Letter of Understanding for
Interlocal Agreement for Fire Suppression and Emergency Medical Services

Martin County and the City of Stuart entered into an Interlocal Agreement for Fire Suppression and Emergency Medical Services (ILA) on _____ to provide automatic and mutual aid assistance within Martin County, and its contracted areas, and the City of Stuart, and its contracted areas. Martin County Fire Rescue (MCFR) and the City of Stuart Fire Rescue (SFR) departments provide Fire Suppression and Emergency Medical Services to their respective areas designated in the attached Primary Response Areas map. Special Operations and Aeromedical transport services are provided by MCFR throughout the county, including municipalities within its boundaries.

Dispatching

Martin County provides the 911 Communications Center (Dispatch) for both MCFR and SFR. Dispatch's Computer Assisted Dispatch (CAD) system utilizes Emergency Medical and Emergency Fire Dispatching for call prioritization, classification, unit assignments and prearrival instructions for 911 calls. Martin County will continue to use a recognized system for classifying calls and assigning units. Both parties agree to maintain department-specific response criteria (CAD determinants) for the system's call types, allowing Dispatch to properly select which units are needed for their respective jurisdictions. The response criteria will be updated as needed to keep the CAD current.

Jurisdictions

Areas closest to SFR fixed stations, including contracted areas, have been designated as Primary Response Areas for those fixed SFR stations. SFR units will be dispatched first within their Primary Response Areas when available. Subsequent calls for service in a SFR Station's Primary Response Area will utilize the closest unit response time based upon actual locations of appropriate available resources as identified by Fire Dispatch Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL-GPS). Periodically, based upon historical response time data and changes in resources, the Primary Response Areas shall be reviewed and possibly modified to ensure the areas are receiving the best Response Times possible. Response Time is measured from time of dispatch to time of arrival at the scene.

For the purposes of fire investigations and inspections, the geopolitical boundaries are to be observed for purposes of law enforcement actions and authority having jurisdiction (AHJ) responsibilities.

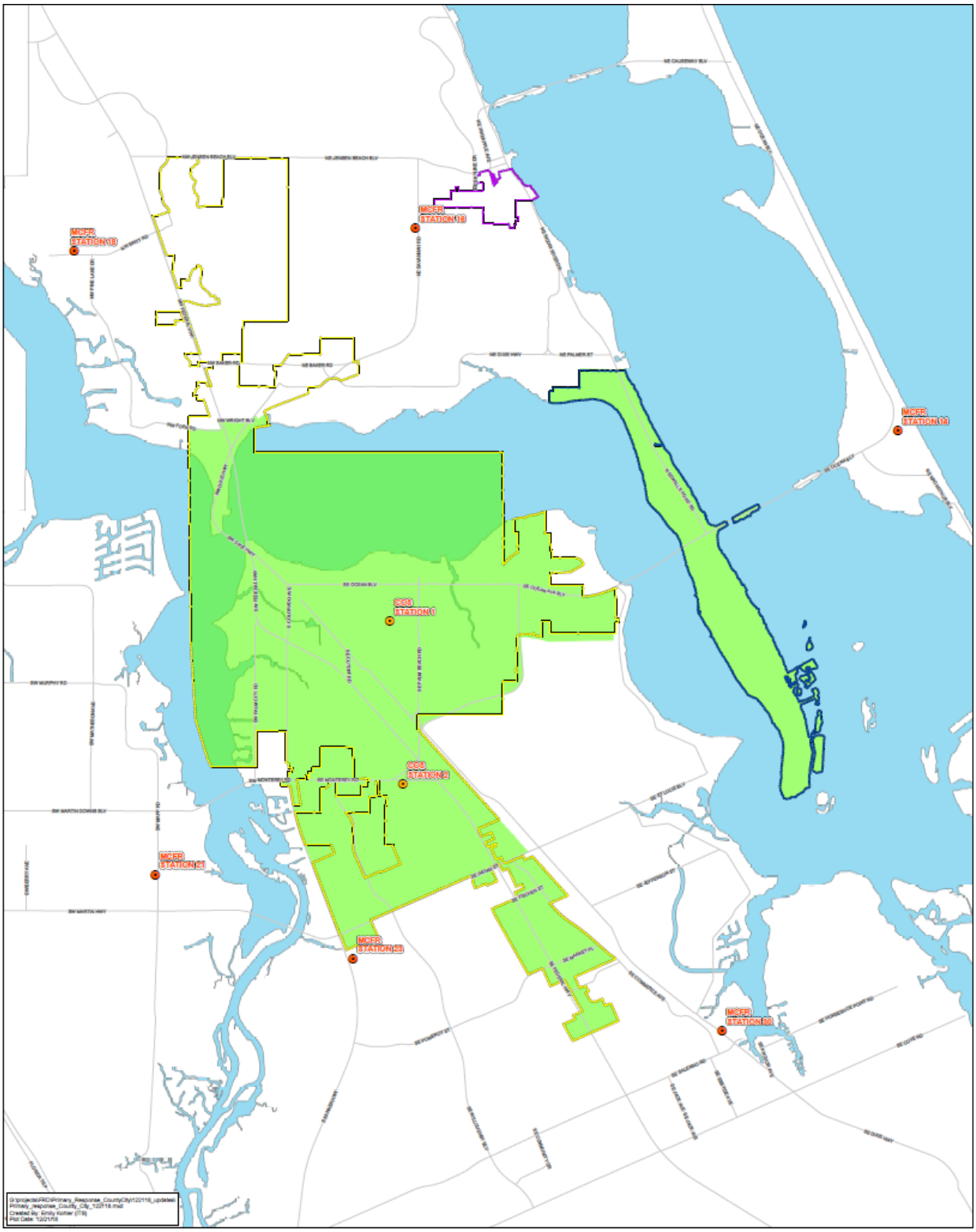
Assignments

Recognizing the urgency of 911 services, it is the intent of this Letter of Understanding to assign SFR's closest units to the location of an emergency within their Primary Response Area first to 911 calls. Closest unit response means the units that are closest to the location of the emergency from their fixed stations. If the closest fixed-station units are not available in their Primary Response Area, then the next closest appropriate unit within 6 minutes Response Time of the scene will be assigned. For the County's Primary Response Areas, Dispatch shall assign the closest unit, whether MCFR or SFR, to the location of the emergency. Response Time is calculated by the CAD using posted speed limits and the unit's GPS location.

MCFR will provide one unit at Jensen Beach High School (JBHS) home football games in 2019. The unit assigned to the JBHS home football games will continue to be available for emergency calls while at the JBHS football game. MCFR will also provide one unit with two fire rescue employees for JBHS graduation in May 2019. Martin County's provision of units at JBHS will be reevaluated at the end of 2019 with consideration given to MCFR unit and employee availability, MCFR's demand for services and future annexations by the City of Stuart.

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MARTIN COUNTY AND CITY OF STUART PRIMARY RESPONSE AREAS

Fire Station
- Martin County (MCFR)
- City of Stuart (COS)

Municipalities
- City of Stuart
- Ocean Breeze
- Sewall's Point

Primary Response Area
- City of Stuart Primary Response
- Martin County Primary Response

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