include fees from Plan Review and Services, Community Facilities District (CFD) assessments, and Fire Facility Impact fees. Particularly, the current development impact fee, which has been in effect since 2006, per square foot of associated structures assessed by the District consists of the following: \$0.36 for Residential use, \$0.77 for Commercial use, and \$0.88 for Industrial use. This fee collected at issuance of building permit by the Development Services Department- Building Division.

As part of its Long Range Plan, the District analyzed the need for future potential facility improvements necessary to accommodate future development (2005 to 2025) within the district and the corresponding adjustments to the impact fees detailed in the *Fire Facilities Impact Fee Report*. The District identifies major facility improvements including the relocation of Station 48 (Missouri Flat Road) to a more suitable site in the area of Missouri Flat Road and Green Stone Road along Highway 50 and construction of multi-use facility in the Sand Ridge area. The District concluded that the current impact fee would need to be increased to the following updated rates: Residential use at \$0.62 per square foot and Industrial, Commercial, and Office at \$1.20 per square foot.

A public hearing to consider the proposed development fee increase as part of the Fire Facility Impact Fee Study dated January 1, 2010 (capital improvement plan) was conducted before the District’s Board of Directors on June 9, 2010 (Exhibit D). Under Resolution 2010.08, the Board of Directors adopted the Long Range Plan. In order to implement the proposed development fee increase, the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors would consider the action by the District at a separately scheduled public hearing.

GENERAL PLAN CONSISTENCY ANALYSIS

In accordance with Section 65401 of the Government Code, the submitted updated report and its findings are subject to determination of consistency with the El Dorado County General Plan. Table 1 below discusses the applicable policies and consistency findings.

Table 1. General Plan Consistency Determination

General Plan Policy	Policy Description	Consistency Determination
5.1.2.2 (Public Services and Utilities Element)	Establishes minimum levels of service for fire district response to be applied to the review of discretionary projects as an eight-minute response time. For Rural Center and Rural Regions the response time is 15 to 45 minutes.	Consistent. The development and implementation of the planned fire facilities will aid the Diamond Springs–El Dorado Fire Protection District in meeting these response times for future development.

5.7.1.1 (Public Services and Utilities Element)	Requires that prior to approval of new development, the applicant will be required to demonstrate that adequate emergency water supply, storage, conveyance facilities, and access for fire protection either are or will be provided concurrent with development.	Consistent. Continued assessment and collection of impact fees to fund the existing and future improvements will assist development project proponents in ensuring adequate facilities supporting fire protection.
6.2.3.1 (Health, Safety, and Noise Element)	Requires the County to find that, based on information from the applicant and responsible fire protection district, concurrent with development, adequate emergency water flow, fire access, and fire fighting personnel and equipment will be available for new development in accordance with applicable State and local fire district standards.	Consistent. Based on the updated study, implementation of impact fees would address the service needs of existing and future development within the District boundary.
10.2.1.4 (Economic Development Element)	Requires new discretionary development to pay its fair share of the costs of all civic, public, and community facilities it utilizes based upon the demand for these facilities that can be attributed to new development.	Consistent. Based on the updated study, implementation of the proposed impact fees would address the district service needs of the future development. Future discretionary applications would be reviewed for consistency with the policy and, as applicable, would be subject to the impact fee.

CONCLUSION

Based on the above information, the proposed CIP and its findings are found to be consistent with the applicable policies of the El Dorado County General Plan.

EXHIBITS:

- Exhibit A.....Government Code Section 65401
- Exhibit BFire Protection Districts in El Dorado County
- Exhibit B.1Diamond Springs-El Dorado Fire Protection District Boundary Map
- Exhibit CDiamond Springs-El Dorado Fire Protection District Fire Long Range Plan (Facilities Impact Fee Study)
- Exhibit D.....Board of Directors of the Diamond Springs-El Dorado Fire Protection District Resolution 2010.08