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Santa Clara County Fire Department Announces Plans for Redwood Fire Station Upgrade

Santa Clara County – Santa Clara County Fire Department's Redwood Fire Station, serving the Lexington Basin and Summit Road areas, will receive a significant upgrade over the next couple of years.

Plans to rebuild the station were unveiled at the Redwood Estates Services Association Annual Meeting on March 18th. The current station, a manufactured home delivered to the site in 1979, has exceeded its useful service life and will be replaced with a permanent fire station that meets essential services facility standards.

According to Deputy Chief Daron Pisciotta, the goal is to provide a fire station that can efficiently serve the community for the next 50-years and is designed to meet the unique service needs of the unincorporated Santa Clara County communities in the Santa Cruz Mountains. The new station will house two fire engines, a wildland urban interface fire engine and a four-wheel drive wildland fire engine, as well as a four-wheel drive pickup truck. The new structure will also provide better separation between the apparatus bays and living quarters, as well as expanded sleeping quarters and shower facilities. These upgrades will provide a safer, less toxic environment for personnel and allow for potential staffing increases when extreme fire weather conditions or other emergency situations warrant.

With some site modifications, the station will be built in the current location next to the Redwood Estates Pavilion, and the Department tentatively expects to break ground on the new station by the end of 2018. There will be no impact to emergency services during construction and the department will use existing revenue sources to finance the capital improvements.

Redwood Fire station is located at 21452 Madrone Drive, in the Redwood Estates neighborhood, an unincorporated Santa Clara County community in the Santa Cruz Mountains. It is one of 15 fire stations within Santa Clara County Fire Department, and

one of two stations that directly serves the Highway 17 corridor between Los Gatos and Summit Road.

For more information more information on the Redwood Fire Station project, please contact Fire Captain / PIO, Bill Murphy.

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