

County, State and Federal Fire Services in Humboldt County

Arcata/Eureka Airport Fire Hall

(Humboldt County Aviation Division)

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The Arcata/Eureka Airport Fire Hall provides firefighting services to the travelling public of Humboldt County's regional airport. The Airport Fire Hall operates as part of the Humboldt County Public Works, Aviation Division. The Airport Fire Hall has a 2008 Oshkosh 1500 Stryker, a specialized Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) vehicle. It carries 1,500 gallons of water and 210 gallons of Aqueous Film-Forming Foam (AFFF), which creates a barrier over fuel spills, removing the oxygen and smothering the fire. The truck also carries 500 lbs. of dry chemical. It has a Caterpillar C-16 engine; the truck can accelerate from 0-50 MPH in under 25 seconds. It can pump 750 gpm at high flow and 300 gpm at low flow. A second ARFF vehicle is a Ford F-450 truck that carries 150 gallons of water/AFFF mix and 500 lbs. of dry chemical.

The Airport Fire Hall staff is also responsible for all the maintenance and fueling at the Arcata/Eureka Airport and the maintenance at the five other general aviation airports in the county (Murray Field, Kneeland, Rohnerville, Dinsmore, and Garberville).

Challenges & Needs:

Our top need is replacing our old Quick Dash F-450 vehicle with a new vehicle that has an updated water/foam delivery system. We also need more personnel, as we are critically shorthanded.

Incident Responses		
Vegetation Fire:	Medical/Public Assistance:	Emergency Standby:
0	5	4
Personnel:	8	Total Responses: 9

*Due to the nature of available data, the incident responses reported above may over or underestimate actual responses.

CAL FIRE Humboldt-Del Norte Unit

Unit Chief: Kurt McCray

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The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) serves and safeguards the people and protects property and resources in State Responsibility Areas, as well as portions of federal lands in Humboldt and Del Norte counties. The Humboldt–Del Norte Unit (HUU) is comprised of Fire Control and Resource Management. The Unit’s Resource Management program operates out of four offices and is focused on sustainability of all natural resources including timber, education and research on forest pests, and fuel reduction programs to reduce fire danger. The Fire Protection program is comprised of fire suppression equipment, personnel and support staff at 11 stations, three conservation camps, an Interagency Emergency Command Center, an Air Attack base, and a Helitack base. Programs within the HUU include a Fire Prevention Bureau, a Fleet Management division, Pre-Fire Planning Battalion, and a Training Bureau.

Unit employees work closely with other local emergency responders from all agencies and disciplines through mutual- and automatic-aid agreements and provide services and education to many local communities. CAL FIRE is committed to working cooperatively with the Humboldt County Fire Chiefs’ Association, the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors, Fire Safe Councils, and other community and government organizations.

Incident Responses (within Humboldt County)						
Vegetation Fires	Structure Fires	Other Fires	Vehicle Accidents	Medical	Hazmat/ Menace	Other Services
201	9	137	92	293	19	443
Total Responses					1,194	
Conservation Camps	Fire Stations	Emergency Command Center	Air Program	Resource Management	Law Enforcement	Admin Staff
35	30	10	8	15	3	13
						Seasonal Positions
						100

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US Forest Service Six Rivers National Forest

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The Six Rivers National Forest and Redwood National Park protect both federal direct protection areas and state protection areas. Redwood National Park and Six Rivers National Forest are a “service first” organization and by agreement work together as one fire management organization, supporting each unit’s fire and land management objectives. The Six Rivers National Forest protects the wildland while managing fire on the landscape considering land management objectives, multiple uses, the Forest Service mission, and the Federal Fire Policy (FFP). In accordance with our goals from the FFP, we seek to create resilient landscapes and fire adapted communities with an overarching goal of effective risk-based decision-making for wildfire response. We work closely with CAL FIRE Humboldt-Del Norte Unit, Hoopa Wildland Fire Department, other federal agencies, neighboring National Forests, tribal governments, multiple volunteer and local fire departments throughout a four-county boundary area.



Incident Responses				
Agency	Wildland Fires	Smoke Checks	Law Enforcement	Public Assistance
SRF/ RWNP	98	69	207	323
		Total Responses		SRF/ RWNP 697
Six Rivers NF and Redwood NP Fire Personnel (Approximate)				
Full Time		Temporary		Seasonal
156		83		16

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