

Nederland Fire Protection District

Fire Marshal Board Report – September 2026



Permits & Inspections:

Permitting, inspections and plan review remain active; so far in the month of August we've received or completed:

10 new construction or operational permits

2 new special event permits approved – each requiring an approved Emergency Operations Plan

5 construction permits closed/finalized

12 plan reviews completed

11 inspections completed

Code, Compliance, & Investigations:

Met with Armando at the Community Center along with ADS (alarm contractors), to create a different plan to install early detection smoke detectors in all occupiable spaces and upgrade the panel infrastructure and other detection modules in the main building – the new system would be much more expensive, however, it would prevent requiring the building to be sprinklered, if the firewall between the occupancies remains satisfactory.

Working with contractors to get the NELC building up to code and finalized. Fire sprinklers and alarms have been passed, along with the hood system and emergency water supply. All that remains is a short list for Fire & Life Safety inspection and a couple Emergency Access items to close out the permits.

Met with Town to address a couple hiccups with the water main extension and hydrant installation at the Stinky Gulch/E 5th Street intersection.

Performed rough inspection for a residential sprinkler system in Timberline's district.

Working on a couple of rather large sprinkler permits that were recently submitted.

Worked with BCSO and USFS to clarify fines and ticketing in the Magnolia campground and ensure fire ban compliance is enforced.

Town is investigating Firewise designation for Town of Nederland neighborhoods (CWPP) – I will assist any way possible.

Fire Prevention Week is October 4-10, "Charge info Fire Safety" – messaging is reminding folks of electric, battery, and charging safety:

- Use only manufacturer-approved chargers and cords.
- Charge devices on hard, flat surfaces—not beds, couches, or pillows.
- Stop using devices that feel hot, swell, smoke, or smell unusual.
- Unplug devices once fully charged.
- Charge large items (e-bikes, scooters, power tools) outside and away from exits.
- On airplanes, keep devices in sight while charging.

NES Preschool will be visiting NFPD Station 1 that week – I'm working on having NELC join as well.

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NES Fire & Life Safety Inspection is next week; Town owned facilities inspections throughout the remainder of the month.

Projects:

1. IT - Infrastructure Upgrades

Installing new hardware in the IT closet including new patch panels, new switch, new server rack and PDU, and the new firewall.

Installed Starlink on a permanent mount outside and through the building, into the IT closet (thanks Nick and Daniel!)

2. IT – GIS and Mapping

Helping Tim with some mapping for a mitigation project.