

**Subject:** Fire District News: Flagstaff Fire Department's plan for fighting a large structural or wildfire in Lockett Ranches  
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Long-time residents of Lockett will recognize that firefighting in our area is complicated by lack of access to water. With no fire hydrants in most of the community and the inability to access stored water in home cisterns, firefighters are usually required to bring water to the fire. As the attached communication from Battalion Chief Torsten Palm indicates, FFD has a plan for doing this - although carrying it out depends on access to the site of the fire for needed equipment.

Each of us should take a critical look at the access issue and do in advance what might be needed to improve access on our properties for emergency equipment. The Owner's Association Lot Review process covers this item. If an owner wishes professional advice on these issues, carrying out a Lot Review is an easy and free way to get it. Information on how to arrange for a Lot Review by a FFD professional can be found at the bottom of the landing page on the Fire District website at <http://firedistrict.lockettranches.com>.

It should also be noted that FFD does NOT guarantee a timely response to a call for help. While they will do their best to arrive as soon as possible, there may be circumstances that prevent that timely response such as: weather issues particularly snow; terrain barriers; and quoting from the fire protection contract "fire, flood, windstorm, breakdown or other damage to equipment, power failure or any other cause beyond the reasonable control of the CITY", and "CITY requirements to provide services to any or all parts of the entire service system, including its own residents, Mutual Aid Partners, or contract/I GA holders within its jurisdictional limits."

We all pay a fair amount for fire and emergency medical response protection, and it is in our individual and collective interests to make sure emergency vehicles can get to our properties. Also to state the obvious: preventing fires in the first place is the best way to protect our homes and those of our neighbors from a fire disaster.

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Best regards –  
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