



PENINSULA FIRE DISTRICT



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PENINSULA FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

Vehicle Reorganization Plan April 2026

1. Purpose

The purpose of this plan is to streamline the District's vehicle and apparatus fleet by:

- Removing excess, aging, damaged, and high-maintenance units
- Balancing frontline apparatus between Peninsula Station 1, Peninsula Station 2, and Chester Fire Station
- Adding dedicated wildland-urban interface (WUI) response capability
- Maintaining statutory hazardous materials/spill response requirements
- Generating revenue from surplus sales to help fund necessary replacements

This reorganization will reduce long-term maintenance and insurance costs while improving operational efficiency across the Lake Almanor Basin.

2. Final Equipment Assignments

Peninsula Station 1 (Primary WUI and EMS response hub Peninsula and Hamilton Branch areas)

- 7124 KME KVCH Type 1 Engine (1999) (Move to Peninsula station 2 when type 3 is in service)
- **New Type 3 Fire Engine** (to be purchased – primary wildland initial attack)
- 7152 Ford Ambulance (2024) – Primary medical response

Peninsula Station 2 (Structure response and support hub)

- 7122 Pierce Type 1 Engine (2008)
- 7153 Ford Braun Ambulance (2015) – Placed in reserve status
- **New Used 3/4-ton Pickup Truck** (replaces sold 2021 Tahoe for Fire Chief)
- 7191 Zodiac Rescue Boat (1994) (REC 1 May – October)
- Bobcat Tractor-Snowblower (district-shared asset)
- Oil Spill Trailer (2017) – Retained for statutory spill/hazardous materials responsibility



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Chester Fire Station (Ladder/technical rescue and balanced structure/medical response, Chester area)

- 7161 Pierce Ladder Quint (2008)
- 7121 Pierce Type 1 Engine (2008)
- 7151 Ford F-350 Ambulance (2024)
- 7101 Chevy Tahoe Command Asst Chief (2021)
- 7102 Chevy Tahoe Command Bat Chief (2021)

3. Surplus Vehicles to Be Sold

Unit #	Description	Year	Previous Station	Reason for Sale	Estimated Sale Value (2026)
7123	Pierce Type 1 Engine	2004	Chester	Excess Type 1	\$30,000 – \$50,000
7142	Dodge Ram 1500 Bighorn	2016	Peninsula	Totaled in accident	TBD
7100	Chevy Tahoe Command Chief	2021	Peninsula	Replaced with practical command and towing vehicle for Fire Chief	\$35,000 – \$45,000
7141	Dodge Ram 1500 Utility	2008	Chester	Repeated electrical issues	\$6,000 – \$10,000
7156	Ford Mini Pumper Type 6	2001	Peninsula	Outdated; replaced by new Type 3	\$15,000 – \$22,000
7154	Dodge Ambulance	2011	Chester	Surplus- mechanical issues	\$10,000 – \$16,000
2008 Ford F-350 Ambulance	Ambulance	2008	Peninsula	Surplus- replaced with 7152	\$12,000 – \$20,000

Projected Total Revenue from Sales: \$108,000 – \$163,000 (excluding value on totaled vehicle).



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4. Recommended Replacement Purchases

1. Used Type 3 Fire Engine

- Specification: 2008-2015 Cal-Fire / NFPA-compliant wildland engine (minimum 500-gallon tank, 150+ gpm pump, 4x4 chassis, foam system).
- Placement: Peninsula Station 1
- Estimated Cost: \$280,000 – \$380,000 (gross) – net cost reduced by grants and sale proceeds.

2. Used 3/4-ton Pickup Truck

- Specification: 2015–2022 model, 4x4, crew cab, gasoline preferred, minimum 10,000 lb towing capacity, tow hitch.
- Placement: Peninsula Station 2 (for Fire Chief use and equipment towing)
- Estimated Cost: \$25,000 – \$45,000

5. Implementation Timeline

Phase 1 – April 2026 (Immediate)

- Board approval of the Vehicle Reorganization Plan
- Process disposal of 7142 (totaled Dodge Ram)
- Prepare and list all surplus vehicles for sale by broker or public auction

Phase 2 – May–June 2026

- Execute all apparatus and equipment moves between stations
- Begin used search for the used 3/4-ton pickup truck
- Update insurance coverage, maintenance records, and training assignments for new placements

Phase 3 – July–September 2026 (Q3)

- Begin used search through broker for the new Type 3 Fire Engine
- Begin outfitting process and policy for use.



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Phase 4 – October-December 2026 (Q4)

- Develop a vehicle replacement policy for future guidance
- Annual fleet review and condition assessment
- Monitor maintenance costs and operational performance of reorganized fleet

6. Benefits of the Plan

- Balanced frontline fire and medical response at all three locations
- Enhanced wildland initial-attack capability at Peninsula Station 1
- Practical towing and boat support centralized at Peninsula Station 2
- Significant reduction in aging/high-maintenance vehicles
- Revenue generation to offset capital purchases
- Continued compliance with statutory spill response obligations
- Lower long-term operating and insurance expenses

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