

Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER)

Fauquier County Board of Supervisors Presentation
May 2020



Purpose of the Safer Grant Program

The Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) Grants was created to provide funding directly to fire departments and volunteer firefighter interest organizations to help them increase the number of trained, "front line" firefighters available in their communities.

11 Fire Rescue Technicians

Goal: Apply for a SAFER grant based on a 24/7 four person engine that is in line with safe staffing levels supported by the NFPA and IAFF. The reviewing body may favor awarding staffing in quantities that follow the four person model. If this were awarded, we would have two properly staffed platforms to respond with on EMS events and immediate subsequent events (M1108 with two and K1108 with two). Goldvein is ideal for the four person model as we would have four on K1108 (a pumper/tanker) which often runs first due on structures so water and effective work force arrives together. Four person staffing would also add system capacity with a single volunteer participating daily to be able to staff 3 on the suppression piece and 2 on the medic.

Safer Initiative Overview

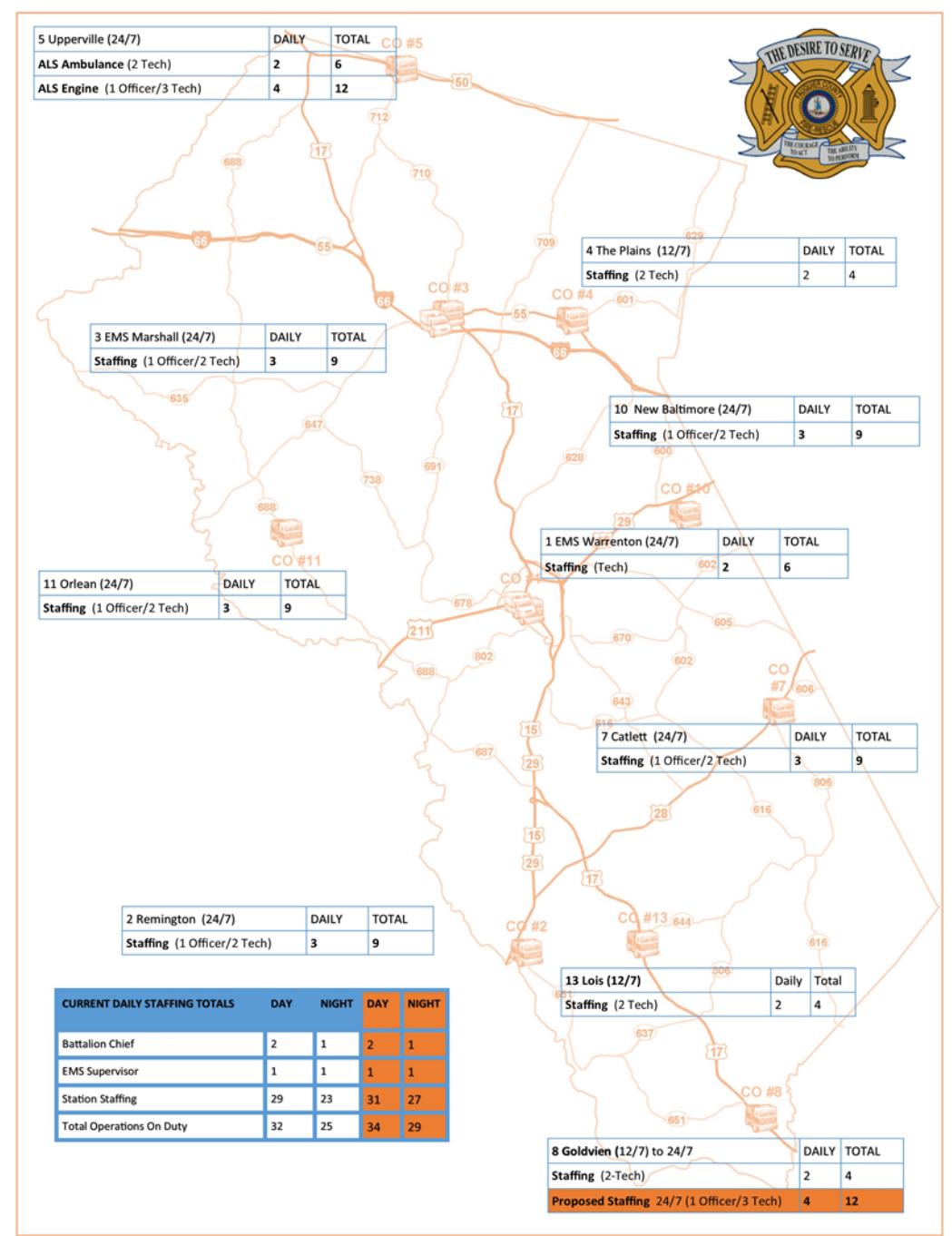


Goldvein VFD

VFRA Chiefs

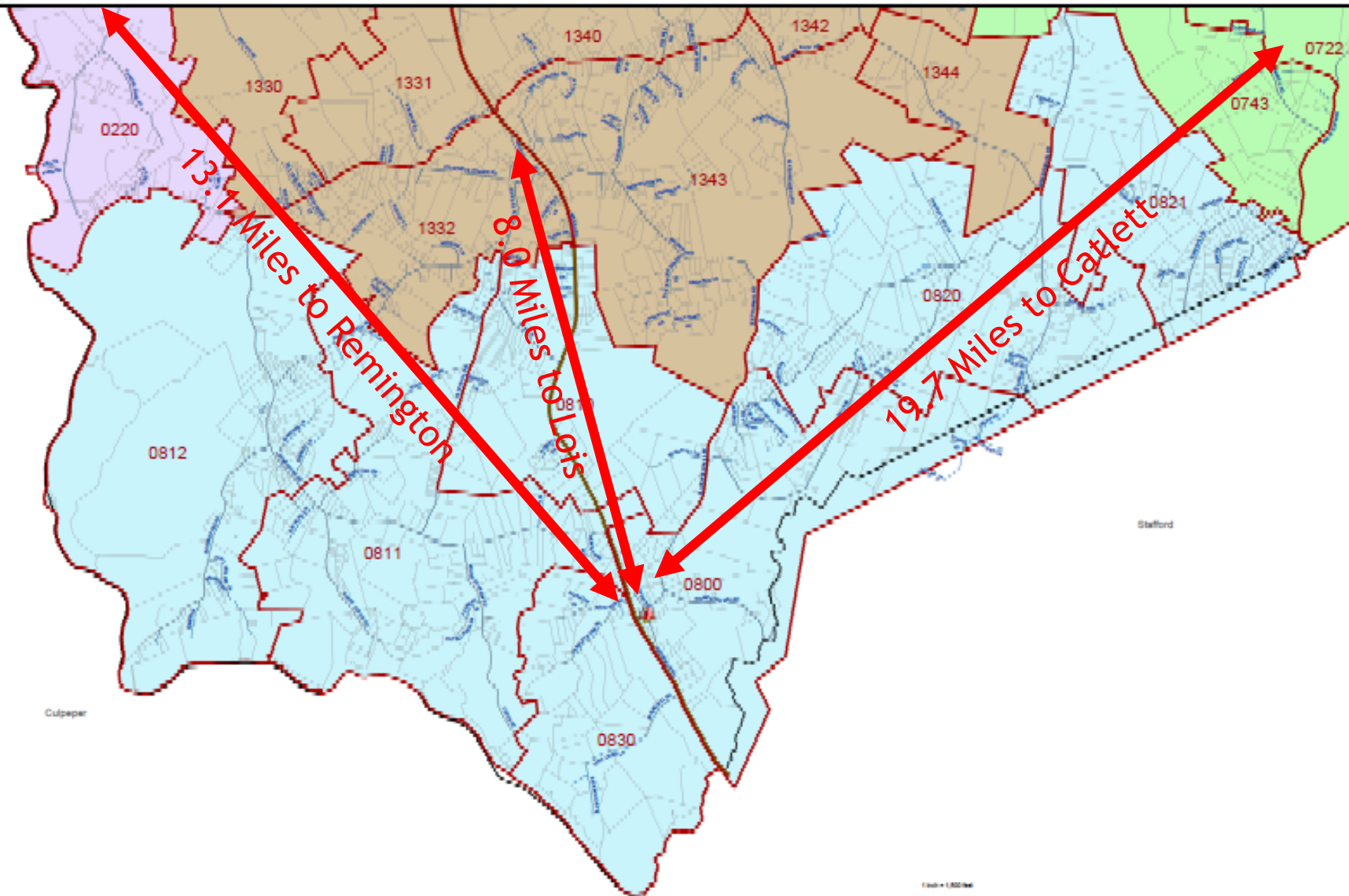
Current Staffing Model

- Central (1st Battalion) 125 square miles
 - 6 personnel 24/7 (plus Town personnel at Co.1)
 - 1 career person for every 21 square miles
- Northern (3rd Battalion) 309 square miles
 - 14 personnel daytime / 12 personnel nighttime
 - 1 career person for every 23 / 26 sq. miles
- Southern (2nd Battalion) 226 square miles
 - 10 personnel daytime / 6 personnel nighttime
 - 1 career person for every 23 / 38 sq. miles
 - With SAFER, 1 for every 19 / 23 sq. miles**





COMPANY 8 FIRST DUE



FIRST DUE COMPANY

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1 inch = 1,000 feet



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First Due facts...

Response Area

43.8 Square Miles (Primary)
24.28 Square Miles (Secondary)
1177 Residences

Responses (12 months)

1108 - 406

Avg. Response Time 12/7

Daytime 10.5 minutes
Nighttime 17 minutes

Avg. EMS Call length

1 Hour, 48 Min

Planned Development for the southern area...

Mintbrook

- Completed 149 of the 475 planned single family homes
- 100 Active Adult Apartments
- Completed 40 of the 54 planned townhomes.
- Future Commercial Growth

Commercial Hotel

- 4 stories and 107 guest rooms

Foxhaven

- 24 Single Family Lots Approved
- 26 Additional lots undergoing final approval

Meadows of Remington

- 24 Single Family Lots Approved
- 26 Additional lots undergoing final approval



Program Costs

Office of Management and Budget

Overview of Grant

- Grant program includes:
 - 11.0 FTE F&R Technicians
 - Upgrade of 3.0 FTE Technicians to 1.0 FTE Captain and 2.0 FTE Lieutenants (all locally supported in FY22)
- Grant period of performance is for three years
 - Assumes a mid-FY 2021 start based on normal award notice timeline
 - Grant funding would be received in FY21 - FY24, with grant year crossing fiscal years
 - Last year of grant funding in FY24
 - Full cost locally funded in FY25, \$1.24 million/year
- Allowable expenses are funded at 75% for Years 1 and 2, and 35% for Year 3
 - Includes salaries and benefits and base overtime
 - Unallowable costs include operating costs such as uniforms, polygraphs, etc.

Funding Breakdown by Fiscal Year

| Description | FY 2021 | FY 2022 | FY 2023 | FY 2024 |
|--|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| SAFER Funding | \$424,117 | \$839,029 | \$618,283 | \$193,660 |
| SAFER Local Match | \$141,372 | \$279,676 | \$505,868 | \$359,655 |
| Unallowable Grant Expenses (Local Only-Costs) | \$151,040 | \$61,365 | \$61,365 | \$632,201 |
| Position Upgrades (Local-Only Costs) | \$ - | \$54,461 | \$54,461 | \$54,461 |
| Total Costs | \$716,529 | \$1,234,531 | \$1,239,977 | \$1,239,977 |
| Total Local Share (SAFER Local Match + Unallowable Grant Expenses + Position Upgrades) | \$292,412 | \$395,502 | \$621,694 | \$1,046,317 |