



City of Merced Fire Department

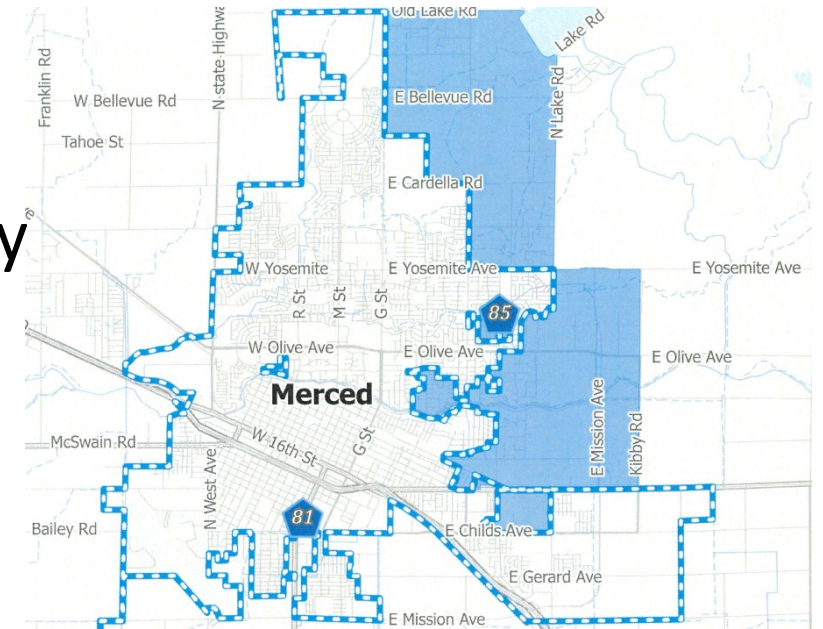
Casey Wilson, Interim Fire Chief

City of Merced – Merced County Fire and EMS Aid Agreements 6-Month Update



McKee Fire Station Closure

- Merced County closed Fire Station 85 to consolidate staffing and meet the states mandated requirement of 2 personnel per apparatus effective 1/1/2025
- Merced County Fire staff requested our assistance in providing fire coverage to County jurisdiction generally located North of Hwy 140, West of Kibby Road, West of N. Lake Road, and East of G Street via automatic aid agreement





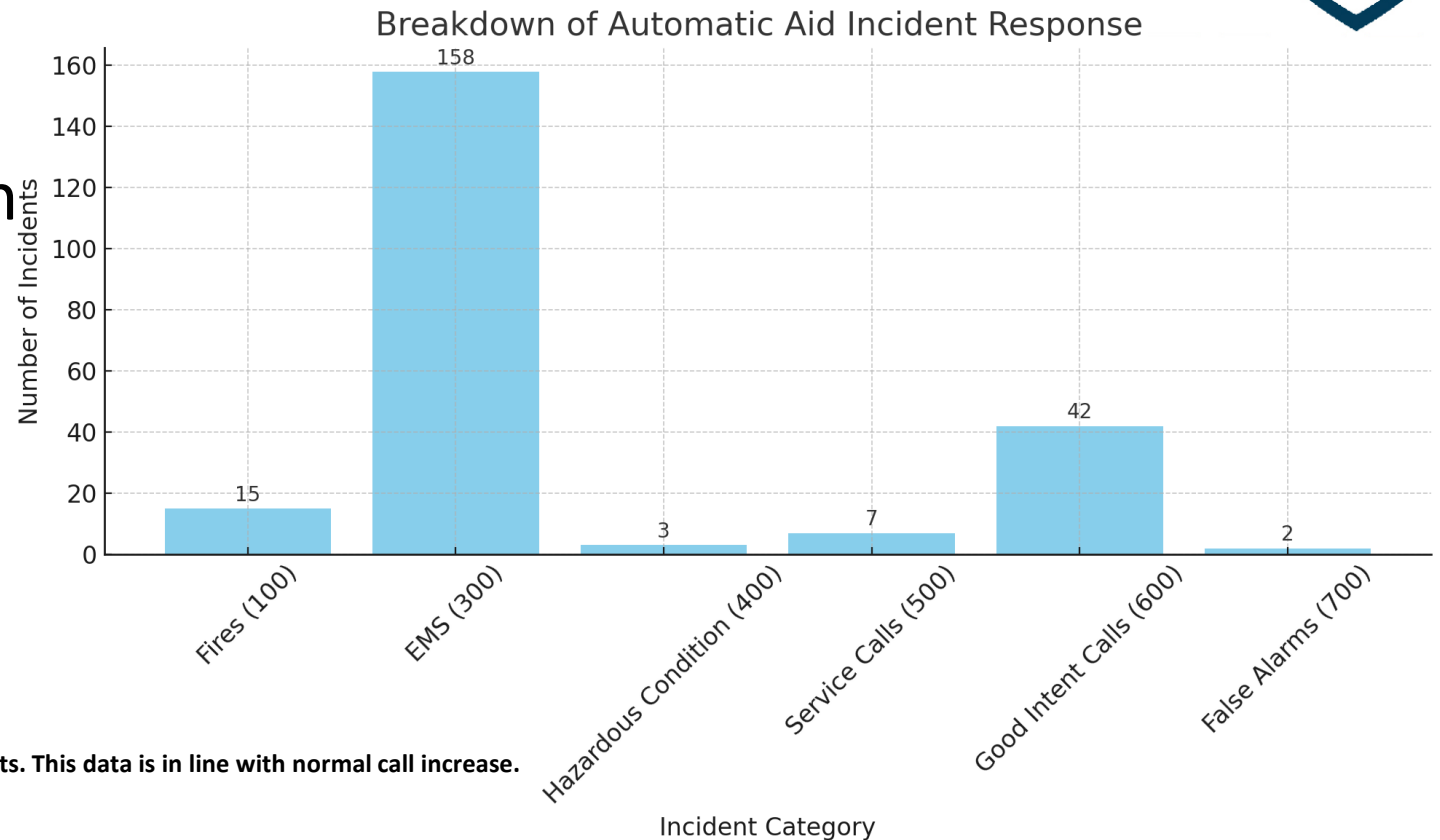
Fire and EMS – Automatic Aid

- Agreement approved December 9, 2024
- Direction to return with update in 6 months
- Two Year Agreement – January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2026
- Generally, follows the timing of the 2023 SAFER Grant
- Efforts to improve CAD to CAD communications
- Year 1 - \$315,384 with 4% increase in year 2

Fire and EMS – Automatic Aid Incident Response Data



- 15 – Fires
- 158 – EMS Incidents
- 3 – Hazardous Condition
- 7 – Service Calls
- 42 – Good Intent Calls
- 2 – False Alarms
- **227 – Total Incidents**

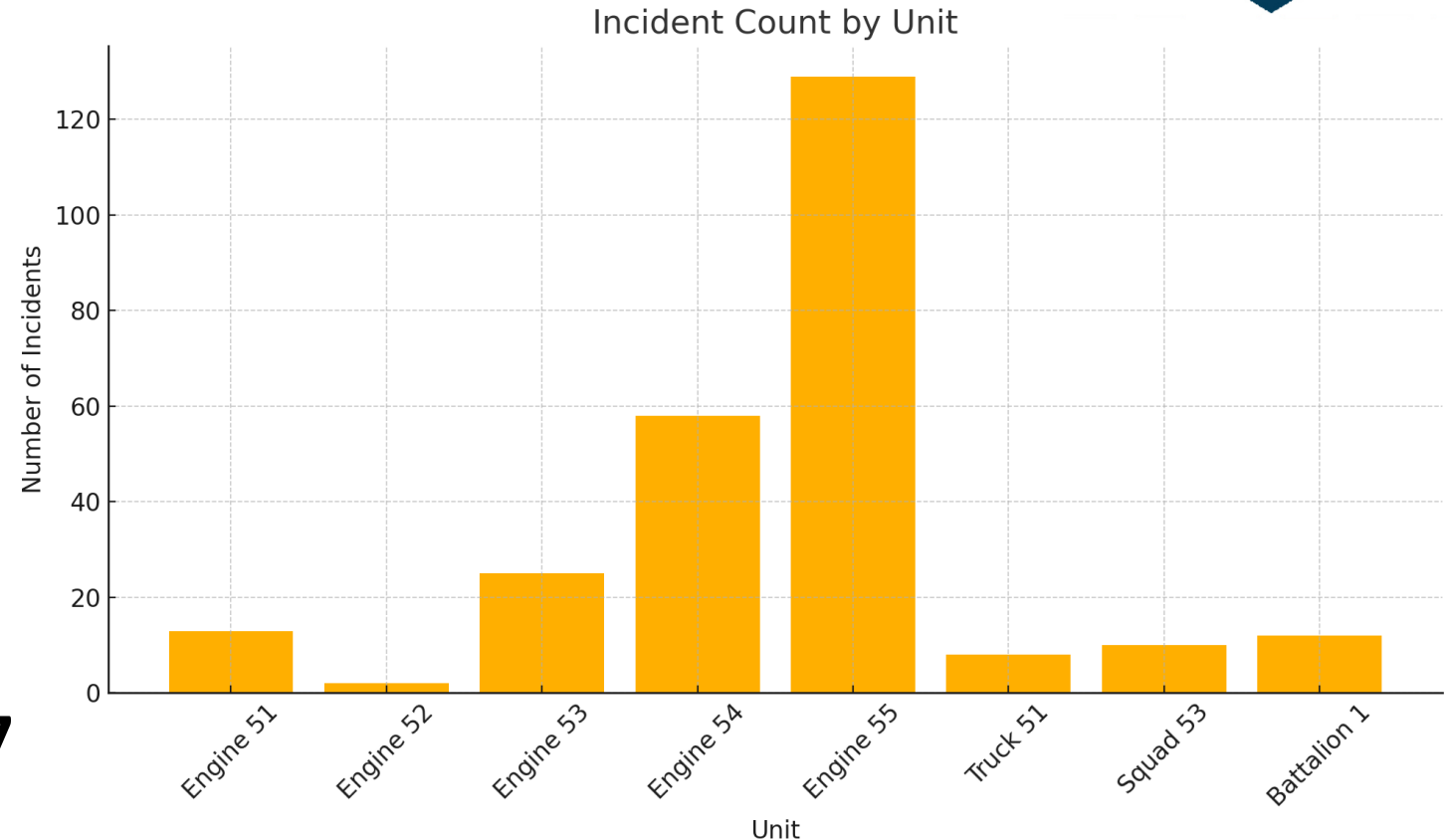


*2023 data indicated 417 incidents for the automatic aid area Incidents. This data is in line with normal call increase.

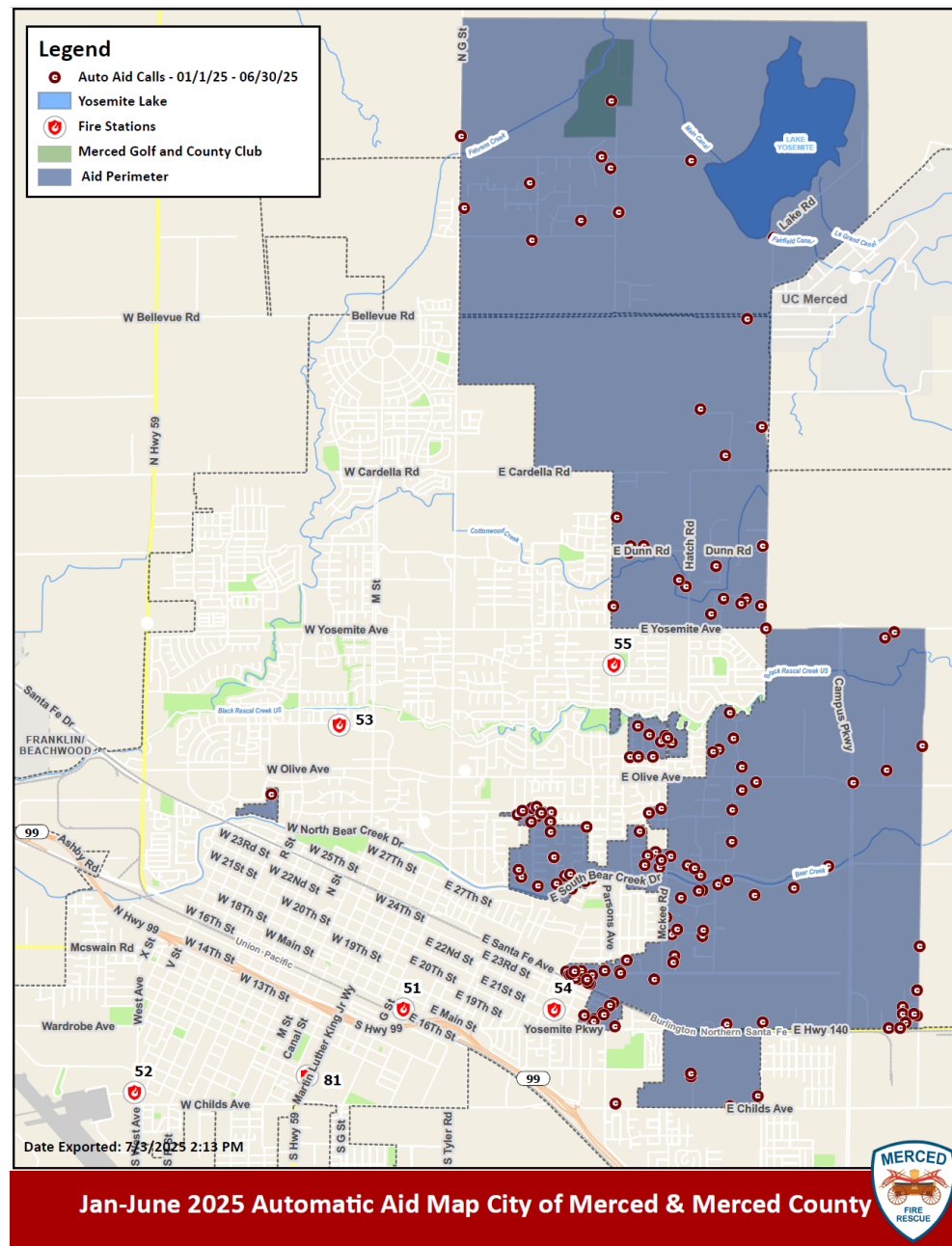
Fire and EMS – Automatic Aid Incident Response Unit Response Data



- Engine 51 - 13
- Engine 52 – 2
- Engine 53 – 25
- Engine 54 – 58
- Engine 55 – 129
- Truck 51 – 8
- Squad 53 – 10
- Battalion 1 – 12
- **Total Unit Responses - 257**



Automatic Aid Incident Response Data Map



Fire and EMS – Automatic Aid Incident Time on Task



Metric	Value
Average Incidents Per Day	1.25
Unit Time on Task	63 hours
Total Personnel Time on Task	320 hours
Average Time Per Incident	17 minutes

Automatic Aid Success Story

- May 23, 2025
- Auto-aid STRF
- 2900 Blk Chestnut Ave
- BC1, E53, E55, TR51
- Two RV's on fire with 2 homes threatened
- E81 diverted
- 30 min to 1 hour commit time



Ongoing Automatic Aid Conversations



- Merced County Fire staff continue to express interest in a reciprocal agreement.
- CAD to CAD quotes have come back at an estimated \$275K plus minimal annual maintenance cost.
- Exploring other solutions that may be more cost effective with more favorable timelines. (Tablet Command)



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Questions?