

Central Emergency Service Area Established in 1991

**Proudly Serving the
Communities of:**

Soldotna

Ridgeway

Sterling

K-Beach

Funny River

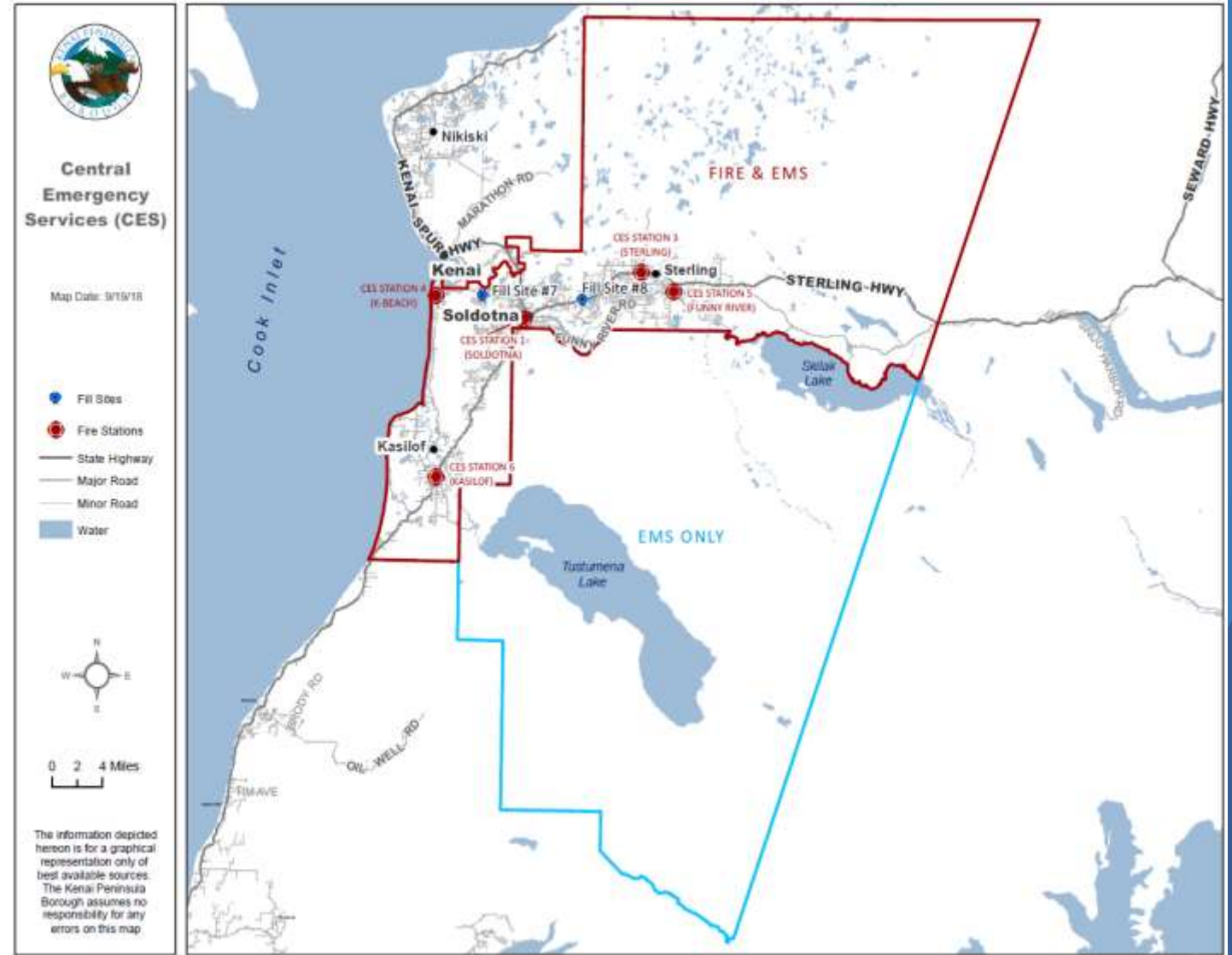
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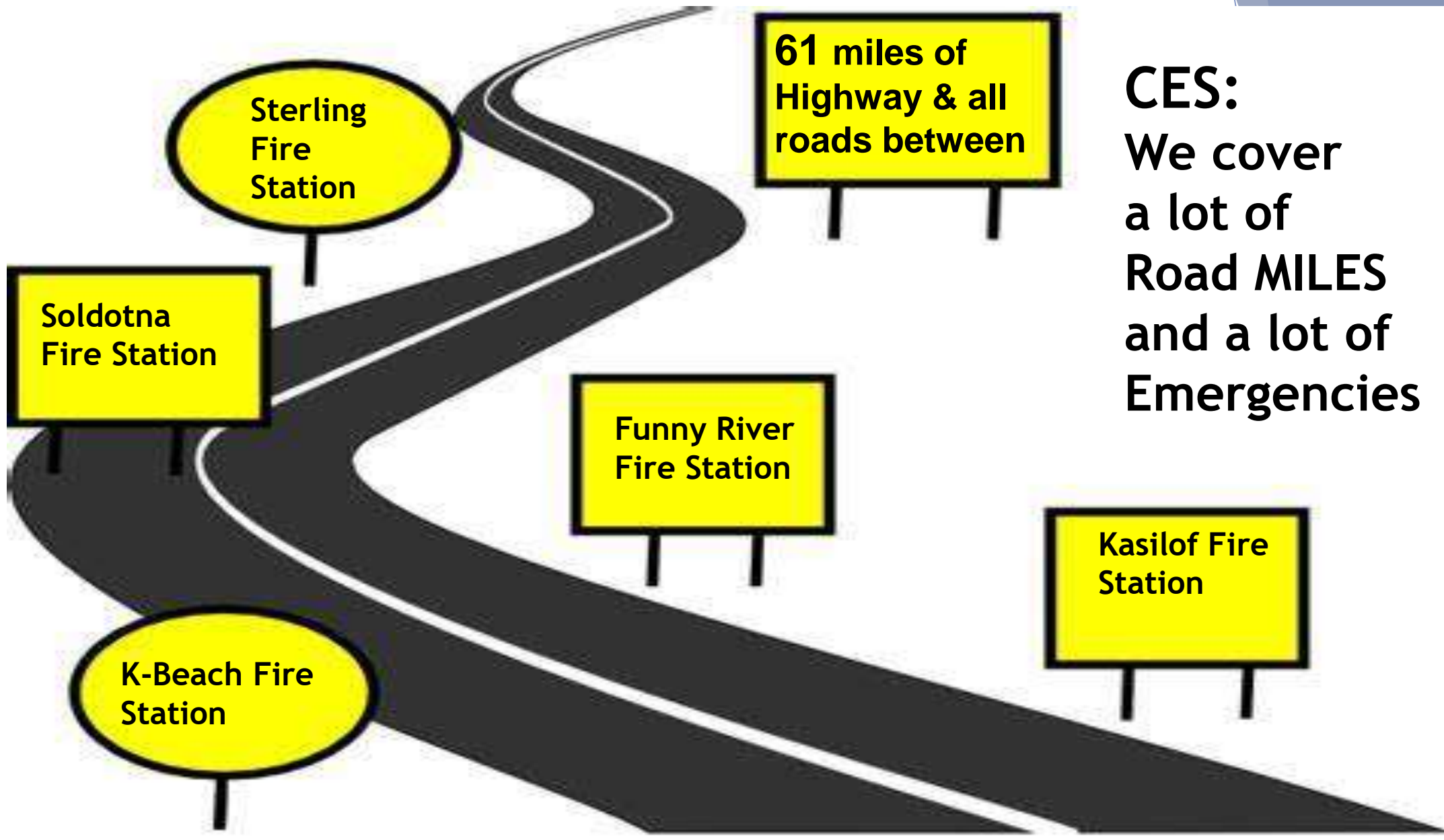


History

In 1991 KPB Ordinance 91-32 Established the Central Emergency Service Area-by setting forth a reorganization plan by consolidation of the City of Soldotna Fire Department, Ridgeway/Sterling, K-Beach, and Central Peninsula EMS.

In 2004 areas of Kasilof and Funny River were admitted by voter approval to the CES Service Area.





Service Area

Population: 25,000

- ▶ 2,200 Square Miles for EMS
- ▶ 1,000 Square Miles for FIRE
- ▶ 61 Road miles on the Sterling Hwy.
- ▶ Facilities: Admin. Shared (OEM)
- ▶ Fire Stations Primary: 5
- ▶ Sub Stations: 3
- ▶ Training Facility: Arc Loop
- ▶ SO PREP LEASE Training Room Space

ISO CLASS- 2 / 5-
Annual Savings: \$12 Million
11,994 Homes
1,417 Commercial Businesses

Single Family Residences By District:

- ▶ Sta. 1-Soldotna Area: 3,811
- ▶ Sta. 3-Sterling Area: 2,857
- ▶ Sta. 4-K-Beach Area: 3,264
- ▶ Sta. 5-Funny River Area: 226
- ▶ Sta. 6-Kasilof Area: 1,831

Fleet

50 motorized apparatus

(31 fire trucks and ambulances, 19 Staff/Utility boats, ATVs)



Facilities: Fire Stations, Fill Sites Training Facility



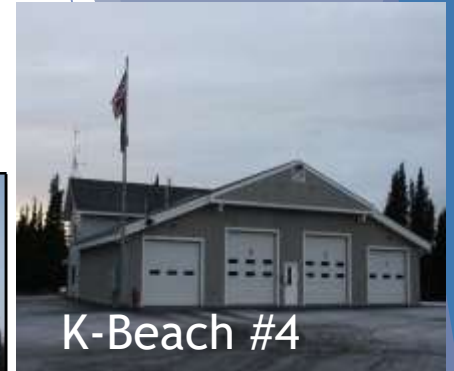
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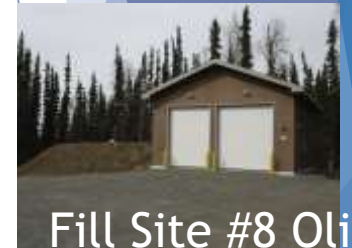
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Sterling #3



K-Beach #4



Fill Site #8 Oliver



Mackey Lk #2



Kasilof #6



ADMIN-ERC/OEM

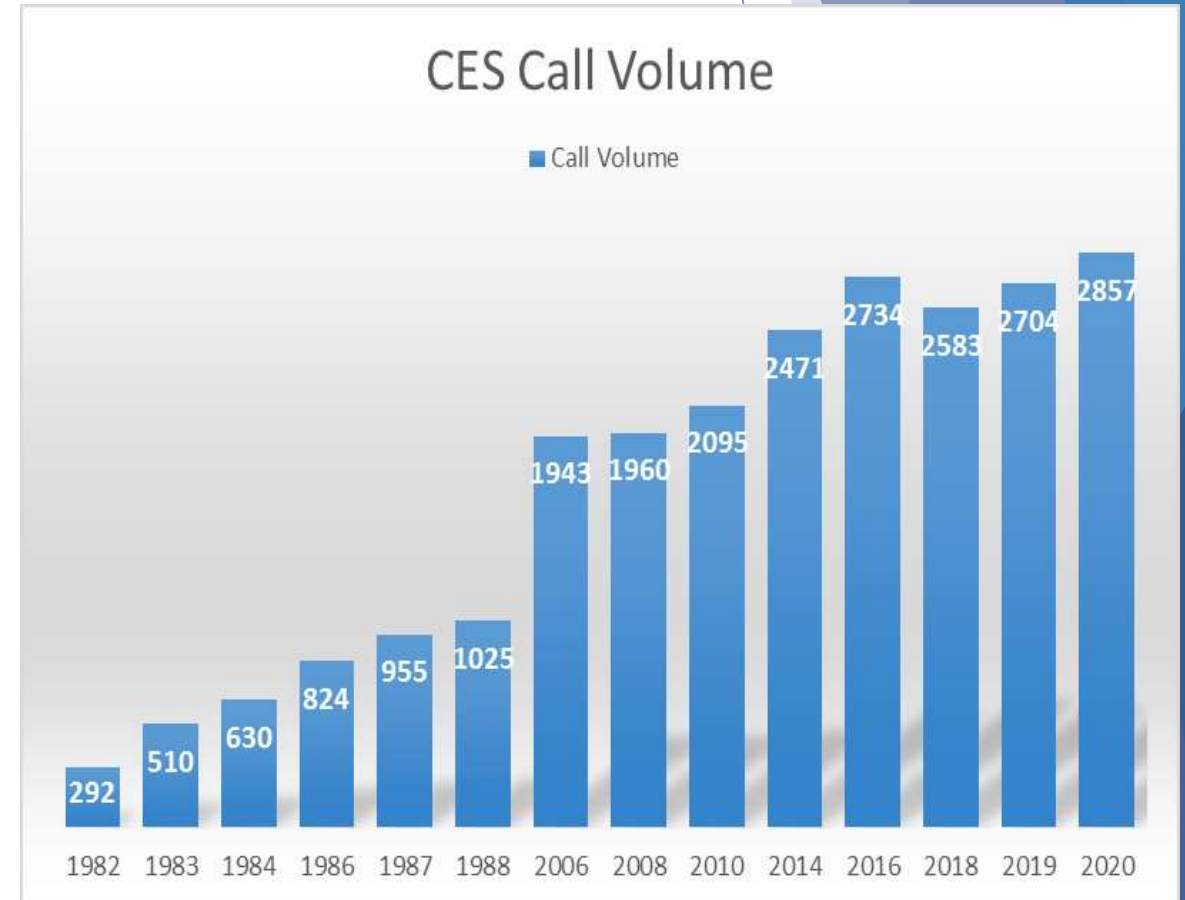


Funny River #5



Training Site
ARC-LOOP

Emergency Calls- 2,857 (5.65% Increase) 2018-2019 (4.68%)



Overlapping Incidents

► Overlapping Calls:

Occurrences of 2 Overlaps: 473
of 3 Overlaps: 95
of 4 Overlaps: 12
of 5 overlaps: 2
of 6 overlaps: 1
of 7 overlaps: 1

The Addition of Funny River Sta.# 5 Staffing will Assist with these overlapping calls throughout the Service Area. Mayor's Proposed budget FY22



FY 21 Highlights

- ▶ 2 New Fire Water Tanker trucks put into service in Funny River and Kasilof
- ▶ 2 New Ambulances put into service for Soldotna and K-Beach
- ▶ SCBA Air Packs- upgraded to 118 packs all placed into service
- ▶ New Training Officer Promoted
- ▶ New Captains promoted for 24-hour Shifts
- ▶ New Computerized Fire Station Alerting went into service
- ▶ Rescue Boat and Boat Operators Class
- ▶ Volunteer Firefighter 1 class and EMT1 class completed
- ▶ Safety Initiatives- Post Incident Reviews of Fires/Rescue Calls, Safety Message Boards in all Fire Stations

CES Critical Operational Needs

☐ Soldotna Fire Station Replacement

- ☐ Mission Deficiency (Size, Space)
- ☐ Costly repair and maintenance
- ☐ Risk/Liability
- ☐ No Gender Privacy Sleeping Quarters
- ☐ Code Compliances

☒ Staffing/Emergency Response

- ☐ Full-time staffing of Funny River Fire Station
- ☐ Volunteer availability

☒ Training Staff Need

- ☐ Additional Training Administrator Needed
- ☐ Currently 1 Training Officer for 44 employees and 30 Vol Firefighters

☐ Fleet Maintenance

- ☐ Long term Maintenance Shop
- ☐ Additional Mechanic for Future



**FY22 Mayor
Proposed
Budget**



Soldotna Fire Station Replacement

- ▶ Service Area Board recommendation #1 Priority
- ▶ Continue with plans to secure a new site and funding for the construction of a new Soldotna Fire Station



FY 22 Budget

Mill Rate: 2.85 (no change)

- ▶ **Personnel:** Increase of 13.78%
Added 3 Engineer/Paramedics, 1 Training Staff, OT increase for Staffing Funny River Fire Station and Volunteer Training Programs
- ▶ **Supplies:** Increase 15.48%, in Medical Supplies (Funny River Amb.), Training Supplies, Foam
- ▶ **Capital Outlay:** Increase of 96.73%, Several one time purchases, Knox Key Secure System, Training Props, Off-Road Rescue Skid Unit, Hose rollers, Hose Pressure Tester



FY22 Capital Projects Fund

- ▶ Fire Station Relocation/Design/Construction: \$1,000,000
- ▶ Ambulance Purchase: \$260,000
- ▶ Radio Communications, PILT Grant: \$192,500
- ▶ EMS Advanced Training Simulators: \$130,000
- ▶ Utility Vehicle: \$60,000

Thank you Mayor and Assembly!
Questions?

