



In July, 2016, Southeast Weld Fire Protection District began the process to reduce the Insurance Services Office (ISO) Fire Suppression Rating Schedule. ISO analyzes the relevant data and assigns a Public Protection Classification (PPC) – a number from 1 to 10. Class 1 represents an exemplary fire suppression program, and a Class 10 indicates that the area's fire suppression program does not meet ISO's minimum criteria.

Public Protection Classification is dependent on several factors, including: **Receiving and Handling Fire Alarms (911 services) 10%, Fire Department 50%, and Water Supply 40%**. There are several variables in the grading system and our Fire District has made huge strides in changing our (PPC), including, staffing, certified training for the personnel and updating equipment.

**July 1, 2012** the ratings were as follows:

- Town of Keenesburg **Class 4 (previous rating 7)**;
- Properties within 5 road miles of any of our stations is a **Class 6 (previous rating 9)**

**\*\*EFFECTIVE FEBRUARY 1, 2017\*\*** the ratings are as follows:

- Town of Keenesburg **Class 2 (previous rating 4)**;
- Properties within 5 road miles of any of our stations is a **Class 4 (previous rating 6)**

According to these statistics, we have made huge gains; which in turn, will save many of the taxpayers' money in annual insurance premiums.

Training for the District has immensely changed. The requirements for career staff firefighters are include: maintaining certifications in Firefighter II, Hazardous Materials Operations, and Emergency Medical Technician with I.V certification, Driver-Operator Pumper, and Wildland Red Card. The Officers are required to maintain Fire Officer I and Fire Officer II certifications in addition to the firefighters certifications. Many members of our department are above the minimum certifications required. Additionally, volunteer and reserve firefighters maintain the same certifications as the staff firefighters.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the foregoing, please contact Station 1.

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