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To: Honorable LOCSO Board of Directors

From: Josh Lorenzo, Battalion Chief

Subject: **Agenda Item 2A – December 4, 2025 Board Meeting**
District /CAL FIRE Chief Report for November 2025

EMERGENCY ACTIVITY

1. Station 15 - South Bay responded to 68 calls from November 1 – November 18, 2025, with 17 back-to-back calls. This included 48 Medical Aids, 2 Traffic Collisions, 1 Surf Rescue, 8 Public Assists, 4 Hazardous, and 5 Fire False Alarms.

ADMINISTRATION

2. Station 15 – South Bay is currently accepting Reserve Firefighter applications. The deadline to apply is December 19, 2025, with the Physical Agility Test and Oral interviews scheduled to be held on January 4, 2026. Applications may be picked up and turned in at 2315 Bayview Heights Drive Los Osos, CA 93402. The application packet may also be found online at <https://www.losososcso.org/hiring-reserve-firefighters>.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS/PROJECTS

1. On November 11, 2025, Station 15 – South Bay attended the Veteran's Day service at Los Osos Valley Memorial Park to show appreciation for veterans and their families.
2. During the month of September, Station 15 – South Bay collected quotes to replace the rear garage door. After several service and maintenance calls it was determined that the garage door and motor needed to be replaced. The replacement was completed on November 13, 2025.
3. From now until December 12, 2025, Station 15 – South Bay is collecting food and toy donations, on behalf of the 14th annual 'Season of Hope' Food and Toy Drive. There is also a QR code at the fire station that the public can scan and donate electronically, if they wish to do so.
4. Starting in late October, through June 2026, prescribed burns may occur in Hearst San Simeon, Estero Bluffs, Morro Bay, and Montaña de Oro state parks, dependent on available fire resources, weather, and air quality conditions. Expect some roads, facilities, or trails near the burn areas to be closed and smoke may be seen from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on the day of the burns. These burns are part of California State Parks' prescribed fire program for vegetation management, hazardous fuel load reduction, wildlife habitat improvement, and other ecological benefits.
5. CAL FIRE – San Luis Obispo Unit has been approached by San Luis Obispo County Parks to assist in vegetation management and habitat enhancement at the Los Osos Monarch Grove Preserve. The goal will be to reduce community wildfire risk, improve forest health, and support the monarch butterfly populations by improving/restoring the habitat. Work began on November 5, 2025 and will continue through the end of the year for approximately 10 days, weather permitting. Treatment work will prioritize dead, downed, and

diseased vegetation material removal, eucalyptus tree limbing up to 10 feet, and eucalyptus sapling removal, within a 100-foot buffer from residence properties along Inyo St., Butterfly Ln., and Fresno St.

Respectfully Submitted,

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