

Madera County Public Safety Sales Tax Measure

Did you know that current fire and sheriff services in the unincorporated areas of Madera County are the same as they were in the 1920'S? *Planned services of the Madera County Public Safety Sales Tax Measure, if passed, would include:*

Planned Services	Current	Year 1	Year2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7 through Year 20
Bass Lake Fire Station	Limited Volunteer Staffing	Purchase new fire engine and provide 2 full-time firefighters with 24/7 coverage.	2 full-time firefighters with 24/7 coverage services established for the Bass Lake Fire Station Year 1 are MAINTAINED for the lifetime of the Measure. The purchase of a new fire engine for the Bass Lake Fire Station is a one-time purchase.					
North Fork Fire Station	Limited Volunteer Staffing	Limited Volunteer Staffing	Purchase new fire engine and provide 2 full-time firefighters with 24/7 coverage.	2 full-time firefighters with 24/7 coverage services established for the North Fork Fire Station Year 2 are MAINTAINED for the lifetime of the Measure. The purchase of a new fire engine for the North Fork Fire Station is a one-time purchase.				
Chowchilla/Fairmead Fire Station (Proposed Relocation)	Limited Volunteer Staffing	Limited Volunteer Staffing	Limited Volunteer Staffing	Purchase new fire engine and provide 2 full-time firefighters with 24/7 coverage.	2 full-time firefighters with 24/7 coverage services established for the Chowchilla/Fairmead Fire Station Year 3 are MAINTAINED for the lifetime of the Measure. The purchase of a new fire engine for the Chowchilla/Fairmead Fire Station is a one-time purchase.			
New Fire Personnel at Existing Fire Stations	1 full-time firefighter providing 24/7 coverage	Increase staffing to provide for 2 full-time firefighters with 24/7 coverage at three existing fire stations in Year 1 and MAINTAINED in Year 2		Increase staffing to provide for 2 full-time firefighters with 24/7 coverage at four existing stations in Year 3 and MAINTAINED through Year 5.		Increase staffing to provide for 2 full-time firefighters with 24/7 coverage at five existing stations in Year 6 and MAINTAINED for the lifetime of the Measure.		
Paid Call Firefighters (PCF)	PCFs are not reimbursed for training, gear or medical call costs	Services for Paid Call Firefighters established Year1 will be MAINTAINED for the lifetime of the Measure. Services will include training, protective gear and medial call reimbursement.						
Sheriff's Office Deputies	80 Deputy Sheriff Personnel	Hire 7 new Deputies.	Hire 1 new Deputy for a total of 8.	MAINTAIN services established in Years 1 and 2 in Years 3 through 5.			Hire 1 new Deputy for a total of 9.	MAINTAIN 9 Deputies for the lifetime of the Measure.

The proposed Madera County Safety Sales Tax Measure would provide a stable source of locally controlled funding to fund new services dedicated to keeping Madera County's rural communities and residents safe. The goal of the Measure is to enhance public safety for the unincorporated areas of the County through a one-cent use tax collected for 20-years. The proposed Measure would generate approximately \$8 million per year (annual average over the lifetime of the Measure). The proposed sales tax cannot be used to supplant existing funding for fire and sheriff services.

Fire Department Benefits

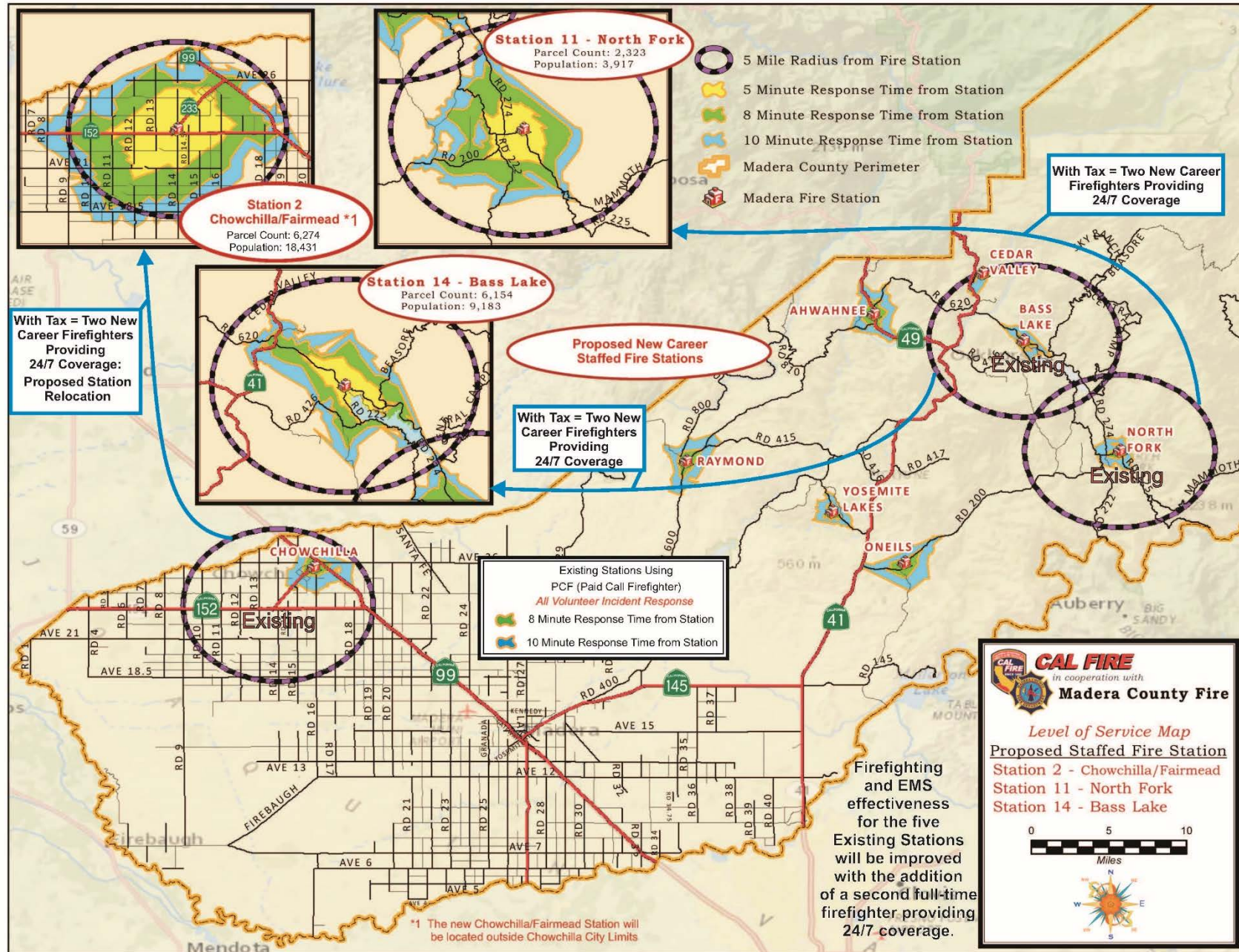
- ▶ Add three new fire engines and staffing to three new fire stations
- ▶ Increased staffing levels at five existing fire stations
- ▶ Improved response times
- ▶ Paid Call Firefighters medical call reimbursement, training, and protective gear
- ▶ Residents could potentially see a reduction in homeowner policy premiums

Sheriff's Office

- ▶ Increased staffing levels
- ▶ Improved response times
- ▶ Reduced crime rates



Measure Benefits Include Improved Fire Department Response Times



For more information, visit

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