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## **BUTTE COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

FIRE CHIEF—Darren Read

176 Nelson Avenue, Oroville, CA 95965 ● (530) 538-7111

August 4, 2017

All Volunteers:

Re: Respiratory Protection Program Medical Questionnaire

Attached to this letter you will find a Butte County Fire Department Respiratory Protection Program Medical Questionnaire. The completion of this questionnaire is required by CAL-OSHA Title 8, California Code of Regulations, Section 5144 and General Industry Safety Orders respiratory regulations.

To comply with these regulations volunteers required to be fit tested must:

Upon receipt of this letter and health questionnaire, <u>contact the Butte County Health</u>
 <u>Department for a spirometry test appointment</u>. The test will be paid for by the Town of
 Paradise and should only take a few minutes. The Butte County Health Department has two
 locations to serve you.

Butte County Health Dept. 695 Oleander Avenue Chico, CA 95926 891-2731 Butte County Health Dept. 78 Table Mountain Blvd Oroville, CA 95965 538-7341

Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

- 2. You are required to show this letter to Butte County Health Department in order to receive a spiro test.
- Take your completed health questionnaire with you to your spirometry appointment. The
  county Health Practitioner will review it, and give you a signed fit test clearance letter. Your
  health questionnaire and spirometry appointment should be completed By November 1<sup>st</sup>,
  2017.
- 4. After you have completed your spirometry, you need to contact Fire Captain Joe Chavez (530 966-8682) or Lydia Soileau (530 521-8178) to schedule an appointment for your fit test if you are unable to attend the drill that has been selected for fit testing for your volunteer company. You are required to provide your fit test clearance letter to FC Chavez or FC Soileau prior to your fit test. The fit test procedure will generally take approximately 30 minutes per person.

Every volunteer will need to bring their issued **Personal Protective Equipment**, have a clean shaven face and should not smoke or chew tobacco within 1-hour prior to test.

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1. Compliance with the Spirometry and Fit Testing must be completed prior to December 31, 2017. Volunteer firefighters that do not follow through with the above fit testing procedures will be out of compliance with federal law and per SOP Manual section 5.18, the volunteer firefighter cannot respond to any calls as a full responder until RPP compliance is met and the volunteer firefighter's full responder PPE will be collected.

If you have any question regarding the Respiratory Protection Program, please contact Fire Captain Lydia Soileau.

Sincerely,

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