

Appendix L: Public Services Response Letters

Diamond Springs-El Dorado RECEIVED MAR 27 2008 Fire Protection District

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March 24, 2008

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Attn John Baas, Project Manager
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RE: EIR Response Diamond Springs Parkway Project

Factual:

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The closest station to the proposed facility is located at **501 Main Street in Diamond Springs, CA** and is staffed by two, career personnel on a fire engine.

Calls for Service:

In 2007 The District responded to 2523 request for service.

- 65.35% Medical
- 5.27% Fire related
- 1.03% Hazard condition
- 2.97% False call
- 25.3% Other

Primary response issues

- Medical as it relates to volume.
- Fire threat from vegetation fires as they relates to structures.
- Staffing limitations related to institutional and high hazard occupancy responses.

Response Times:

The District does not track the “average response times” for a statistical basis. The El Dorado County General Plan establishes the following standard: “The minimum levels of service for the Fire District response, on discretionary projects, shall be an “eight minute response time standard, to eighty percent of the population, within a community region”. The General Plan further states, “a fifteen to forty-five minute response time standard shall be maintained in the rural centers and rural regions of the District’s communities.”

The District, based on our last planning cycle determined that it has a 9.5 minute response time, 80% of the time. This performance applies to priority incidents, but only accounts for the arrival of the first unit, not the adequate staffing of the incident. The last planning cycle is based on 2005 data.

The response performance for the District, when adequate concentration for personnel and equipment are considered, equates to the following:

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| 2) | Vehicle Collisions | 10.0 Minutes | 80% of the time |
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situation. However, in looking at the neighboring FMAs, which are well developed, this area will have challenges, when developed, in its ability to concentrate necessary fire resources. It will be further challenged by the effects of an increasing call volume in the Missouri Flat Road area, Highway 49 area and other related traffic infrastructures.

Existing Facility Impacts:

There is no existing facility being replaced. Similar existing facilities produce approximately twenty (20) hours of staff commitment per year unrelated to incident responses or construction. Facilities of similar size and use produce +/- 98 incidents each year, committing 50% of the Districts emergency resources during these incidents for an average of forty-five minutes on each incident.

Additionally, the District has major concerns about the ability of the existing infrastructure to support fire flows required by this development. The District has not seen a commitment by the water purveyor to support this, or future development, in this general area of the community. Additionally, this area is home to several bulk distributors of propane. This must be a concern in final project design and mitigation.

On Going Concerns:

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Needs Assessment Documents:

The District maintains several documents that may be helpful to the development;

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- 2) The long Range Plan (available on line)
- 3) The Fire Facilities Impact Study (available on line)

This response is intended to supplement or correct data provided on the questionnaire dated February 4, 2008. Responses are not all inclusive and are time sensitive.

Sincerely,



Todd Cunningham
Fire Chief



Diamond Springs / El Dorado Fire Protection District Fire Prevention Division

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March 29, 2010

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Calls for Service:

In 2008 The District responded to 2472 request for service.

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- 3.11% Fire related
- 1.39% Hazard condition
- 1.78% False call
- 34.3% Other

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Sincerely,



Rob Combs
Assistant Chief/Fire Marshal



JEFF NEVES

SHERIFF - CORONER - PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR
COUNTY OF EL DORADO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

REPLY TO:

HEADQUARTERS
300 FAIR LANE
PLACERVILLE
CA 95667
530 621-5655
FAX 626-8163

JAIL DIVISION
300 FORNI ROAD
PLACERVILLE
CA 95667
530 621-6000
FAX 626-9472

TAHOE DIVISION
1860 JOHNSON BLVD., SUITE 100
SOUTH LAKE TAHOE
CA 96150
530 573-3000
FAX 544-6809

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Michael Brandman Association
John Baas, Senior Project Manager
2000 "O" Street, Suite 200
Sacramento, CA 95811

RE: Request for information for the proposed Diamond Dorado Retail Center

Dear Mr. Baas:

I have reviewed the statistical information you have inquired about and I have listed below the corrected stats.

1) EDSO is the primary law enforcement agency in the unincorporated area of El Dorado County. EDSO has two main offices and one satellite office. The closest office to the Project site is the Placerville Office, located at 300 Fair Lane.

Staffing

EDSO is divided into five divisions; Administrative, Custody, Investigations, Patrol, and Support. Currently EDSO has 184 sworn Deputies, Sergeants, and Managers.

We also have the STAR program, which consists of senior volunteers who handle various tasks including fingerprinting booths to public awareness programs.

Calls for Service

The proposed Project is located in Zone 1 of the EDSO service area. We typically receive 79,881 calls for service on an annual basis, and approximately 15,260 in Zone 1. (stats from 2007)

Response Times

The average response time for calls in zone 1 with a high priority is 13:11 (minutes/seconds (2007)).

Level of Service Standards

EDSO strives to maintain a ratio of one deputy per 1,000 residents, and the current ratio is just over one deputy per 1,000 residents. Regarding staffing ratio: While a ratio of deputies per 1,000 has been a commonly used formula, within the last two years we have switched to a concept called a Patrol Allocation Study. Under this methodology we determine workload based on calls for service, obligated time and a shift relief factor. This method is more statistically based than the previous "rule of thumb".

Using this concept we were able to determine that we currently have adequate staffing for our Placerville Patrol Division.

Secondary Response

Two agencies provide secondary response for EDSO. The City Police Departments provide secondary response to incidents that occur near the city limits. The California Highway Patrol provides secondary response to all other areas outside the city of Placerville. EDSO provides secondary response to crime incidents within the cities of Placerville and South Lake Tahoe.

2) Are EDSO staffing levels adequate to meet existing demands for service?

The opening of the Materials Recovery facility at the newly proposed location should have no significant impact on calls for service; and in turn no significant impact to staffing. The current MRF is in the same Zone and it is assumed whatever calls now generated by the MRF would merely transfer to the new location.

The impact of the Diamond Dorado Retail Center is more difficult to gage. Normally, the response would be that concentrating more people in any one area, as such a shopping center would do with employees and customers would generate more calls for service. As an example, we have seen steadily increasing calls for service as Towne Center in El Dorado Hills continues to grow.

In the case of the Diamond Dorado Retail Center, it is located within the same Zone as the soon to open Red Hawk Casino. While we have increased staffing in anticipation of an increased call volume directly attributable to the Casino, those increases are estimated based on comparisons with other nearby Indian Casinos.

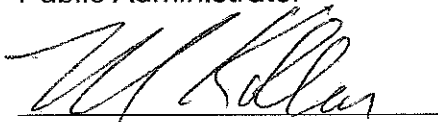
But until the Casino has been open for at least a year, we cannot accurately predict its impact on law enforcement.

In summary, while I am optimistic we will have adequate staffing for both the Casino and the Diamond Dorado Retail Center, I currently have no way to accurately predict the impact of both combined.

3) Other than what is described above, there are no additional law enforcement concerns with either the Materials Recovery Facility or the Diamond Dorado Retail Center.

Very truly yours,

JEFF NEVES
Sheriff - Coroner
Public Administrator



By: Undersheriff Fred Kollar

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FRED KOLLAR

SHERIFF - CORONER - PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR
COUNTY OF EL DORADO
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Michael Brandman Associates
Trevor Macenski
2000 "O" Street, Suite 200
Sacramento, Ca 95811

Trevor Macenski,

The following is in response to your request for information for an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the development in the Diamond Springs Area. The answers are numbered to correspond to your original letter.

1. The Main Sheriff's Facility located at 300 Fair Lane, Placerville, CA would be the primary location to service the proposed project.
2. The response area that includes the project area encompasses the Placerville and Diamond Springs area. The average response time for all the call priority types we respond to in this area is six minutes and twenty seconds (6:20).
3. The average response time for all call priority types we respond to in the rest of our jurisdiction is six minutes and forty-one seconds (6:41).
4. We have three shifts per day and each shift is staffed with 10 officers on average. This equates to approximately 30 officers per 24 hour period to respond to calls, with those officers distributed throughout the day.
5. The Sheriff's office has approximately 35 emergency response vehicles available to the above officers for responding to calls for service, including emergency calls.
6. The current patrol staffing levels are based upon the budget restrictions currently in place at the county government level. With recent increases in calls for service, the staffing levels should probably be higher. Within the next five years our patrol staff should be increased by 10 – 15 officers. Our Sheriff's main facility is over 30 years old. It is inadequate to house all of the Sheriff's Office personnel and as a result, Sheriff's personnel are stationed in four geographically separate facilities. The Sheriff's Office has been attempting to secure a new facility that would accommodate all Sheriff's Office personnel. The proposed facility is estimated at 80,000 square feet and would occupy five acres of land.

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JAIL DIVISION- 300 FORNI ROAD, PLACERVILLE, CA 95667
TAHOE JAIL- 1051 AL TAHOE BLVD., SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, CA 96150
TAHOE PATROL- 1360 JOHNSON BLVD., SUITE 100, SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, CA 96150



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7. We have an additional 25 to 30 vehicles available to non-patrol personnel to accommodate the needs of other law enforcement personnel servicing the entire jurisdiction.
8. The Sheriff's Office currently provides mutual aid assistance to Placerville Police Department by handling all incidents requiring a SWAT team. Additionally, the Sheriff's Office handles all Bomb related calls for El Dorado County and City of Placerville.
9. I have attached the 2009 Reportable Crimes for El Dorado County. This report is required by California Department of Justice every year.
10. Since the proposed project involves a large grocery store and numerous other retail establishments, an increase in property crimes and crimes against persons can be expected. As a result, the number of calls for service for the Diamond Springs/Placerville area would increase, possibly necessitating an increase in the number of officers needed to service the area. Without specific numbers regarding the increase in calls for service, it is difficult to quantify the additional deputies needed. However, it is reasonable to expect that an additional deputy per shift might be necessary as the development reached its full occupancy/usage. This would mean 6 additional deputies would be needed to fulfill the 24/7 requirement and 2 additional patrol vehicles would be needed for those deputies.

Respectfully,

Fred Kollar
Sheriff – Coroner
Public Administrator

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**2009 Reportable Crimes
El Dorado County Sheriff**

Violent Crime					Property Crimes				Larceny-Theft			
Total	Homicide	Forcible Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assault	Total	Burglary	Motor Vehicle Theft	Larceny- theft over \$400	Total	Over \$400	\$400 and under	Arson
176	3	17	23	133	591	365	10	216	520	216	304	10

*** Note these totals do no include Placerville Police Department Crimes