



**FIRE CHIEFS' ASSOCIATION  
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Subject Humboldt County Fire Safe Council

Humboldt County Board of Supervisors  
825 5<sup>th</sup> Street  
Eureka, CA 95501

Dear Members of the Board,

The Humboldt County Fire Chiefs' Association (HCFCA) would like to nominate Humboldt Bay Fire Chief Tim Citro for appointment to the Humboldt County Fire Safe Council (HCFSC). Chief Citro will replace Chief Sean Robertson, who has served on the HCFSC since November 2023.

In addition, the HCFCA nominates Chief Samantha Smith to replace Chief Dale Unea as Chief Citro's alternate, with the authority to vote in his absence. Chief Unea has served as an HCFSC alternate since his appointment in April 2021.

Our membership thanks Chief Robertson and Chief Unea for representing us well and for keeping our association engaged in the implementation of the Humboldt County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP).

Both Chief Citro and Chief Smith are highly qualified to represent local fire services in support of HCFSC's mission to:

- Serve as a forum for the implementation of the CWPP
- Share fire safety-related information
- Assess fire risk
- Promote community fire-safe planning and coordination
- Link fire prevention programs
- Support beneficial fire (including prescribed fire, cultural burning, and managed wildfire where appropriate)
- Support the fire service (including local volunteer fire departments and companies) and local Fire Safe Councils/Firewise Communities

Thank you for considering these nominations and for recognizing the contributions of our departing representatives.

Sincerely,

Chief Rus Brown, President

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