



San Diego County Fire Protection District

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AGENDA ITEM

DATE: March 3, 2026

FP02

TO: Board of Directors, San Diego County Fire Protection District

SUBJECT

FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 SECOND QUARTER SAN DIEGO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OPERATIONAL PLAN STATUS REPORT AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS (DISTRICTS: ALL)

OVERVIEW

This item recommends budget adjustment in the San Diego County Fire Protection District as part of the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Second Quarter Operational Plan budget adjustments.

RECOMMENDATION(S)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

1. Increase the San Diego County Fire Protection District (SDCFPD) budget by \$6,000,000 for the purchase of three Type 1 fire engines, two ambulances, one water tender, two patrol vehicles, five pickup trucks and various fire equipment, based on SDCFPD fund balance.
 - Establish appropriations of \$6,000,000 in the SDCFPD, Operating Transfer Out, to support the purchase of three Type 1 fire engines, two ambulances, one water tender, two patrol vehicles, five pickup trucks and various fire equipment, based on SDCFPD fund balance. **(4 VOTES)**
2. Increase the SDCFPD budget by \$2,000,000 to provide funding for completing construction of the San County Diego Fire Training Tower.
 - Establish appropriations of \$2,000,000 in the SDCFPD Fire Mitigation, Operating Transfer Out, to provide additional funding for Capital Project 1026822, San Diego County Fire Training Tower, based on available SDCFPD Fire Mitigation fund balance. **(4 VOTES)**

EQUITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The recommended actions are intended to provide resources to address inequities in County of San Diego (County) services and to identify disparities, develop meaningful outcomes, and create a County government culture of equity, belonging, and racial justice.

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SUSTAINABILITY IMPACT STATEMENT

Today’s actions support the sustainability measures across the County considering the environment, economy, health/wellbeing, and/or social aspects of the community by aligning the County’s available resources with services to maintain fiscal stability and ensure long-term solvency.

FISCAL IMPACT

Funds associated with today’s recommendations are not included in the Fiscal Year 2025-26 Operational Plan in the San Diego County Fire Protection District (SDCFPD). If approved, this action will result in cost of \$6,000,000 for the purchase of three Type 1 fire engines, two ambulances, one water tender, two patrol vehicles, five pickup trucks and various fire equipment and cost of \$2,000,000 to provide funding for completing construction of the San Diego County Fire Training Tower. The funding sources are SDCFPD fund balance and SDCFPD Fire Mitigation fund balance . There will be no change in net General Fund cost and no additional staff years.

BUSINESS IMPACT STATEMENT

N/A

ADVISORY BOARD STATEMENT

N/A

BACKGROUND

Recommendation 1

On July 7, 2020 (01), the County of San Diego Board of Supervisors approved the formation of the San Diego County Fire Protection District (SDCFPD). The SDCFPD provides critical fire protection, emergency medical and response services to residents in our unincorporated communities. To maintain the necessary fire fighter safety and response capabilities, the SDCFPD must purchase necessary equipment and apparatus to provide these life-saving services. If approved, this action will result in costs of \$6,000,000 for the purchase of three Type 1 fire engines, two ambulances, one water tender, two patrol vehicles, five pickup trucks, and various fire equipment. The funding source is SDCFPD fund balance.

Recommendation 2

If approved, this action will establish appropriations of \$2,000,000 in SDCFPD Fire Mitigation to provide additional construction funds for Capital Project 1026822, San Diego County Fire Training Tower.

ENVIRONMENTAL STATEMENT

N/A

LINKAGE TO THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO STRATEGIC PLAN

Today’s proposed actions support the Strategic Initiatives of Sustainability, Equity, Empower, Community and Justice in the County of San Diego’s 2026-2031 Strategic Plan by fully committing to use County resources to meet the highest priority needs of residents.

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Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ebony N. Shelton', written in a cursive style.

EBONY N. SHELTON
Chief Administrative Officer

ATTACHMENT(S)
N/A