

Nederland Fire Protection District

Fire Marshal Board Report – March 2025



Permits & Inspections:

Inspections of the schools have been completed. Each school had a project to be completed to bring certain rooms to code, BVSD has been very receptive and dedicated to resolving the issues. Repairs have already been completed for the fire doors at NES, and work and planning continues for the wood shop at NMSHS. Overall, the number of issues found is much less than previous years. Many thanks to the teachers and staff dedicated to creating a safe learning environment for our community's students.

No major changes or concerns regarding permitting and plan review, which has slowed for the winter.

Projects:

Nederland Water –

Met with Andrew Bliss, Lead Utilities Operator for the Town of Nederland, to tour the freshwater and wastewater treatment plants with LTc M. Papich and Captain Moran for pre-planning and risk assessment. We learned a lot regarding the processes performed and answered any questions they had regarding fire or medical response.

LTc M. Papich has begun testing our community cisterns during favorable weather conditions, we have modified our annual testing process and record retention within First Due to appropriately track servicing to ultimately meet NFPA standards and ISO requirements.

Fire Code Update –

I attended the CCICC conference in Loveland, took many in-depth courses on various code, and a broad class that reviews major changes to the 2024 IFC. I feel confident that the 2024 code is the appropriate path forward and learned a few tips from other agencies on how to help make the transition go smoothly.

No major updates to the Wildfire Resiliency Code, this remains on my radar.

WACK –

Wildland Action Command Kits (Action Bags) have been put into service and the rollout to critical apparatuses has been completed with all the assigned apparatuses scheduled to have kits in service next month.

These kits include the Wildfire Atlas, Wildland Job Aid, and other tools to help our team respond appropriately to wildfire events. We've tested them multiple times with various scenarios in a training environment with each of the command staff and our officers. We intend on introducing them to our other firefighters so they may become familiar with their contents.

The QR codes have been activated to allow the sharing of the maps and for folks to open them in their various digital mapping solutions. We have tested them in Avenza and they work great, including all geo-locating information.

Other Activities:

I recertified my EMT designation.

I am out of town, traveling with my family to NC for the next several days for Spring Break.