




# CRYSTAL PARK VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT MAY 2008 UPDATE

1. Five volunteers have successfully completed training as Emergency Medical System (EMS) First Responders and we have one additional that will be taking the final state test in the next 30-days. The First Responder capability is two years ahead of when we planned to have EMS capability!! We once again have added several more members to the Department in the last month. We have also added the CPVFD Auxiliary to our training where they are doing a fantastic job in providing traffic control. This is one of the primary mission tasks of the Auxiliary. Below represents the capabilities we currently have and the skills sets are maturing with each passing month. In addition, the apparatus Engineer/Drivers/FFs continue to train on Engine 910, Tender 960 and most recently Brush 940.

 CPVFD Capabilities Roster	BASIC FF COURSE	FF 1	WILDLAND S130/190	RED CARDS	Wildland Urban Interface S215	HIGH ANGLE RESCUE	HAZMAT OPS	NIMS CERTS (100,200,700)	CPR	1ST RESPONDER	EMT-B
<b>Firefighters</b>											
CHIEF JOHN HENNESSEY	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
DEPUTY CHIEF PAUL WELSCH	✓		✓	✓	✓			✓	✓		
FF SEAN COLLINS	✓		✓	✓				✓	✓	Wilderness Only	
FF DAVE GREENHALGH	✓		✓	✓				✓	✓		
FF STEVE LEANDER	✓		✓	✓				✓	✓	✓	
FF VALARIE DAY	✓							✓			
FF ERIC JULIAN			✓	✓				✓			
FF JIM MESIROW			✓	✓				✓			
FF PHIL DAY	✓							✓			
FF ADAM SAND			✓	✓				✓	✓		
FF CHARLES DAVIS	✓		✓	✓				✓	✓		
<b>Associate Volunteers</b>											
ENG MIKE DOUGHTY								✓			
ENG JIM TERBUSH								✓			
ENG FLOYD O'NIEL									✓	✓	
ENG CHUCK LAVEZZI											
ENG DICK O'BRIEN								✓			
<b>1st Responders (EMS)</b>											
Jacque Julian									✓	✓	
Collin Powell									✓	✓	
Susi Hennessey									✓	✓	
<b>AUXILIARY</b>											
MICHELE ANGELO JOAN POWERS CAPRICE TEMPLE DOUGHTY ANN CAMPBELL JONI SEXAUER LEIGH TERBUSH BARBARA LANDGRAF KERI MESIROW JACQUE JULIAN BETH ENNIS DIANA UNRUH	<b>AUXILIARY TRAINING WILL FOCUS ON TRAFFIC CONTROL AND EVACUATION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION</b>										

2. Incidents: The only incident to report in the Park this last month was a smoke investigation. The CPVFD responded down Palmer Trail and the incident was declared unfounded.

3. Grants: We continue to wait for word regarding the two grants we submitted to FEMA. The first grant for \$70,606 is for FF personal protective gear such as bunker gear and self-contained breathing apparatus. The second grant valued at \$69,080 is for a Type 6 (F550) brush truck for mounting out skid onto along with other gear. Each of the grants has a 5% match and we are assuming we still have the commitment from the boards to help with this. We are also looking at an additional grant that is strictly for wildland fire support. The cost share of this grant is 50% and we are investigating how we can leverage the grant for communications equipment only.

4. New Fire Truck Training: Training continues and on 17 May we conducted 4 hours of intense engine, water tender, traffic control, and high angle rescue training. The volunteers will be scene training throughout the summer months with some training unannounced to enhance the realism of the training in a mission relevant environment.

5. ISO Rating Update: we have a meeting scheduled with the ISO investigator on 5 June. We currently have an ISO Rating of Class 10. The immediate target is for a rating of Class 9 now that we have Engine 910. Once we have the Dry Hydrant installed in the next few weeks, a Class 8 rating is next on the target list. The work the volunteers are doing will result in a reduction in homeowner's insurance costs once the CPVFD is recognized by the ISO investigator. This is 3-years ahead of schedule.

6. Colorado Spring Fire Visit: CSFD, MSFD and CPVFD all conducted an "eyes-on" review of Crystal Park. They took a look at our Evacuation Plan and made a few recommendations. All were very impressed with what the Department has accomplished and what our capabilities are. We will continue to build solid relationships with potential mutual aid departments in the local area.

7. MSFD Awards Banquet: The CPVFD Fire Chief attended the MSFD Awards banquet. CPVFD was lauded by MSFD Fire Chief Keith Buckmiller for its accomplishments.

8. The website has been completely overhauled by the CPVFD Auxiliary (Joan Powers). It has many useful features for the residents so please check it out at: [www.crystalparkvfd.org](http://www.crystalparkvfd.org)

9. Brush 940 continues in an Out-Of-Service status; the F450 remains configured as a sand/plow truck. We expect to have Brush 940 in service in the next couple weeks. *CAUTION: Crystal Park does not have initial attack wildfire apparatus capability; FFs will await arrival of other resources from area fire departments.*