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"Public and Private Partners Working Together to Protect People, Homes, and Natural Resources"

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.El Dorado Irrigation District Jim Abercrombie, General Manager 2890 Mosquito Road Placerville, CA 95667

Mr. Abercrombie,

The El Dorado County Fire Safe Council recognizes and appreciates the attention and effort that EID is currently applying to fire hydrant maintenance in the Logtown area. Availability of a dependable water supply is key in fire suppression operations and hydrants are a key resource.

The residents of Logtown have noticed the shiny red hydrants and there have been many positive comments. The hydrant maintenance has not always been as excellent as it is currently. In 2008 the residents noticed many hydrants that were damaged or missing parts. After receiving permission from EID and training from Diamond Springs Fire, a crew of local volunteers inspected, tested, serviced and painted over 100 hydrants in the Logtown area. The areas surrounding the hydrants were cleared of weeds and sprayed with herbicide. Hydrants needing repair were identified and a report was provided to EID. Your crews promptly made the repairs.

We understand new regulations make the volunteer effort impractical and we appreciate your emphasis on hydrant maintenance. Our residents will continue to do their part in keeping hydrant areas clear of brush and weeds. We anticipate you will expand this program to all communities in your service area. Working together we can help keep the community safe.

Thank you for your support of the El Dorado County Fire Safe Council. We look forward to continuing to work with you in the future to accomplish our common goals.

Roger Dwyer Chairperson El Dorado County Fire Safe Council