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To: Solano County Grand Jury,

After reading through the Grand Jury report dealing with **Fire Protection: Communication Consolidation** the Cordelia Fire Protection District agrees with the findings from the Grand Jury. The consolidation of dispatch services in this county would greatly increase inter-operational abilities within the Solano County. The fire districts would not be required to carry multiple radios to communicate with different fire agencies in the county. The consolidation for dispatch services should have been done years ago. Below are the answers to the findings, please see statements # 2 & 3 which are from the Solano County Fire Chiefs Association.

**Finding 2**

City Fire Departments and Independent Fire Districts in the County have begun to collaborate in acquiring equipment in compliance with Federal mandates.

**Recommendation 2**

City Fire Departments and Independent Fire Districts implement a "shared consolidation" for the purpose of obtaining equipment, hardware, and software.

**Statement #2**

The County Fire Chiefs Association support the concept of "shared consolidation" (sometimes referred to as "functional consolidation") for the acquisition of equipment, hardware and software providing that there is a lead authority appointed, an inclusive workgroup of representative fire agencies formed and that appropriate and sustainable funding sources / savings are identified and allocated to further the concept.

**Finding 3**

Fire communications consolidation will improve public safety.

**Recommendation 3**

Implement fire communications consolidation to enhance public safety.

**Statement #3**

The County Fire Chiefs Association support the concept of a consolidation of fire communications centers and operations providing that there is a lead authority appointed, an inclusive workgroup of representative fire agencies formed and that appropriate and sustainable funding sources / savings are identified and allocated to further the concept.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Keith Martin".

Keith Martin, Fire Chief  
Cordelia Fire Protection District