

BECKWOURTH PEAK

FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Information Sheet

ABOUT THE NEW FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT (FPD):

- Beckwourth Peak Fire Protection District, (BPPFD or FPD) will provide service to Eastern Plumas County to areas currently served by the City of Portola, Beckwourth FPD, Gold Mountain Community Services District (CSD) and Sierra Valley FPD. The FPD will also serve areas that are currently outside of any local jurisdictional boundary assigned to provide services.
- Beckwourth Peak FPD will respond to fires, medical distress calls, vehicle accidents, hazardous material spills and the many other calls received.
- The FPD will be managed by an elected five-member Board of Directors who are registered voters within the service area of BPPFD.
- The new FPD will establish a consistent, long-term community-based and locally controlled revenue source to support the sustainable delivery of provided services.

**The new FPD does not include areas currently served by Eastern Plumas Rural FPD.*

IS MY PROPERTY WITHIN THE PROPOSED NEW FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOUNDARY?

Please use this [link](#)¹ to access an online map that shows the Beckwourth Peak FPD boundary.

- Beckwourth Peak FPD is intended to include all of the parcels where it will most likely be called as the primary local responder. The FPD will officially include residents who are part of Eastern Plumas County that are out of the “boundaries” of current service providers but still receive services.

WHAT STEPS ARE NEEDED TO FORM BECKWOURTH PEAK FPD?

- ✓ A Resolution of Application was adopted by each existing partner agency that requested the Plumas Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) take proceedings for a reorganization to include a new FPD.
- ✓ Plumas LAFCo held a hearing to adopt a resolution requesting the Board of Supervisors to call an election and place a measure on the November 7, 2023 ballot.
- ✓ A property tax sharing agreement was adopted by the Board of Supervisors and District Election called.
- Registered voters who reside within the Beckwourth Peak FPD boundary will vote on one measure with three components: 1) Forming a fire protection district, 2) Establishing a new special tax, and 3) Electing a board of directors.
- Two-Thirds (2/3) of the votes cast by registered voters need to be in favor of the new special tax in order for the Beckwourth Peak FPD to officially be formed.

HOW WILL BECKWOURTH PEAK FPD BE FUNDED?

- **New Special Tax:** A new annual special tax, based on land use types, is proposed for parcels located within the Beckwourth Peak FPD boundary. If approved by voters on the November 7, 2023 ballot, all existing special taxes and assessments used to fund community fire protection, medical and rescue services by the City of Portola and Beckwourth FPD would no longer be levied. Gold Mountain CSD will retain a portion of or all of their Special Tax currently assessed. No such taxes are currently levied with Sierra Valley Fire FPD.
- **Tax Exchange Agreement with the County:** Beckwourth Peak FPD, in an agreement with Plumas County, will receive a portion of the property taxes currently collected on the tax roll, at no additional cost to property owners, to fund the FPD.
- Beckwourth Peak FPD will pursue fundraising, donations and grants to contribute to its operations budget.



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