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December 10, 2024

TO:

EACH SUPERVISOR

FROM:

ANTHONY C. MARRONE, FIRE CHIEF



CONTRACT AIR - SUPERSCOOPER EXTENSION

This is to inform your Honorable Board of the Consolidated Fire Protection District's (District) intent, through the delegated contract authority, to extend the two CL-415 SuperScoopers leased from the Government of Quebec until December 31, 2024. The SuperScoopers' current lease expired on November 29, 2024. We notified your Honorable Board on November 26, 2024, of an initial extension until December 15, 2024. Due to the continued lack of measurable precipitation and critically low live fuel moistures, the District is requesting an additional extension.

Contract Air would typically be released after measurable rainfall is received resulting in a subsequent increase in live fuel moisture. However, to date the entire district has received less than one inch of rain and live fuel moistures remain at critical levels.

The District will continue to monitor the fire activity, wildland fuel conditions, and weather forecasts to determine if these important firefighting resources will need to be extended past December 31, 2024. I will keep your Board apprised accordingly.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (323) 881-6180, or your staff may contact Chief Deputy Jon O'Brien, Emergency Operations, at (323) 881-6178.

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Each Fire Board Deputy

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