

# Presentation to DMFDD Governing Board

In response to

East Desert Fire May 17-18, 2020

Ocotillo Fire May 30, 2020

Cave Creek, AZ

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July 11, 2019



## TOWN OF CAVE CREEK MARSHAL'S OFFICE



### Emergency Management

- Cave Creek is prepared for this fire season and every fire season.
- In the event of a fire in town limits, be it a brush fire or a structure fire, car fire etc.
  - A. Rural Metro Fire Department responds anywhere in town limits
  - B. A Captain (Senior Officer) is assigned to an engine company
  - C. If the fire is large or has the potential to impact more than one residence, a Battalion Chief Responds.
  - D. Based upon the initial dispatch information, does the person calling 911 actually see flames or simply sees smoke? Is this a structure fire, brush, a vehicle? Depending on this information 911 it will determine what resources are dispatched.
  - E. The Maricopa County Sheriff's Office is notified.
  - F. Marshal Stein is notified and responds to the scene.
  - G. The on scene Rural Metro Officer will determine if additional resources are required. Rural Metro typically starts sending additional resources as soon as the 911 caller reports a fire. Typically a Tanker (additional water) a Brush Truck and an additional Engine are started from another station. (Carefree Station, Rio Verde etc.)
  - H. If the fire is large and additional resources are needed then MUTUAL AID is activated. Typically for a structure fire or large brush fire, Cave Creek will have, Rural Metro Fire, Daisy Mountain Fire, Scottsdale Fire and City of Phoenix Fire onsite. Tonto National Forest Hot Shots are also available to respond in an emergency and we typically see the Tonto Forest Resources in town on a weekly basis.
  - I. The Town also has an Inter-Governmental Agreement with Maricopa County Emergency Management. When activated, we have the full resources of the entire county.

July 12, 2019



### Important Fire Prevention Information and Recommendations

Dear Town of Cave Creek Residents, Property Owners and Business Owners,

As you are aware, we are in the midst of an **Extreme Fire Season** in the Town of Cave Creek and our surrounding area. We want to assure you that the Town of Cave Creek has the resources available in the event of a fire in our community. In cases of large fires, when additional resources are necessary, our **MUTUAL AID** is activated as provided for in our agreement with Maricopa County Emergency Management. Rural Metro and fire departments from the cities of Phoenix and Scottsdale, Daisy Mountain Fire, Tonto National Forest Hot Shots and other jurisdictions will be called to respond, as needed.

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**Purpose**

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**Definitions**

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**Authority**

When Mutual Aid assistance is provided, the Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) remains ultimately responsible for the incident and must provide incident support.

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AGREEMENT NO. 84990

This Agreement made and entered into this 7<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1998 by and between the CITY OF PHOENIX, (Phoenix) a municipal corporation, and the RURAL METRO CORPORATION, (Rural Metro) an Arizona corporation.

WITNESSETH

WHEREAS, Phoenix has in the past had agreements with other municipalities and entities for mutual assistance in fire protection, and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of Phoenix and Rural Metro to enter into a limited mutual fire protection assistance Agreement for certain specified areas of Phoenix, Scottsdale and Maricopa County.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED:

1. That Phoenix and Rural Metro each shall respond under limited mutual aid to calls that occur within one mile or less from Phoenix boundaries in the specified North and East of the City areas as set forth on the attached map marked as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference. The party's response shall depend upon whether the closest unit is in quarters and what the activity level is for their area at the time of the call. Neither party is bound to respond and can decline if it feels it is in its best interest to do so.
2. That it is further agreed that the intent of this Agreement is to provide better first due unit response coverage to each party's constituents and that the scope of this Agreement is

**FIRE, EMERGENCY MEDICAL, AND RESCUE RESPONSE AGREEMENT  
BETWEEN THE CITY OF SCOTTSDALE AND RURAL/METRO FIRE DEPT. INC.**

This Fire, Emergency Medical, and Rescue Response Agreement ("Agreement"), made and entered into May 23, 2017 (the "Effective Date"), by the City of Scottsdale (the "City"), an Arizona municipal corporation acting by and through its Fire Department (the "Department"), and Rural/Metro Fire Dept. Inc. ("Rural/Metro"), an Arizona corporation; individually a "Party" and collectively the "Parties."

**AGREEMENT**

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the Parties agree as follows:

1. City Response to Rural/Metro Calls. The Department may respond to calls for help received from the Fire Chief of Rural/Metro or other authorized person in command of or responsible for the fire protection provided by Rural/Metro; provided, however, that the response is to be given only when the Department is not otherwise occupied and only when the services of the responding unit can be spared by the Department with a margin of safety to protect the citizens and property of the City. Rural/Metro agrees not to call for such help unless (a) the fire, medical emergency or rescue is of such a nature that it cannot be handled by its equipment due to resources being committed to other fires, medical emergencies or rescues simultaneously, or (b) due to the geographical distance to the call for service, it would be in the interest of

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# BUILDING AND FIRE SAFETY

May 14, 2020

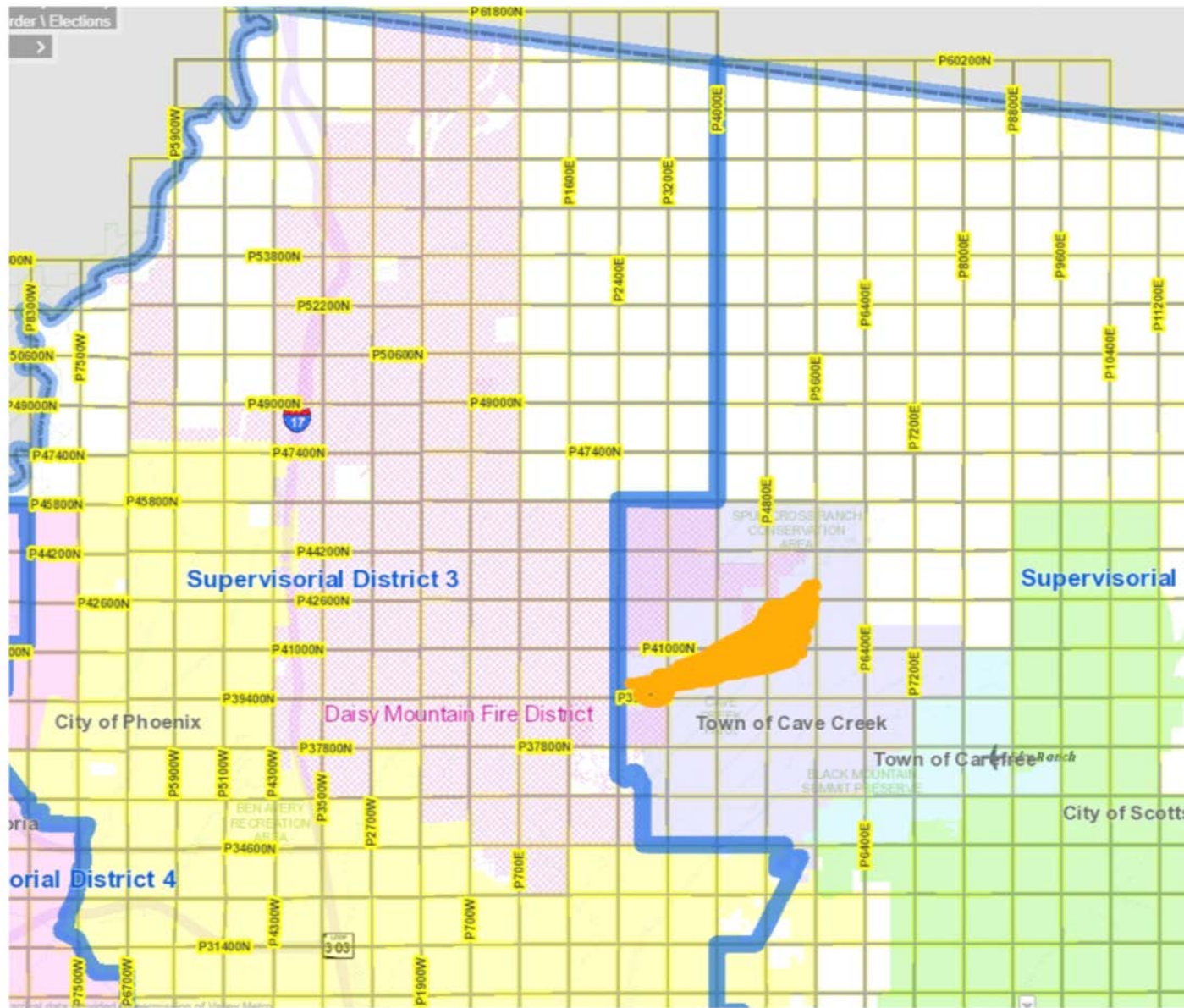
The Town has taken steps to increase fire safety in the community, including wrapping up fire hydrant inspections for all 528 Cave Creek managed hydrants ensuring they are all functioning. The Building Department has also increased outreach to local homeowner associations and is informing all homeowners and contractors receiving permits about how to reduce fire risks in our community.

Rural Metro Fire Department (RMFD) has initial fire response abilities if a fire were to spark in the community. Their initial response to a brush fire would include two fire engines, one brush truck, one water tanker and an ambulance that are based out of Cave Creek and Carefree. RMFD also has the ability to call on mutual aid if their resources are not sufficient to handle the brush fire.

# EAST DESERT "MUTUAL AID" FIRE MAY 17 & 18, 2020



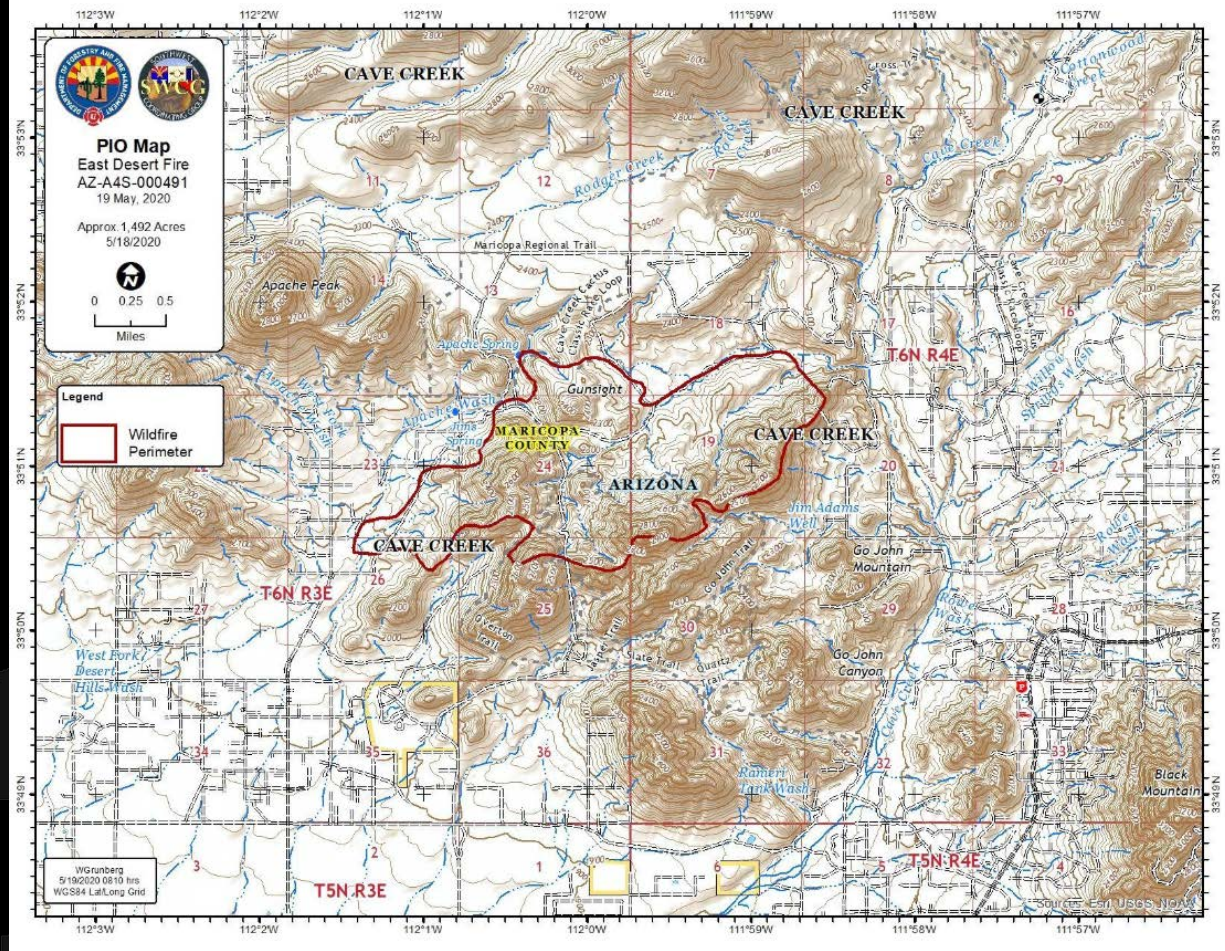




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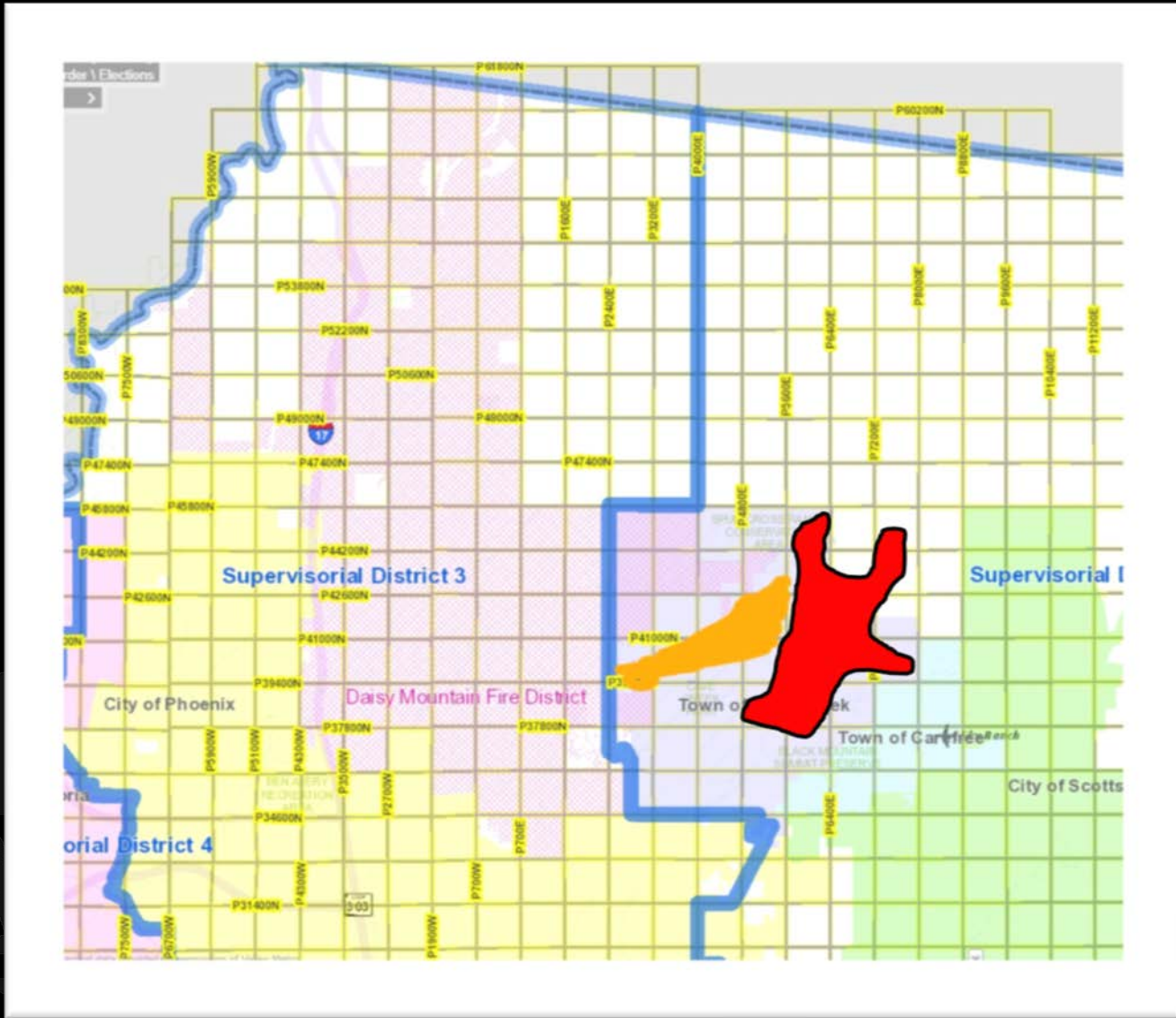


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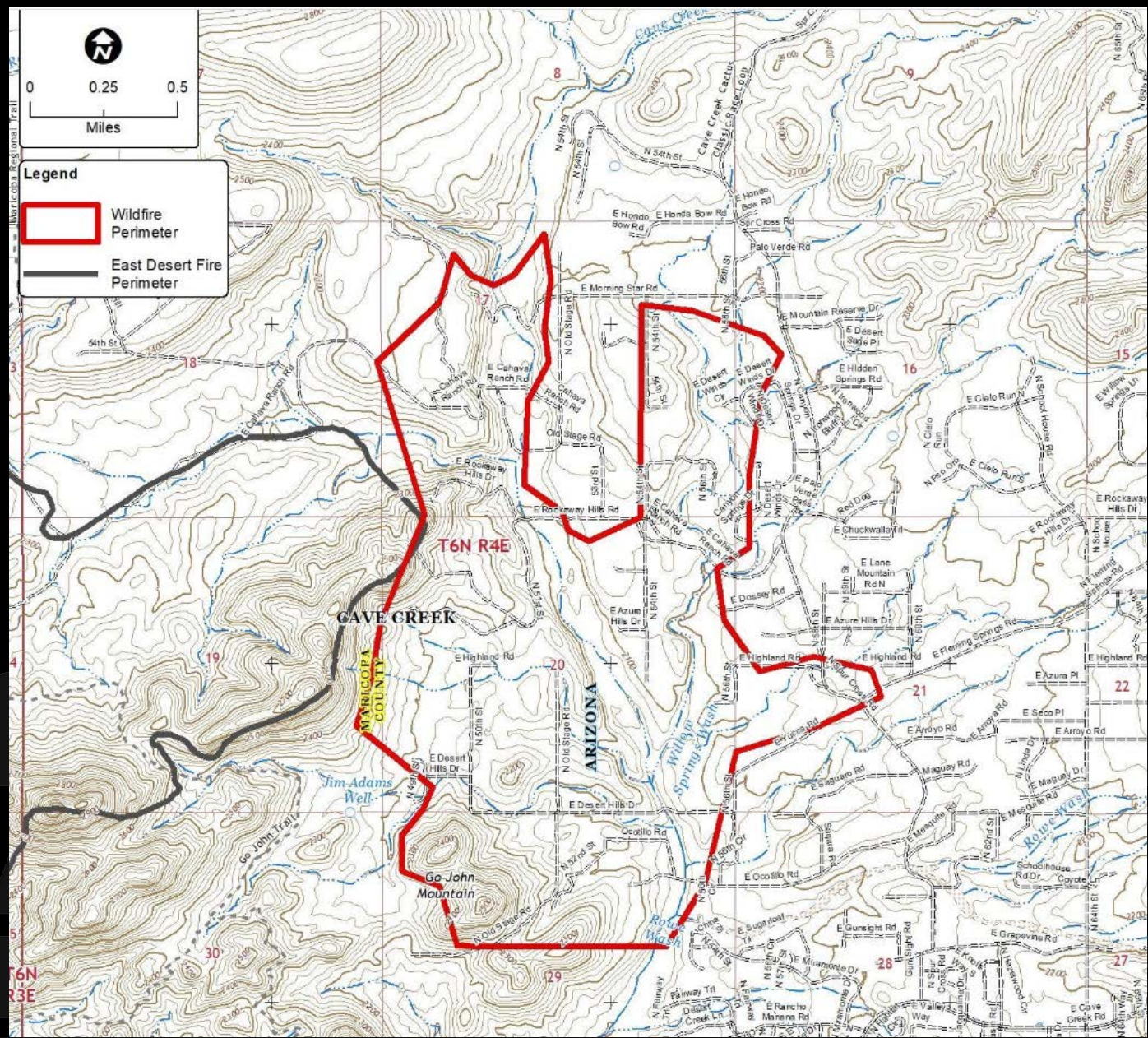
# OCOTILLO "MUTUAL AID" FIRE MAY 30, 2020





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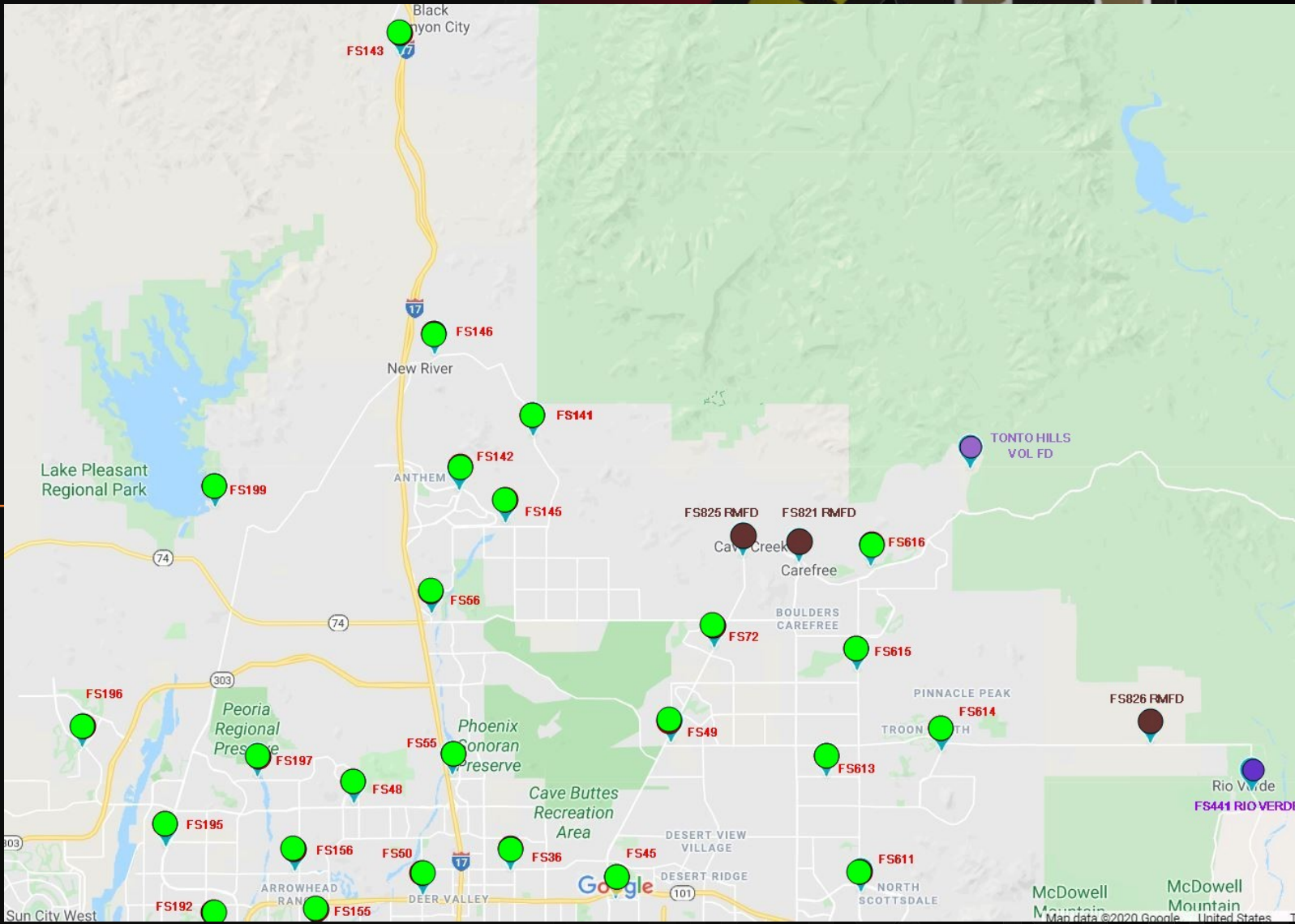




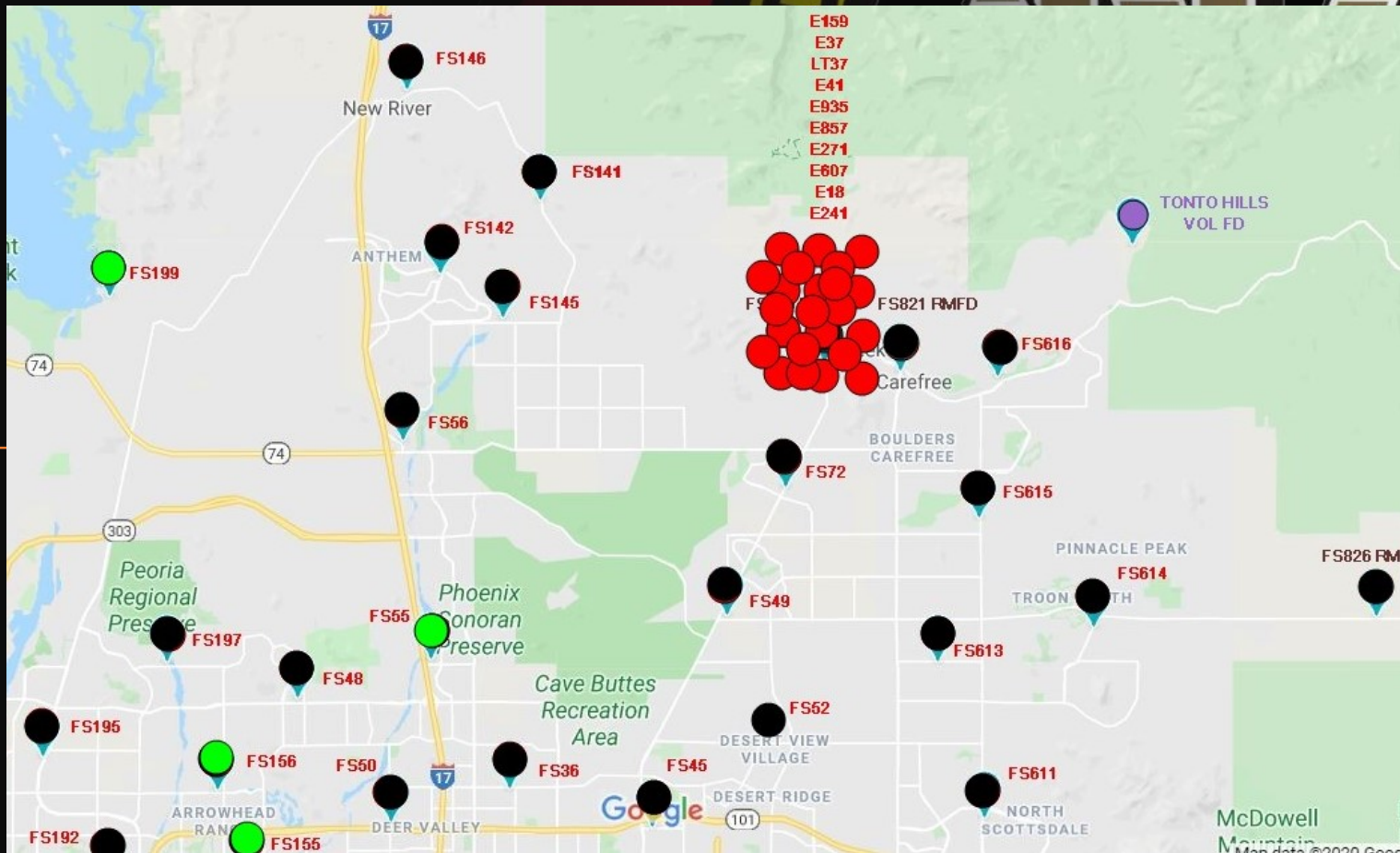
What is the response of the DMFD to a neighboring jurisdiction that exploits the resources of the automatic aid system with no regard for its own participation?

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Regional Metropolitan Phoenix Fire Service Automatic Aid System. Units in green when available.



Regional Metropolitan Phoenix Fire Service Automatic Aid System. Units in black when un-available.

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# TOWN OF CAVE CREEK OPTIONS

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*Pay the invoice(s) presented by the Regional Metropolitan Phoenix Fire Service Automatic Aid System and its Participants for response to **THREE** greater Alarm incidents in the Town of Cave Creek on May 16<sup>th</sup> , 17<sup>th</sup> , and 30<sup>th</sup> 2020*

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Regional Metropolitan Phoenix Fire Service Automatic Aid System

Town of Cave Creek Response May 17-18, 2020

|              |                      |  |  |  |  |
|--------------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| DAISY MTN FD | \$ 91,225.00         |  |  |  |  |
| PHOENIX      | \$ 69,106.50         |  |  |  |  |
| SCOTTSDALE   | \$ 14,674.91         |  |  |  |  |
| GLENDALE     | \$ 6,533.00          |  |  |  |  |
| PEORIA       | \$ 5,821.50          |  |  |  |  |
| OTHERS       | \$ 5,377.50          |  |  |  |  |
|              |                      |  |  |  |  |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>\$ 192,738.41</b> |  |  |  |  |

Regional Metropolitan Phoenix Fire Service Automatic Aid System

Town of Cave Creek Response May 30, 2020

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|--------------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| DAISY MTN FD | \$7,900.00           |  |  |  |  |
| PHOENIX      | \$61,044.50          |  |  |  |  |
| SCOTTSDALE   | \$24,164.48          |  |  |  |  |
| GLENDALE     | \$1,102.50           |  |  |  |  |
| PEORIA       | \$1,470.00           |  |  |  |  |
| Others       | \$22,409.00          |  |  |  |  |
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| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>\$ 118,090.48</b> |  |  |  |  |
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| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>\$ 310,828.89</b> |  |  |  |  |

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*Commit by Town Resolution to organize and structure a Fire Department that meets the standards and requirements of “Article 2-AUTOMATIC AID ELIGIBILITY STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS” of the IGA for the Regional Metropolitan Phoenix Fire Service Automatic Aid System at all times, **including system enhancements;***





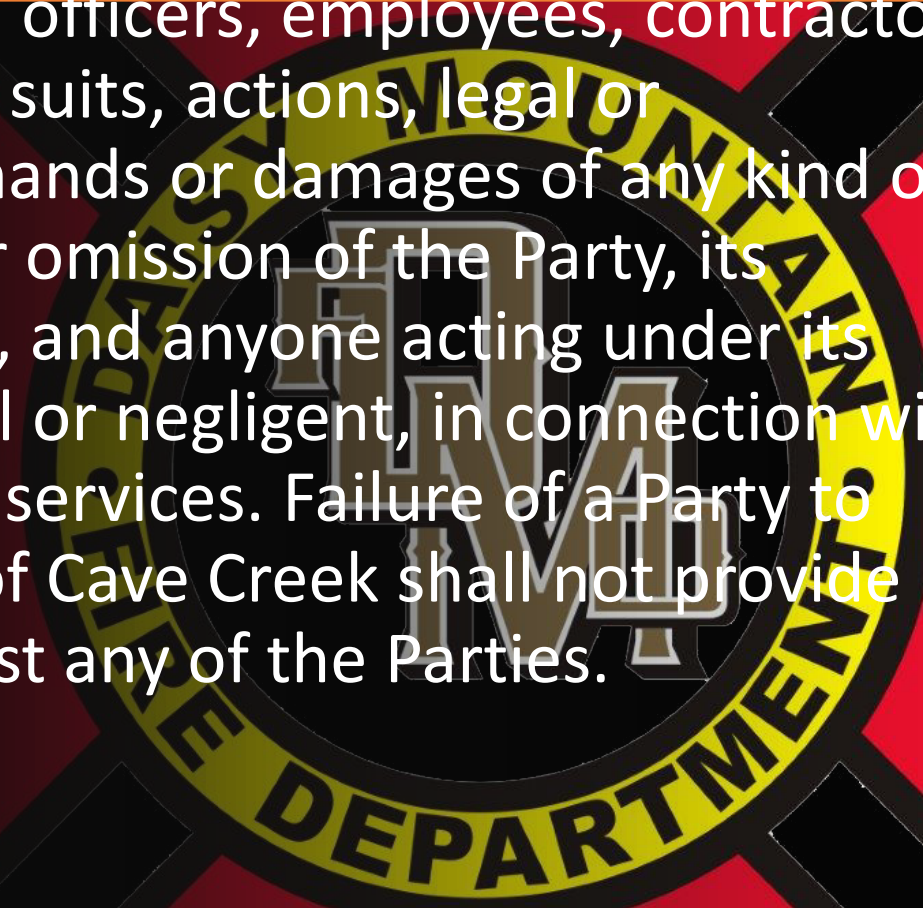
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- To the extent permitted by law, the Regional Metropolitan Phoenix Fire Service Automatic Aid System and the Town of Cave Creek hereby covenant and agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the other Party, their elected officials, appointees, officers, employees, contractors, and agents from and against any and all suits, actions, legal or administrative proceedings, claims, demands or damages of any kind or nature which are the result of any act or omission of the Party, its officers, employees, contractors, agents, and anyone acting under its direction or control, whether intentional or negligent, in connection with fire protection and/or other emergency services. Failure of a Party to respond within or outside of the Town of Cave Creek shall not provide the basis of any third-party action against any of the Parties.



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# BUSINESS AS USUAL

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