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**ATTACHMENT 12**

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To: **State Board of Fire Services**

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SUBJECT/AGENDA ACTION ITEM:

Fire and Life Safety Division Update
Information/discussion only

ANALYSIS/SUMMARY OF ISSUE:Personnel

Offers have been made to fill the positions approved by the 2008 budget change proposal (BCP). We anticipate having all position sworn in by the end of 2014.

Interviews will be taking place for DSFM III Supervisor in Plan Review as well as a DSFM III Specialist in Sacramento, beginning in August. Interviews for the DSFM III Specialist, Monrovia were held on Aug. 11, 2014. (authorized 14/15 BCP position)

Fred Paesano has been promoted to Supervisor in the Monrovia office, and George Mavrikis has been promoted to a Grade III Specialist assigned to the Fresno office. Both positions were authorized from the 14/15 BCP for Fire and Life Safety.

An announcement to fill a DSFM III Supervisor in Plan Review and a DSFM Grade III Specialist position has been posted. A DSFM III Specialist assigned to the Bay Area (Fremont) is now in background.

Plan Review

- California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) - Fire and Life Safety staff continues work with CDCR to facilitate the implementation of their Health Care Facility Improvement Program (HCFIP), Statewide Medical Distribution (SMD), Major Capital Outlay and Infill Projects. In order to help expedite the review and approval process, CDCR has implemented a pre-screening/submittal Checklist (that must be initialed by the Architects and Engineers of Record) for basic OSFM requirements prior to their Application, in the hopes of expediting the review and approval process. Current active CDCR project values are approximately \$837,098,400.

- Judicial Council of California (JCC/formally AOC) - A Meeting with the JCC has been scheduled on August 11, 2014 to review and refine template documents developed by JCC and their consultants for basic designs of courtrooms and adjacent holding cells. A portion of the template project includes code classifications and occupant load calculation standards for these use elements; and a standard for the contents and composition of code compliance and exiting designs. The intent of the document is direct each Architect initiating new designs on court buildings to utilize these standards and templates. Current active JCC project values are approximately \$722,239,728.
- The Board of State and Community Corrections (BSCC) - Fire and Life Safety staff continues to collaborate with BSCC staff to facilitate an efficient and effective plan reviews of local detention project sponsored by State, County and Local Agencies; as well as field inspection/reviews through construction and completion phases of these local (adult and juvenile) detention facilities. Current active BSCC values of AB-900, AB-81, SB-1022 and SB 863 projects are approximately 2.5 billion dollars (on 65 projects).
- California Department of Water Resources (DWR) - After the devastating underground fire at the Thermalito Power/Pumping Plant, and because of the critical nature of their DWR' delivery systems, DWR has implemented a State-wide Fire Life Safety Modernization (risk management) Project. Fire and Life Safety has dedicated one Senior Plan Reviewer to work with DWR and their consultant teams through the phased - design, submittal and review process. This is due to the upgrading of all 26 all their Plants. DWR's cost estimate for their Fire Life Safety Modernization is approximately \$100,000,000 per plant; the cost for Thermalito Plant is running approximately three to four times that value.

Fire Life Safety Division, currently has 190 active (working) plan reviews in progress, for a total value of \$1,997,864,812.