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**To:** Honorable LOCSO Board of Directors

**From:** Josh Lorenzo, Battalion Chief

**Subject:** **Agenda Item 6A – April 2, 2026 Board Meeting**  
District /CAL FIRE Chief Report for March 2026

**EMERGENCY ACTIVITY**

1. Station 15 - South Bay responded to 96 calls from March 1 – March 23, 2026. This included 73 Medical Aids – with 4 Traffic Collisions and 1 Traffic Collision with Extrication, 9 Public Assists, 2 Hazardous, 1 Fire - Commercial Alarm, 1 Fire - Debris, 1 Fire – Residential, 1 Fire – Vehicle, 1 Fire – Wildland, and 7 Fire False Alarms.

**ADMINISTRATION**

1. The 10 prospective Station 15 – South Bay Reserve Firefighter candidates continued completing steps needed to become employees of the LOCSO. In March, all candidates successfully completed their required shadow shifts and were released to full duty as a Company 15 Reserve Firefighter.
2. Reserve Firefighter Parker Burt was recognized for his exemplary service at the Firefighters Recognition Dinner, hosted by the SLO Masons on March 17, 2026. Parker has been a dedicated member of Company 15 for 10 years. We truly appreciate his commitment and contributions to the community!
3. Reserve Firefighter Dalen Righetti resigned after 10 months of service to the community of Los Osos at Station 15 – South Bay to accept a position with Anaheim Fire Department. We thank him for his time and wish him all the best in his new position!
4. Staff began the budget preparation process for fiscal year 2026-2027. Time has been spent ensuring accuracy and accounting for known and projected expenditures to provide a solid foundation for next fiscal year.

**SPECIAL PROGRAMS/PROJECTS**

1. Station 15 – South Bay participated in battalion-wide training with Cambria - Station 10 and Estero Bay - Station 16 on Auto Extrication, to reinforce and enhance response capabilities. This training focused on improving crew cohesion, updating techniques, and practicing with new equipment in real-world scenarios. Through continuous training, personnel are able to increase on-scene proficiency, apply and adapt skills, and maintain a high-level of service to the community.

2. On March 14, 2026, 8,805 feet of fire hose at Station 15 – South Bay received annual testing and maintenance, which included service pressure testing, inspecting for defects, lubricating couplings and connection points, etc. to ensure that all hose are in proper condition. 150 feet did not pass and was removed from service.
3. On March 21, 2026, Station 15 met with the residents of Daisy Hill Estates to provide information about emergency preparedness within their community and answer any questions from attendees.
4. On April 6, 2026, Station 15 staff will begin conducting first round annual fire hazard abatement inspections. Properties that do not pass initial inspection will receive a notice by mail with details regarding abatement standards and deadlines for reinspection.

Respectfully Submitted,

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