



MONUMENT FIRE DISTRICT

Monthly Activity Report – February 2025

Submitted by Fire Chief Andy Kovacs

Serving with Character, Connection, and Commitment



Chief's Remarks

- On February 3rd, Chief Bumgarner and I attended the Town of Monument city council meeting for the approval of the Fire Station 3 plat.
- On February 4th, Chief Bumgarner and I met with Woodmoor Water District to discuss the Fire Station 3 property.
- On February 10th, Chief Bradley and I met with the TOM and the grant writers to view the Monument Lake mitigation project.
- On February 10th, I met with Madeline VanDenHoek, TOM's interim city manager, to discuss how the town and the fire district could partner on projects and initiatives.
- On February 11th, I delivered our monthly "Leadership Lessons" to the district.
- On February 12th, Chief Coyle, Branden, and I presented a chief's coin to recognize an El Paso County Dispatcher for a cardiac arrest save incident.
- On February 12th, I met with Dan Peterson to provide information about our fire district for his needs assessment of Black Forest Fire Rescue.
- On February 13th, Chief Bradley, Branden, and I attended the CSFC's Critical Issues Briefing and legislative reception in Denver.
- On February 22nd, Chief Bradley and I attended the paramedic graduation of Firefighters Lindsey and Dore.
- I continue to attend the following local, regional, and national-level meetings:
 - Fire Station 2 OAC
 - Fire Station 3 OAC
 - Training Center team meeting
 - North El Paso County Fire Chiefs
 - Pikes Peak Region Wildfire Preparedness
 - Pikes Peak Mutual Aid
 - Pikes Peak Fire Chiefs Council
 - MFD/Monument Police Department Command Staff
 - Colorado State Fire Chief's Town Hall & Legislative
 - Labor/Management Meeting with Local 4319
 - Rocky Mountain Accreditation Consortium – co-chair
 - International Association of Fire Chiefs Missouri Valley Division – 1st Vice-President



Quick Facts - February

Number of Fire Incidents	Number of EMS Incidents	Training Hours Completed	Fire Inspections Completed
1	231	834	67
Major Incidents, Projects, and Events			
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Accreditation documentation was completed and submitted to the peer team for review on 2/28.Colorado State Fire Chief's Critical Issues Briefing and legislative reception in Denver.Paramedic graduation for Firefighter's Lindsey and Dore.On 2/15, a localized ice storm produced 30 + calls for service in and out of the district.			

Administration – Jennifer Martin

Upcoming Events & Notable Items:

- The district has begun the 2024 formal audit process, which will be completed in May 2025.
- The EMS Supplement was completed and submitted to Medicaid.
- March 27th FPPA scheduled to meet with staff.

Promotions/Change of Assignments:

- Firefighters Lindsey and Dore were promoted to Firefighter/Paramedic.

Hiring/Resignations/Leave of Absence:

- Nothing to report.

Local 4319:

- Nothing to report.



Operations – Fire Chief Andy Kovacs/Battalion Chief Janaka Branden

Summary of Significant Events:

February:

- On 2/5, I attended an MPD/MFD command staff meeting.
- Attended annual paramedic refresher.
- On 2/11, I attended Chief Kovacs 'Leadership Lessons' training.
- On 2/12, Chief Kovacs, BC Coyle, and I went to EPSO dispatch to recognize a dispatcher with a Chief's Coin for a cardiac arrest save.
- On 2/13, Chief Kovacs, Chief Bradley, and I attended the Colorado State Fire Chief's Critical Issues briefing in Denver.
- On 2/24, I Attended the Pikes Peak Fire Chiefs Council meeting.
- The engineer promotional process has started to establish a promotional list for 2025-2026. The testing is scheduled for 5/12, 5/13, and 5/14.
- Planning the lieutenant process to establish a promotional list for 2025-2026, with 8/11, 8/12, and 8/13 testing dates.

Operations:

A Shift – Battalion Chief Pearson

- Nothing to report.

B Shift – Battalion Chief Coyle

- On 2/11, crews attended the Chief's Leadership Lesson on emotional intelligence.
- On 2/12, crews provided a Chief's Coin to an El Paso County Dispatcher for a job well done during a recent call.
- On 2/12, crews responded to a structure fire at McDonald's. Crews found smoke in the building from a grease fire. No damage had occurred, and crews assisted with ventilating the structure.
- On 2/18, Station 4 hosted a ride-along.
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- On 2/23, crews responded to an Ice Rescue at Monument Lake. The party was self-rescued before arrival.

C Shift – Battalion Chief Mola

- On 2/4, personnel hosted the local Cub Scout Troops.
- On 2/10, MFD hosted a drone demonstration for Fort Carson's chief officers.
- On 2/15, an ice storm produced 30 + calls for service.
- On 2/22, Station 1 hosted a boy scout's merit badge achievement.
- On 2/27, Station 4 hosted a local preschool field trip.
- On 2/27, Station 5 participated in a HOA wildfire mitigation discussion.
- On 2/28, MFD responded to assist the Monument Police Department with the shooting at King Soopers.
- ON 2/28, Station 5 hosted a station tour.



Training & EMS – Battalion Chief Balvanz

Summary of Training & EMS Events:

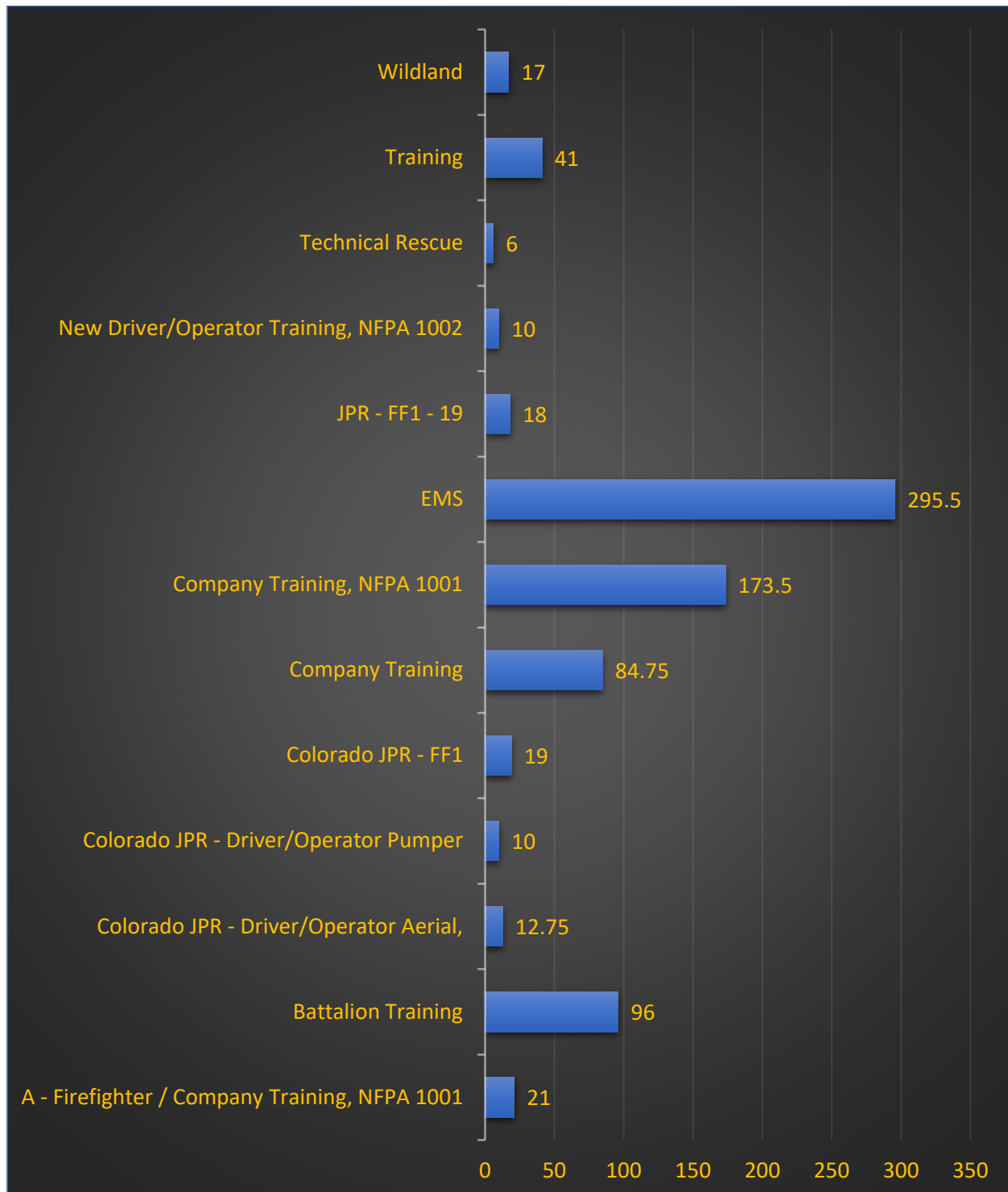
- EMS refresher.
- EMT PEPP training.
- Traffic Incident Management (TIMS) training with CDOT.
- 2025 wildland refresher.
- Ice rescue class.
- Acquired structure training in Black Forest.
- ACLS training.

Training Plan for March:

- EMS - Trauma.
- Fire - Search and Ladders.
- Hazmat - Incident Priorities.
- Hosting Fire Instructor I Class.

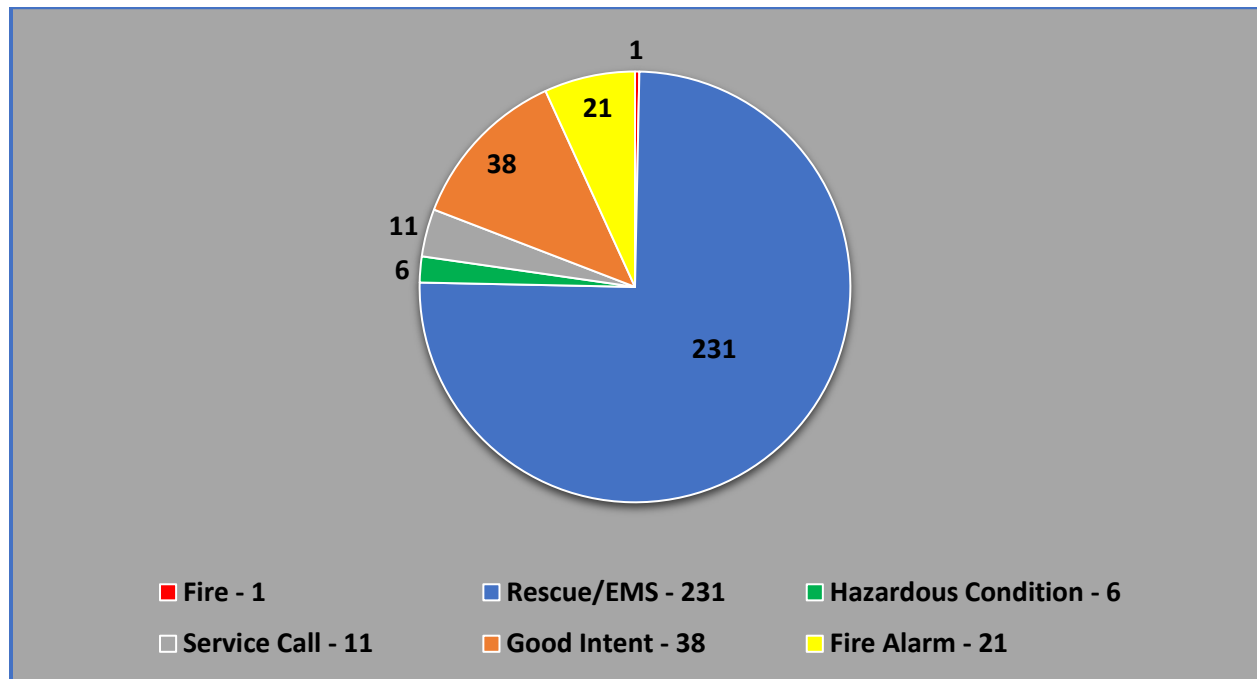


Training hours for February – 835 Training Hours.





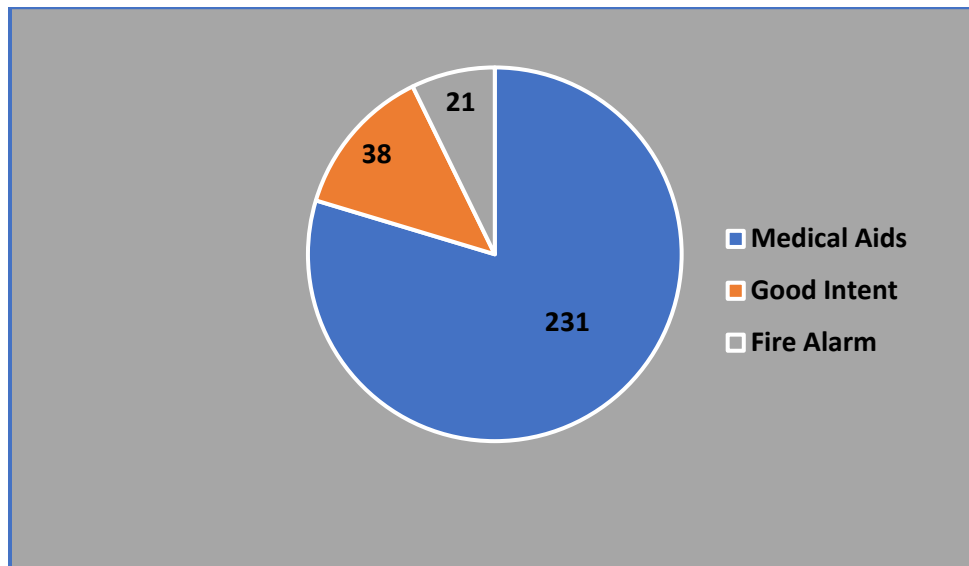
Incidents by Call Type – February



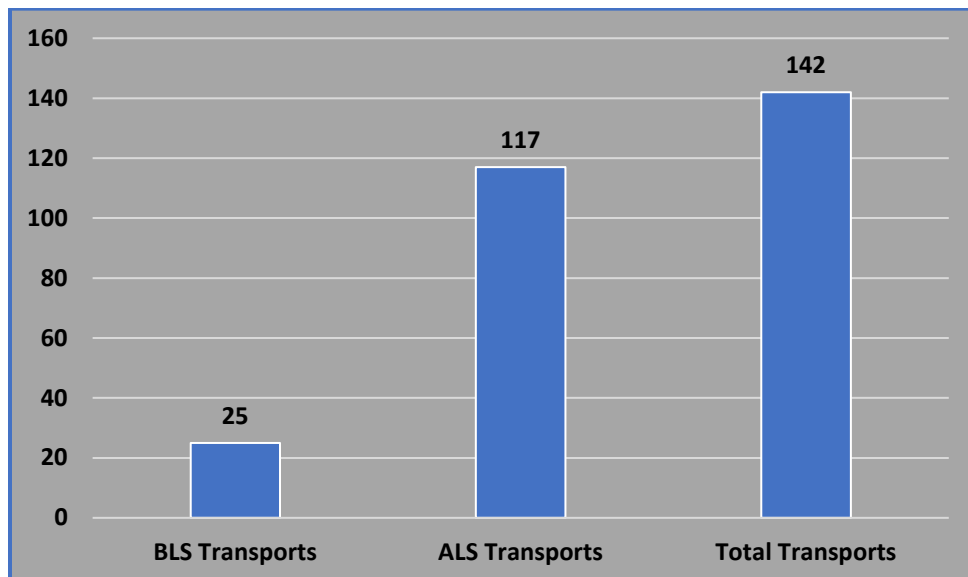
- Fire calls include structure fires, outside fires, and others.
- Hazardous conditions include spills/leaks, chemical release, electric wiring/equipment problems.
- Public assistance includes a person in distress or assistance required (e.g., lift assist).
- Good intent includes canceled enroute, no emergency fund, and controlled burn.
- Fire alarms include false alarms, system malfunctions, and unintentional system activation.



Incidents – Top 3 Response Categories – February

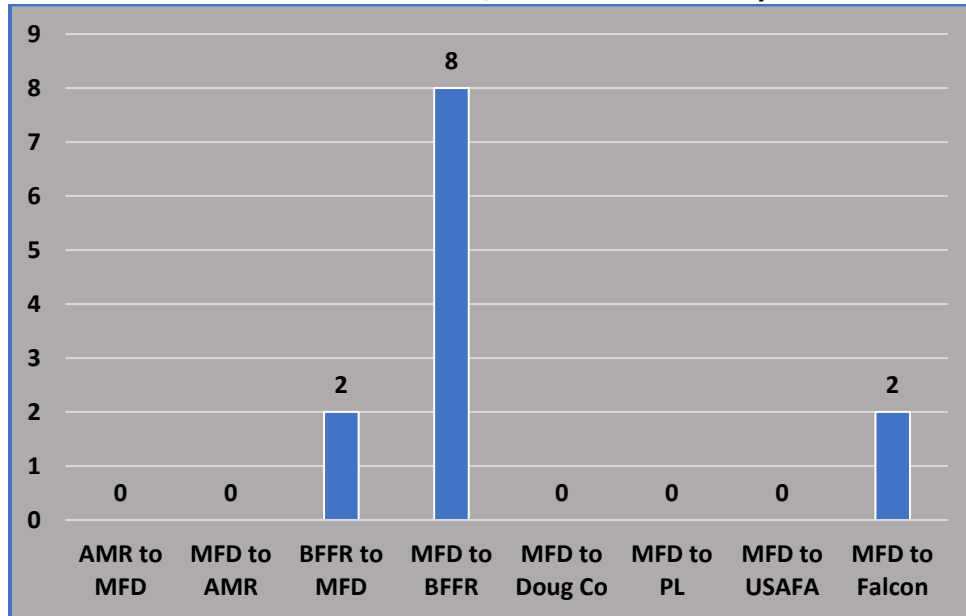


Ambulance Transports – February



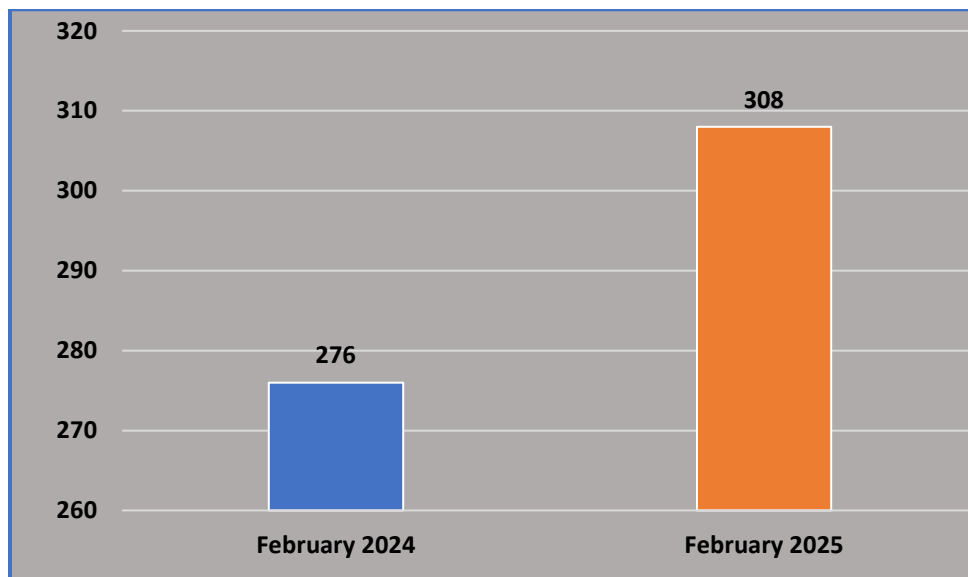


Ambulance Automatic/Mutual Aid – February



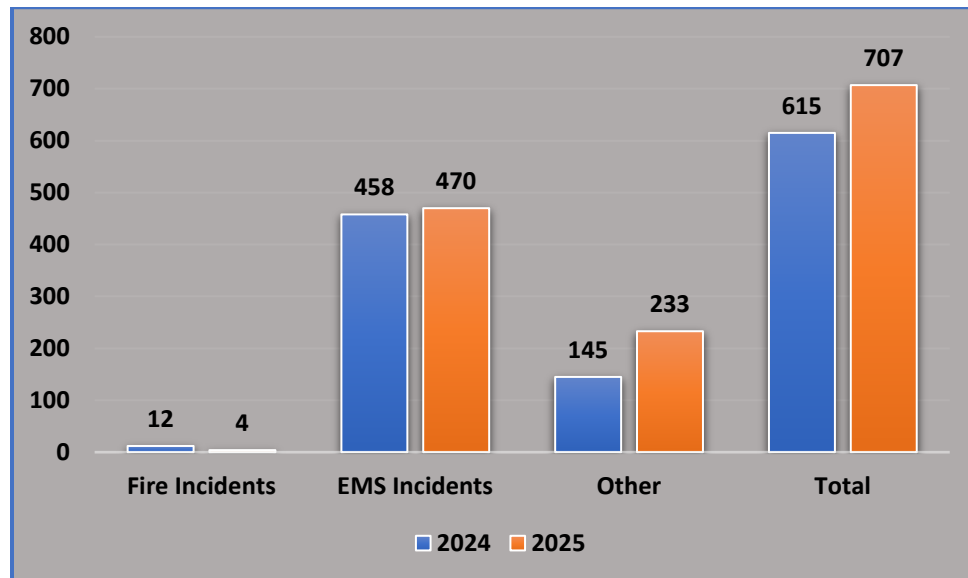
Calls are dispatched and enroute, and do not consider cancellations.
MFD to AMR – 0 calls accepted.

Month-to-Month Comparison – Total Incidents –2024/2025 February





Year-To-Date Comparison – 2024/2025 – February



Administration – Division Chief Jamey Bumgarner

Summary of Significant Events:

- Implemented the plan to place the new tower ladder in service.
- Attended the weekly OAC meetings for the remodel of Fire Station 2.

Administrative Services:

- We continued to work on several projects, including Station 3, the Training Center, the purchase of Station 6 Land, and the Mitchell Ave project.
- Reviewed the apparatus delivery schedules for 2025.

Fleet and Facilities – Lieutenant Curt Leonhardt

- Prepared the UTV for spring storm operations by installing the snow tracks.
- The rear leaf springs were replaced on Engine 513 on both sides, repairs were made to the Jacobs Brake, and a PM was performed.
- Assisted with snow plowing operations as needed.

Accreditation- Chief Ridings

- Collaborating with the peer team to update the self-assessment manual in preparation for the site visit in May.
- Peer team district visit scheduled for May 11th-15th.
- Planning to go before the CPSE commission this August in Denver.



Community Risk Reduction – Division Chief Jonathan Bradley

Summary of Significant Events:

- Completed the Monument Lake Trail wildfire mitigation project.
- Attended fire marshal's association membership meeting.
- Finalized the scope of work and contract with Monument Lake mitigation project contractor.
- Participated in the new hire interview process for the El Paso County Planning Department Code Review/Project Manager position.
- Attended the Colorado State Fire Chief's Critical Issues Briefing and legislative reception.
- Attended the Town of Monument Board of Adjustments hearing for a planning and zoning appeal.

Public Education / Community Outreach:

- Attended the Fire Adapted Colorado monthly network call.
- Met with Woodmoor Improvement Association board members to discuss wildfire safety education.
- Participated in a fire service innovation interview for a UCCS MBA course.
- Presented wildfire mitigation content to Shiloh Pines annual HOA meeting.

Fire Inspections / Plan Review Services:

- Attended the Colorado Wildfire Resiliency Code community input meeting.
- Attended the fire marshal's association fire inspection training at South Metro.
- Commercial inspections continued in conjunction with CSFD building services.
- Attended the HBA code review meeting.
- Attended the HBA Tri-Lakes Chapter meeting.
- Participated in multiple pre-application construction meetings with developers and the Town of Monument.
- Attended D-38 property tour for potential fire code review.

Fire Investigations

- Nothing to report.