

To: Bay Area UASI Approval Authority

From: Brian Martin, Lake County Sheriff Jodi Traversaro, Cal OES Coastal Region Administrator

Date: March 10, 2016

Re: Item 4: Lake County Fires Response Report

Staff Recommendations:

None

Action or Discussion Items:

Discussion

Discussion:

Sheriff Brian Martin from Lake County and Jodi Traversaro, California Governor's Office of Emergency Services Coastal Region Administrator, will discuss the 2015 Valley Fires response and recovery efforts, including lessons learned and next steps.

Background:

The Valley Fire is considered the third worst fire in California history based on total structures burned. It started at 1pm on Saturday, September 12 in Lake County, California and by 6:30 PM had burned more than 10,000 acres. By Sunday, the fire had reached 50,000 acres and had destroyed much of four communities. The fire ultimately spread to 76,067 acres and killed four people.

Mandatory evacuation orders were issued and evacuation centers were set up for eight communities in the unincorporated parts of Kelseyville, Pope Valley and Angwin. Officials from CAL FIRE confirmed more than 1,000 homes and businesses were destroyed.