

APPENDIX B: UNIT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Following are the Marin County Fire Department 6 goals and objectives concerning implementation of the Strategic Fire Plan:

Goal 1: Identify and evaluate wildland fire hazards and recognize life, property and natural resource assets at risk, including watershed, habitat, social and other values of functioning ecosystems. Objective: Collect, analyze, and maintain hazard and resource data, leveraging MCFD's GIS capabilities.

Goal 2: Articulate and promote the concept of land use planning as it relates to fire risk and individual landowner objectives and responsibilities. Objective: Identify the minimum key elements necessary to achieve a fire safe community, and incorporate these elements into community outreach.

Goal 3: Support and participate in the collaborative development and implementation of wildland fire protection plans and other local, county and regional plans that address fire protection and landowner objectives. Objectives: Develop a robust county fire plan by bringing together community-based groups, such as fire safe councils and affected fire and land management agencies. Create and support venues in which individual community members can be actively involved in local fire safe councils, community emergency response teams, FIREWISE and other community-based efforts to develop readiness plans and educate landowners to mitigate the risks and effects of wildland fire.

Goal 4: Increase awareness, knowledge and actions implemented by individuals and communities to reduce human loss and property damage from wildland fires, such as defensible space and other fuels reduction activities, fire prevention and fire safe building standards. Objective: Educate landowners, residents and business owners about the risks and their incumbent responsibilities of living in the wildlands, including applicable regulations, prevention measures and preplanning activities, emphasizing personal responsibility.

Goal 5: Integrate fire and fuels management practices with landowner priorities and multiple jurisdictional efforts within local, state and federal responsibility areas. Objective: Work to remove regulatory barriers that limit hazardous fuels reduction activities.

Goal 6: Determine the level of fire suppression resources necessary to protect the values and assets at risk identified. Objective: Initiate and maintain cooperative fire protection agreements with local, state and federal partners that value the importance of an integrated, cooperative, regional fire protection system and deliver efficient and cost effective emergency response capabilities beneficial to all stakeholders.