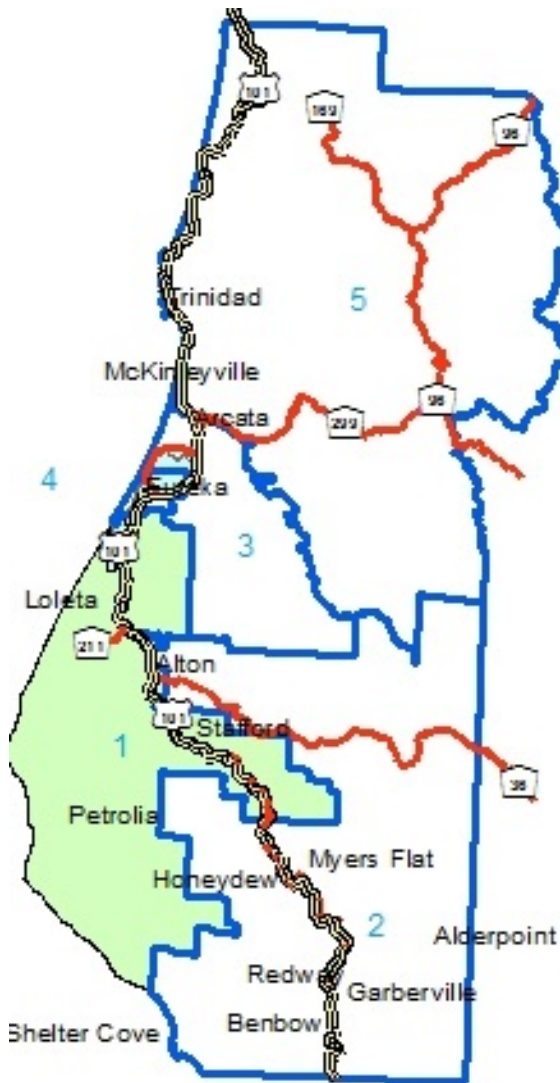


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Fire Departments:

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- Honeydew Volunteer Fire Company
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- Redcrest Volunteer Fire Company
- Scotia Volunteer Fire Company

Ferndale Volunteer Fire Department

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The Ferndale Volunteer Fire Department (FVFD) provides firefighting and emergency services to the Ferndale Fire Protection District (FFPD). The FFPD is responsible for a 42 square mile area containing the City of Ferndale, rural communities and farmland of the lower Eel River Valley on the south side of the river, and the Wildcat Ridge. The FVFD was founded in 1897 and is comprised of 29 members, with a Chief, two Assistant Chiefs, four Captains and Lieutenants, and 18 firefighters. Some of our current volunteers are third and fourth generation FVFD members.

Challenges & Needs:

Maintaining a strong volunteer base with increasing training requirements, regulations and an increasing number of calls each year.

The historic Ferndale Fire Hall was built in 1910 and still houses front line apparatus. Larger, modern engines and water tenders are housed in the new building across the street from the original hall, which was completed in 2010. FVFD has one light rescue truck, two Type-1 engines, one Type-2 engine, two water tenders, a quick attack truck and other assorted equipment. The FVFD continues to conduct its Annual Fund Drive, visiting every home and business in the district checking smoke detectors and providing information about the department. Other community events include the Annual Fireman's Games on Ferndale's Main Street held on President's Day weekend, fire truck rides on the Fourth of July, two annual community blood drives, fire safety presentations, and the lighting of the tallest living Christmas tree in the world every December.

Incident Responses							
Veg. Fires	Structure Fires	Other Fires	Vehicle Accidents	Medical	Hazmat/ Menace	Public Assistance	Other Services
4	11	16	12	151	17	23	5
Total Responses						239	
Volunteer Hours				Personnel			
Incident	Training	Maintenance	Fund-raising	Volunteer		Auxiliary	
5,662	939	209	275	29		16	

Honeydew Volunteer Fire Company

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Established in 1987 as a 501(c)(3) non-profit corporation, the Honeydew Volunteer Fire Company (HVFC) serves a response area of nearly 100 square miles. Our Area of Responsibility is rugged and isolated, presenting challenges to wildland firefighting, structure defense, and the delivery of emergency medical and rescue services. To keep response times to a minimum, we maintain three separate, strategically located fire stations. We respond with a 6-wd water tender, two Kaiser Type-6 engines (federal excess 4wds from the Vietnam War era), and a new-to-us 2003 Ford F-550 crew cab. Our community is approximately 400 strong, and has consistently supported us financially. With their collaboration, we have completed three first-rate single-purpose stations, the third adjacent to the CAL FIRE Mattole Station. Annually, HVFC hosts the “Roll on the Mattole”—an all-day music, crafts, and family-fun fundraiser that includes the Mattole Wildland Firefighters' Challenge.

Challenges & Needs:

Our community is small in population but large in area. Keeping our roster of volunteer firefighters and providing adequate training is always a challenge. New training requirements call for increased class time and costs. The cost of complete insurance coverage for our company and board of directors keeps us striving for grant funds and donations, which is constant and time-consuming. Raising money for another, newer fire truck competes for the money we raise each year. We have turned in the oldest FEPP Kaiser engine, and would like another newer quick-attack 4-wheel-drive brush rig to replace it.

HVFC has also collaborated with members of the local community to help make Honeydew a nationally recognized Firewise Community. Honeydew has been Firewise since 2011 and has maintained this status since then. The fire company is joining other volunteers in learning about and reintroducing prescribed fire to our area of responsibility. We are currently completing a fuels reduction project on Doreen Drive, which will help protect the homesteads along that dead-end road above Honeydew, in cooperation with the Lower Mattole Fire Safe Council.

Incident Responses							
Veg. Fires	Structure Fires	Other Fires	Vehicle Accidents	Medical	Hazmat/ Menace	Public Assistance	Other Services
4	0	5	7	10	1	1	2
Total Responses						30	
Volunteer Hours				Personnel			
Incident	Training	Maintenance	Fundraising	Volunteer		Auxiliary	
300	800	500	1000	16		4	

Loleta Volunteer Fire Department

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Asst. Chief: Jeff Robison
Asst. Chief: Andy Helzer

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The Loleta Volunteer Fire Department provides firefighting services to the Loleta Fire Protection District, which was formed in 1900 and currently has 23 active members. We currently have one paramedic and are registered as an Advanced Life Support (ALS) Department. We serve over 1,500 community members by utilizing the district's Type-1 Engine, two Type-2 Engines, one Type-3 Engine, one quick attack Gator with slide in pump and tank for off-road use, and one water tender. Our fundraisers include the Loleta Antique Show, Pit BBQ, and Annual Flea Market. Funds from the antique show help maintain the pavilion, which provides a public rental location for many events. Thanks to Measure Z we received wildland and structure turnouts to replace some aging sets. In 2017, we added a Gator OHV with a slide in pumping unit, capable of carrying a stokes basket for our many rural responses, with funding from a USDA 75/25 grant. Over the past couple years, we have graduated firefighters from the Explore program to active members in our fire department.

Incident Responses							
Veg. Fires	Structure Fires	Other Fires	Vehicle Accidents	Medical	Hazmat/ Menace	Public Assistance	Other Services
10	4	22	30	154	10	7	21
Total Responses						258	
Volunteer Hours				Personnel			
Incident	Training	Maintenance	Fundraising	Volunteer		Auxiliary	
1,862	1,245	425	875	23		0	

Petrolia Volunteer Fire Department

Chief: Travis C. Howe
Captain: Drew Barber
Captain: Jim Stephens

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The Petrolia Volunteer Fire Department (PVFD) provides firefighting services to the Petrolia Fire Protection District (PFPD).

Our apparatus include one 100-gallon water tender, two Type-3 engines, a Type-1 engine, an ambulance-type medical rescue engine, and an ATV with a winch and side-by-side setup for medical rescue. For as much as we give to this community, they give back. Two examples are the outstanding turnout and generosity we receive at our yearly BBQ and auction. This is in addition to the many miscellaneous donations we receive throughout the year.

Challenges & Needs:

It has been challenging to stretch our resources to cover a large response area, including areas located outside of the PFPD boundary. We looked at expanding our boundaries to match where we regularly respond to emergency calls but after much discussion and evaluation, we decided not to move forward at this time.

The PVFD has also collaborated with members of the local community to help make Petrolia a nationally recognized Firewise Community. Petrolia has been Firewise since 2011 and has maintained this status through 2015. PVFD continues to assist with the implementation of the community's Firewise Action Plan. Firewise actions include those things that will reduce the community's vulnerability to damage from wildfire.

Incident Responses							
Veg. Fires	Structure Fires	Other Fires	Vehicle Accidents	Medical	Hazmat/Menace	Public Assistance	Other Services
5	1	2	4	23	3	8	7
Total Responses							53
Volunteer Hours				Personnel			
Incident	Training	Maintenance	Fundraising	Volunteer		Auxiliary	
1500	2000	600	900	22		4	

Redcrest Volunteer Fire Company

Chief: Justin Olander
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Captain: Steve Jones

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The Redcrest Volunteer Fire Company (RVFC) serves communities in the Redcrest, Holmes, Larabee, Shively and Stafford areas as well as the corridor of Highway 101 and Highway 254 from Dyerville Loop to Shively Road. We respond with the following apparatus: a 2000 Type-1 Quality Spartan 6716 that has 1,000-gallon tank 1250 gpm pump acquired with Measure Z funds, a 1996 5-person rescue rig 6775 equipped with Amkus extrication gear. A Type-2 6725 engine and Type-4 6745 engine are stored on the Shively side of the river.

Through the Fire Chiefs' Association Measure Z funding, we are looking forward to building a structure for our apparatus.

Challenges & Needs:

Currently, the RVFC does not have a firehouse where apparatus can be kept secure and out of the elements. A firehouse would also provide a central point for training and bringing volunteers together. The company has been fundraising and reaching out to foundations for assistance. It has been difficult for the RVFC to attract and retain volunteer firefighters but efforts are underway to improve participation. Since the Wiyot department was disbanded, we have been providing services outside of our district.

Incident Responses							
Veg. Fires	Structure Fires	Other Fires	Vehicle Accidents	Medical	Hazmat/ Menace	Public Assistance	Other Services
4	2	6	17	18	-	-	4
Total Responses						51	
Volunteer Hours				Personnel			
Incident	Training	Maintenance	Fundraising	Volunteer		Auxiliary	
-	100	25	55	8		6	

Scotia Volunteer Fire Company

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Deputy Chief:
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The Scotia Volunteer Fire Company (SVFC) has 10 volunteers who provide fire protection, medical, and rescue services to approximately 800 people in a response area of 2.2 square miles. The SVFC takes pride in training all of their firefighters. Their main goal is to make sure that firefighters are kept out of harm's way so they can make it home safely.

Apparatus used include Engine 7012, a 2016 Rosenbauer Type-1, 1,250 gallons per minute (gpm) Pumper; Engine 7014, a 1985 Type-1, 1500 gpm pumper; Engine 7047, a 250 gpm Mini Pumper; Rescue 7075, a medical Response Vehicle; a Chiefs Pickup 7000; and a Rescue Trailer 7071 which carries Jaws-of-Life and rope rescue equipment. This year, the SVFD was able to purchase a UTV vehicle for off road responses from donations and fundraisers.

Challenges & Needs:
 Acquiring wildland turnouts is the main need for the Fire Department in 2018.

Incident Responses							
Veg. Fires	Structure Fires	Other Fires	Vehicle Accidents	Medical	Hazmat/ Menace	Public Assistance	Other Services
2	8	0	2	62	0	16	54
Total Responses							144
Volunteer Hours				Personnel			
Incident	Training	Maintenance	Fundraising	Volunteer		Auxiliary	
494.57	523.25	-Contracted	80	10		3	