



River Delta Fire District

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF IMPROVED FIRE INSURANCE RATING CLASSIFICATION

The River Delta Fire District is pleased to announce that it has received A Class-4 fire protection rating from the Insurance Services Office (ISO). For nearby comparisons, Rio Vista is rated as Class-4, Isleton is Class-5, and Delta Fire Protection District is listed as Class-8. The Class-4 rating was based on the ISO's independent analysis of the structural fire suppression delivery system provided to the River Delta Fire District community. Ratings range from 1 to 10. The lower the number, the better the rating.

The ISO collects information on communities and analyzes the data using its Fire Suppression Rating Schedule that evaluates four primary categories of Fire Suppression, Fire Department Operations, Training, Emergency Communications, Water Supply, and Community Risk Reduction. The schedule addresses the effectiveness of protecting homes and other structures, with better fire protection leading to better loss experiences for insurers.

Ratings play an important part in the decisions insurers make in setting the premiums for property insurance. The price of property insurance in a community with a better ISO rating is often lower than in a

community with a poorer ISO rating. Property owners within the River Delta Fire District are encouraged to contact their insurance providers and ask how this Class-4 rating may affect their premiums as the current rating is an improvement over the District's previous Class-5 rating.

A rural fire district achieving a Class-4 rating involves a significant amount of preparation and organization, relevant training standards, consistent qualified staffing, prevention outreach, and effective involvement with our response partners in the event force multipliers are needed for significant events. Automatic Aid Agreements with Woodbridge Fire District, Montezuma Fire District and South Sacramento County Fire Agencies played a role in the Class-4 rating and we greatly appreciate our cooperators for their assistance.

"What an amazing accomplishment for our Fire District and our entire community," said Fire District Board President Les Wolfson. "This is a true testament to the level of commitment in providing excellent service to our residents."

Chief Paul Cutino added, "I am proud of the professionalism and dedication that the men and women of this Fire District continue to demonstrate each and every day. Class-4 is the best rating in the region, shared only with Rio Vista, and it exemplifies our mission of providing the highest level of fire protection to our community."

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