



Fire Services Project

Fire Agency Stabilization and Consolidation

July 20, 2021

Budget Hearing Actions

Fire Services Project Appropriations and Direction to Staff

Goal – Efficient, Effective, Sustainable Fire Services

1. Up to \$2,000,000 – Bodega Bay Stabilization thru FY 2023
2. Allocate \$1.5 million of ongoing towards fire agency consolidation efforts
3. Return with implementation plan and necessary actions



Fire Agency Partnerships

CSA 40 Partnerships

- North Bay Fire
- Gold Ridge
- Northern Sonoma County Fire
- Sonoma County Fire

District Stabilization

- Bodega Bay
- Kenwood



Fire Services Project Background



FSAC/FSWG Funding Recommendations

Countywide District Support

- \$1.2 million Red Flag Upstaffing Program
- \$900,000 annually for REDCOM Dispatch Fees
- \$800,000 Recruitment & Retention Program
- \$500,000 Assistance By Hire Program
- \$100,000 annually Lexipole Standards Procedures



SLG/FSWG Policy Recommendations

1. Consolidate CSA 40 Territory
2. Incentivize Key Consolidations
3. Pursue New Sales Tax



Past Key Board Actions

- Dissolved FES – FSWG CSA 40 Plan
- \$1.6 Million ongoing for Sonoma County Fire
- \$2.2 Million annually for Enhanced Services
- \$158,000 ongoing for Sonoma Valley Fire
- Measure G on the March 2020 Ballot



Fire Services Project Recommended Actions



FY 21-22 Fire Services Project Funding

- Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT)- \$900,000
- Measure L TOT - \$1.6 million
- Prop 172 - \$4 million
- Budget Hearings - \$3.5 million
- CSA 40 Prop. Taxes - \$2.3 million



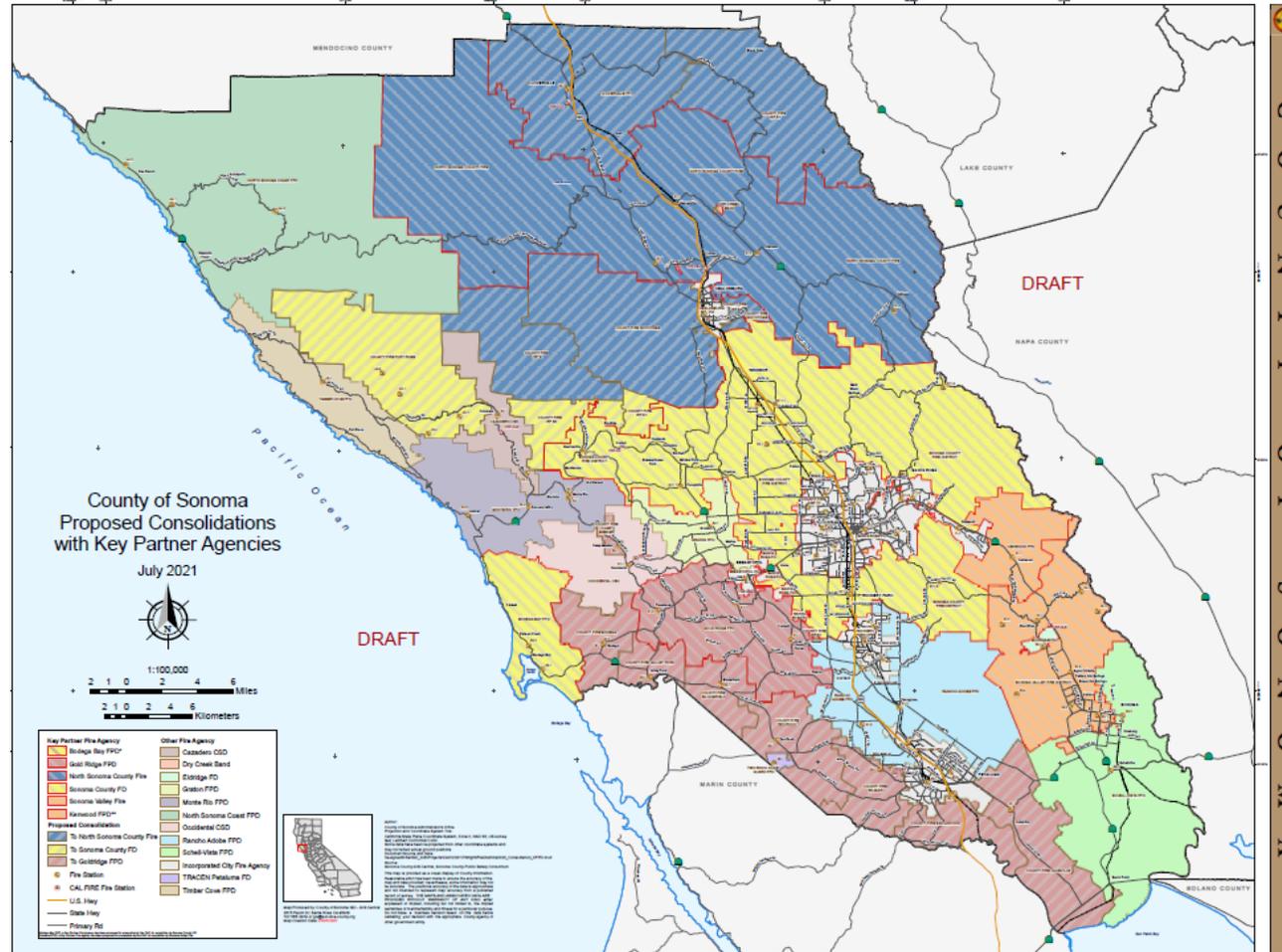
Bodega Bay Stabilization Funding

Board Authorization - \$2 million

- Up to \$1 million for two years to support entering into JPA with Sonoma County Fire
- Balanced Budget Stabilization if JPA is not attainable



Key Fire Agency Consolidations



Negotiate Preliminary Agreements

- Gold Ridge and CSA 40
- Northern Sonoma County and CSA 40
- Sonoma County Fire and CSA 40
- Bodega Bay and Sonoma County Fire
- Kenwood stabilization



Agency Funding Authorized

Preliminary Agreement Agency	Amount
Gold Ridge and CSA 40	\$2.9 million
North. Sonoma County Fire and CSA 40	\$1.2 million
Sonoma County Fire and CSA 40	\$569,000
Bodega Bay and/or Sonoma County Fire*	\$3 million
Kenwood	\$180,000
<i>* In addition to \$2 million for stabilization</i>	



Next Steps

- Execute agreement with Bodega Bay for Stabilization
- Agency intent to participate in holistic effort
- ACTTC and County Counsel coordination
- Begin negotiations of preliminary agreements



New Sales Tax Actions

- Coordinate with FSWG on new sales tax outreach and funding plan
- Obtain consultant(s) to assist with education and outreach and polling need

