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## Garden Valley Fire Protection District

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## Board of Directors:

As you are aware, the El Dorado County LAFCO Commission has placed consolidation on the agenda for the October  $23^{rd}$  LAFCO meeting. Based on the August  $28^{th}$  LAFCO meeting, I expect the Commission would like to hear from the three fire districts as to a stance on the agenda item.

Given the restrictive funding dynamics of our three agencies and the limited resources, it is in the best interest of our employees and the citizens we serve to explore all options as to providing the best levels of service. I am proposing the three agencies officially support a LAFCO study to determine the viability of a consolidation of the Georgetown-Divide. The Garden Valley Fire Protection District Board of Directors officially supported this endeavor through a Board Resolution in August.

Fire and emergency medical services on the Georgetown-Divide are at a turning point. With the major wildfires, rising costs of employees and impacts of homeowners insurance changes to our citizens, it is our duty to identify what options are available. A LAFCO initiated study, would provide a neutral perspective at no cost to the districts or our citizens. I strongly recommend supporting this endeavor.

Respectfully,

Clive Savacool

Fire Chief, Garden Valley Fire Protection District