



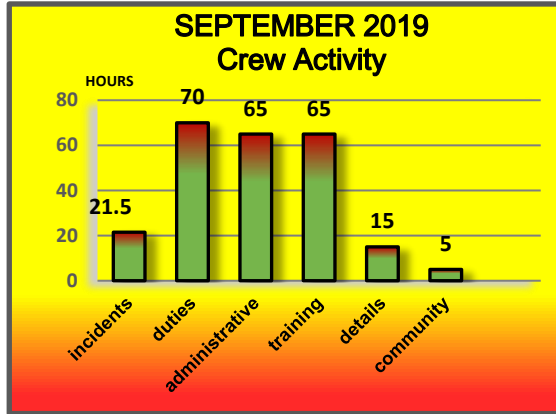
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 Fire & Rescue / Emergency Management

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**September Incidents: 35**

(September 2018 = 41)

- **EMS – 16**
  - Grady transports – 11
  - CHF D transports – 0
  - Patient Refusal -7
  - Air/Medivac – 0
  - Deaths – 0
  - Other – 0 (Grady cx)
- **Fire – 6**
  - Structure-residential – 4
  - Structure-commercial – 0
  - Structure-outbuilding – 0
  - Woods/Grass – 1
  - Alarm – 1
  - Smoke investigation – 0
  - Vehicle – 0
  - Sprinkler system – 0
  - Illegal burn – 0
  - Other - 0



AUTOMATIC aid .....	0
MUTUAL aid .....	3
2019 incidents to-date:	<b>416</b>
2018 to-date comparison:	<b>364</b>

- **Service – 6**
  - Trees down - 2
  - Wires down – 1
  - Lockout – 0
  - Invalid Assist – 3
  - Wellness check – 2
  - Water leak – 0
  - Gas leak – 0
  - Public Service – 0
  - Other – 0
- **Vehicle Accidents – 6**
  - Extrication – 0
- **HAZMAT – 0**
- **Rescue/Search – 1**
- **Other - 0**

**Fire & EMS Operations**

- Georgia Forestry has advised the “NO BURN BAN” will continue until further notification. Current drought conditions have created excessive amounts of fuel (dry vegetation). Grass fires can quickly spread into larger areas and involve woods and structures. A recent fire on Hall Rd required support from four south Fulton Fire Departments and Georgia Forestry. An unoccupied home (pictured right) was completely destroyed. CHF D provided pumper/tanker operations and personnel for the incident at Hall Rd.




**NO BURNING ALLOWED until notice from the Office of the Fire Chief.**



- “Trees down, wires down” incidents are common in Chattahoochee Hills. Fire, Police and Public Works departments work well with local power utility crews to quickly remove hazards and restore public services to citizens. Fast-moving storms generated by our current irregular weather patterns closed Campbellton-Redwine and Rivertown roads on two occasions during September.



•  **KNOX**<sup>®</sup> When seconds matter™ The “KnoxBox” international standard for fire department access is available to both businesses and private homeowners alike. Contact Chief Brett for more information about how to provide reliable emergency access to your business, home or properties.

- Developing an automatic-aid service agreement with the City of South Fulton remains a priority. ISO (International Standards Organization - Insurance Services) has been requested to provide interpretations of boundary, resource and service agreement models.

## Office of the Fire Chief

### What is this contraption, and why is it necessary?



This is a “flush unit” installed by Atlanta Watershed Management AWM). Flush units may operate up to ten times daily evacuating sediment, releasing excessive “downstream” water pressure, flushing bio-film to keep water fresher, and testing system volume. These units help AWM better serve its customers by being compliant with “Georgia Rules for Safe Drinking Water,” (OCGA 391-3-5 promulgated under the *Georgia Safe Drinking Water Act*). CHFD is attempting to make various improvements in the placement of flush units so “system” water doesn’t negatively impact citizens. Our relationship with AWM has vastly improved leading to good changes and the replacement of many inoperable fire hydrants. “Cudos” to AWM for being so responsive to our requests.

Inspection and Fire/EMS support of various public events in Chattahoochee Hills will take place in October. These events following have been pre-planned with hosts and require on-site inspections:

1. *Alchemy* (Bouckaert Farms, OCT 3)
2. *Cochran Mill Trail Race* (Cochran Mill Park, OCT 12)
3. *Serenbe Trail Race* (Serenbe properties, OCT 19)
4. *Ray Day* (Serenbe properties, OCT 20)

Other events/hosts demonstrating potential for adverse effect on public or citizen well-being have been engaged with good results, also.



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## What does **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT** mean for you?

Just like insurance no one thinks much about “Emergency Management” until disaster strikes. So, CHEMA tries to do the thinking for you ... ahead of time.

CHEMA organizes Public Safety, City resources and external partners into pre-plans to support you before, during and after impactful events. Here are a few advantages at-the-ready ...


- Emergency shelter operations
- Community Emergency Response Team
- Coordinated response to natural disasters
- Immediate requests from State and “partners” for “external” resources
- Recovery of City expenses for disaster response
- Medical support during biological events (ie Pandemic Flu)
- Weather bulletins/alerts
- Road condition reporting




CHEMA is already planning with Atlanta-Fulton County Emergency Management, Fulton County Board of Health, Georgia Emergency Management and Homeland Security to participate in a state-wide “medications stockpile/distribution” training event in March 2020 (to test our capability to support a large-scale, biological incident.

**When thunderstorms loom, we’re looking ... when freezing temps threaten, we’re checking ...  
When disaster strikes, we’re rolling ... when potential exists, we’re planning ...**

**CHEMA is always working for you!**

 **CodeRED** is CHEMA’s means for local alerting for inclement weather and other emergency notifications... it’s a FREE service to anyone. Visit the City website or City Hall for registration documents.

 **WeatherBug** is a localized “weather station” service mounted atop CHFD Fire Station 51 ... anyone can access real-time weather radar and data for Chattahoochee Hills by downloading the WeatherBug app on their mobile phone or visiting the City’s website or go to [www.weatherbug.com](http://www.weatherbug.com) (choose *Chattahoochee Hills*)