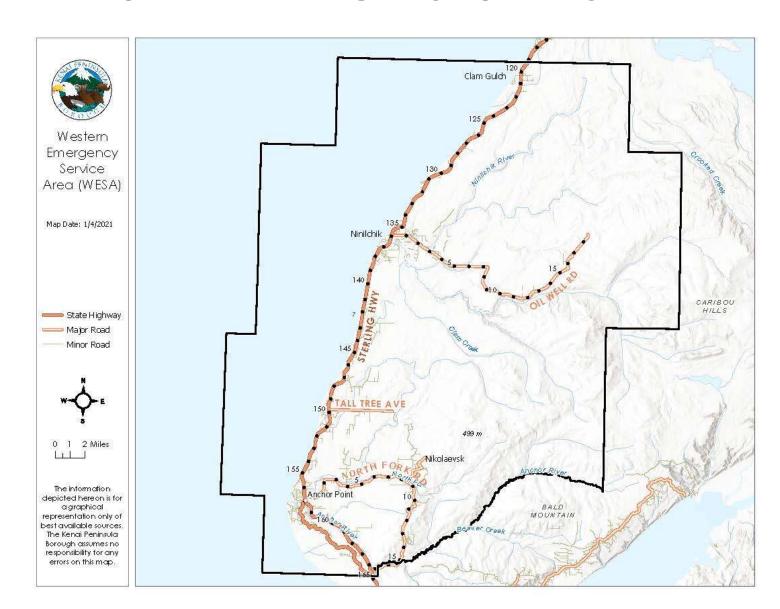


#### WESTERN EMERGENCY SERVICE AREA







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• Expanded in February from 214 to 826 Square Miles

- Anchor Point
  - Ninilchik
- Happy Valley
  - Nikolaevsk
- Clam Gulch
- Caribou Hills





#### WESTERN EMERGENCY SERVICE AREA

45 Miles of the Sterling Highway
Old Sterling Highway
North Fork Road
Oil Well Road

Population of 4,043

**ISO Rating 5/5Y** 





# Western Emergency Service Area

- 3 Fire Stations
- Ninilchik Station 1
- Anchor Point Station 3
  - Nikolaevsk Station 4
- Emergency Water Fill Site in Happy Valley Under Construction at Resch Road (MP 147 Sterling Highway). Future site for Station 2.





## **NINILCHIK STATION 1**







#### **ANCHOR POINT STATION 3**







## **ANCHOR POINT STATION 3**







#### **NIKOLAEVSK STATION 4**







#### **APPARATUS**







- 4 ENGINES
- 1 RESCUE TRUCK
- 1 LADDER TRUCK
- 5 TANKERS
- 1 WATER TRUCK
- 2 BRUSH TRUCKS
- 5 AMBULANCES
- 3 COMMAND VEHICLES
- 6 UTILITY VEHICLES
- 2 UTV's





#### **SERVICE AREA STAFFING**

**Ten Fulltime Paid Employees** 

Chief, Deputy Chief, Assistant Chief, 5 Firefighter/ EMT 3 / Paramedics

1 Firefighter Technician and 1 Mechanic

**42 Volunteer Responders** 

All active volunteers are certified Firefighters / EMTs / Paramedics





## **FY21 Accomplishments**

- Completed expansion of Anchor Point Emergency Services to now include area formerly serviced by Ninilchik Emergency Services. Expanded area renamed to Western Emergency Service Area.
- Completion of Firefighter I and EMT 1 classes despite long delays due to pandemic.
- Addition of rental building behind Anchor Point Station to house ladder truck making it available to a much larger part of the service area.





## **FY21 Accomplishments**

- Formalized mutual and automatic aid agreements between WES and Kachemak Emergency Services, Homer Volunteer Fire Department and Central Emergency Services.
- Standardization of all services and protocols between Ninilchik and Anchor Point Stations
- Addition of 4 paramedics, 2 Fire Service Instructors and 2 Fire Officers
- Implemented volunteer shifts to help staffing

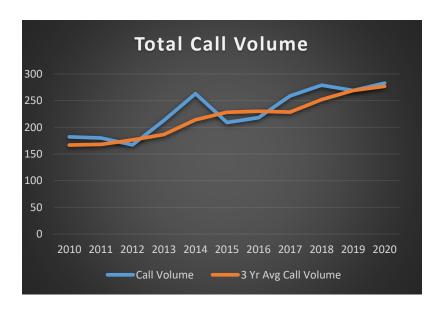


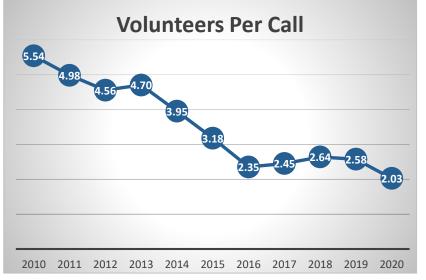


#### **Major Long Term Issues and Concerns:**

Continued volunteer recruitment and retention.

Since 2010 65% Increase in call volume 63% reduction in volunteer response since 2010









#### **Major Long Term Issues and Concerns:**

- Replacement plan for aging apparatus and utility vehicles.
- Construction of a new station in Happy Valley.
- Replacement of mobile radios in all apparatus.
- Meet minimum staffing of 2 per station, 24-hour coverage.





#### **FY2022 New Initiatives:**

- Complete in-ground water tank capital project at Resch Road.
- Replacement of 4 cardiac monitor defibrillators
- Replacement self-contained breathing apparatus and compressors/fill stations to remain NFPA compliant.
- Replacement of a Command Vehicle.
- Certify 15 personnel at Fire Service Driver Operator, Engine, Aerial and Mobile Water Supply.





- Personnel increased \$749,948
  - **Supplies** increased \$51,089
  - **Services** increased \$125,305

- Most due to expenses from expansion of service area
- Paid staff, volunteer staff, and call volume have all increased at least 100%
- Additional station, training facility and apparatus to supply and maintain





- 48515 Medical Equipment. \$43,600 to purchase power patient loading system for ambulance (\$26,100), and advanced cardiac trainer module (\$17,500)
- 48710 Minor Office Equipment. \$14,890 2 computers (\$1,105 ea.), 4 monitors (\$245 ea.) per 5 year scheduled replacement plan, Bizhub copier/printer for Station 1 (\$6,700), and radio or communication equipment replacement for items that become damaged beyond repair (\$5,000).
- **48720 Minor Office Furniture. \$5,000** Additional office furniture for Station 1 (\$5,000).





- 48740 Minor Machines & Equipment. \$1,150 miscellaneous replacement of needed equipment.
- 48750 Minor Medical Equipment. \$11,800 AED (\$1,800), CO detectors for EMS bags (\$2,000), Rad 57 monitor and pediatric sensors (\$7,000), and misc. medical equipment that may become damaged during use (\$1,000).
- 48755 Minor Recreational Equipment. \$9,500 Fitness equipment for Ninilchik station; treadmill (\$3,500), elliptical (\$3,000), and stationary bike (\$3,000).





- 48760 Minor Fire Fighting Equipment. \$41,420 8 sets of new turnout gear, helmets, boots, gloves and other related PPE per 10 year replacement plan (\$35,860), VFA grant matching funds (\$560) and misc. minor fire equipment that may become damaged during use (\$5,000).
- 50444 Transfer to Capital Projects. \$295,000





## **FY22 Capital Projects**

• SCBA and Compressor/Cascade Replacement - \$459,000 for 40 SCBA's, 40 masks, 80 cylinders, 1 compressor/cascade fill station each for Anchor Point and Ninilchik stations. \$52,000 Homeland Security grant awarded for 1 compressor not yet received/appropriated.









## **FY22 Capital Projects**

• **Utility Vehicle Replacement - \$60,000** will replace Command 3 (Asst. Chief). Current command unit will become utility vehicle.







## **FY22 Capital Projects**

 Heart Monitor Replacement - \$142,000 to replace monitors no longer serviceable and to standardize Anchor Point and Ninilchik medic units. \$60,000 Code Blue grant awarded for this project but not yet received/appropriated.











**Questions?** 

