

Sonoita-Elgin Fire District

Fire Chief

Board Update March 2025



2024-2026 Strategic Plan

- An updated tracking document was created
- The Implementation Team met on March 10th.
- The Cultural Audit was released to all members on March 7th.





Administration/Budget

- Initial planning for FY25/26 has begun. Priorities will be driven by the Strategic Plan and the preliminary list has been given to JVG
- All SEFD members are being issued department emails and Teams accounts to facilitate more efficient and frequent communication
- Community Phone system is fully operational
- We are researching security/access/id systems and hope to have one identified by April

PSPRS Local Board

- The Local Board met last month and will meet again in the spring or as needed



Operations

- New Recruits
 - No new recruits started the process in February
 - Three new firefighters are expected to start this week-
 - FF/EMT Marvin Anderson
 - FF/EMT Estevan Reynosa
 - FF/PM Michael Terzich
- Captain Bowman and FF Jackson completed a certified ISO class last week. All of our officers and some acting captains have now had formal incident safety training



Operations

- Apparatus
 - E823 is in Tucson for repairs, all other apparatus are in service
- District Growth/Development
 - Planned subdivisions
 - Papago Springs (removed commercial element)
 - AZ 82
 - Proposed dude ranch
 - Proposed Wineries
 - Brigand
- Neighboring Agency News/Developments
- Firewise and Fuels Mitigation News and Updates

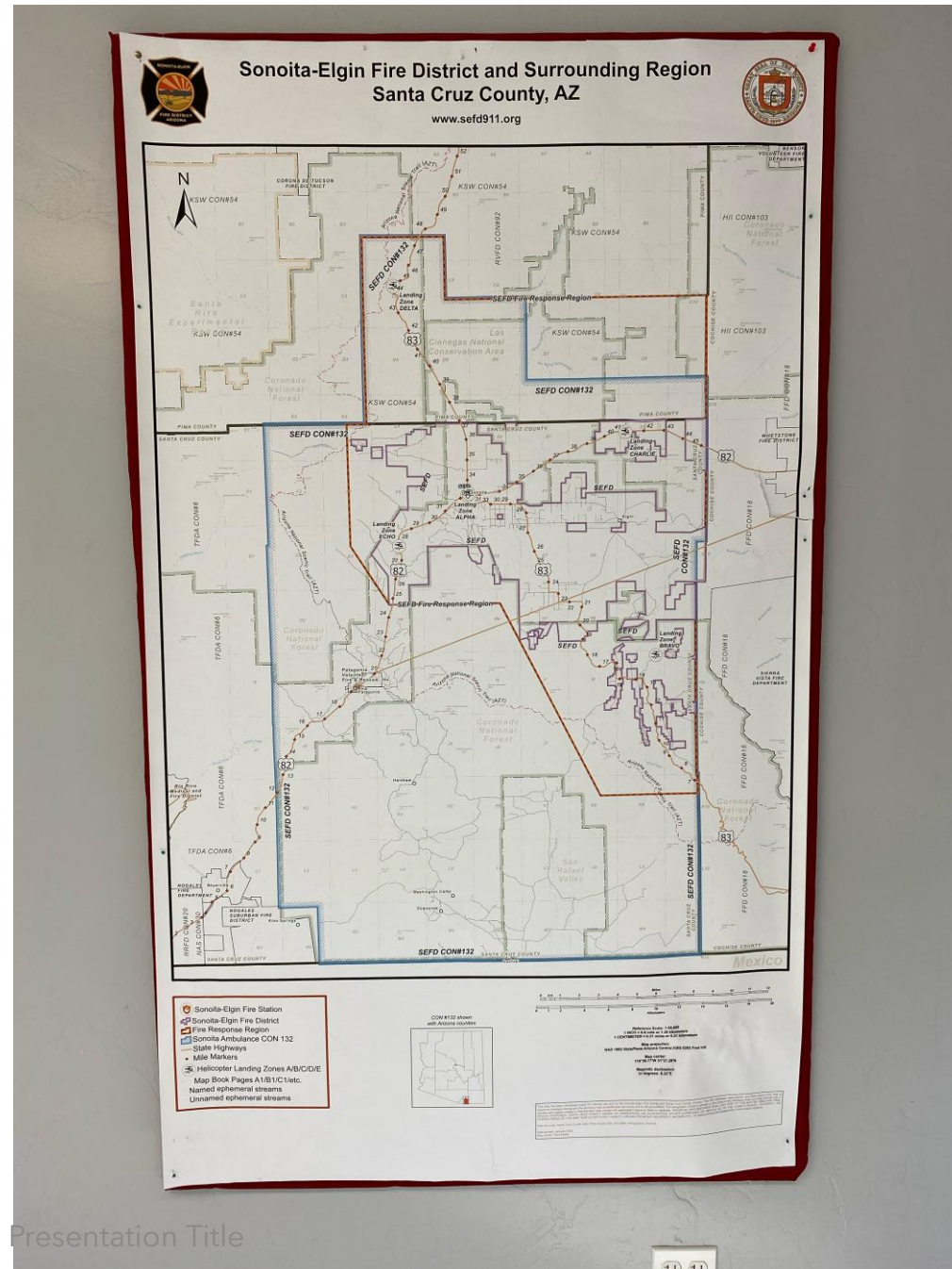


SEFD Response Map

Purple- District (approx.
95sq miles)

Orange- Fire Response
Area (approx. 350sq miles)

Blue- CON (approx. 725sq
miles)



Incidents by Service Type

Fire- 2

Rescue & EMS- 28

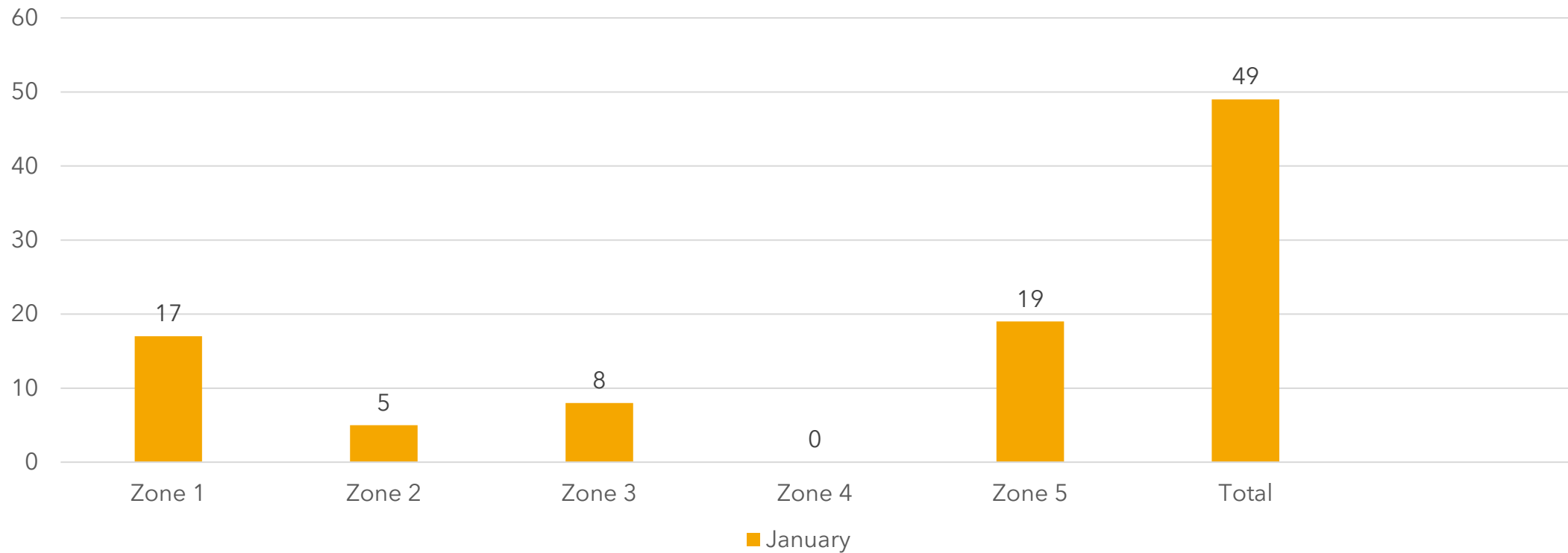
Service- 13

Good Intent- 5

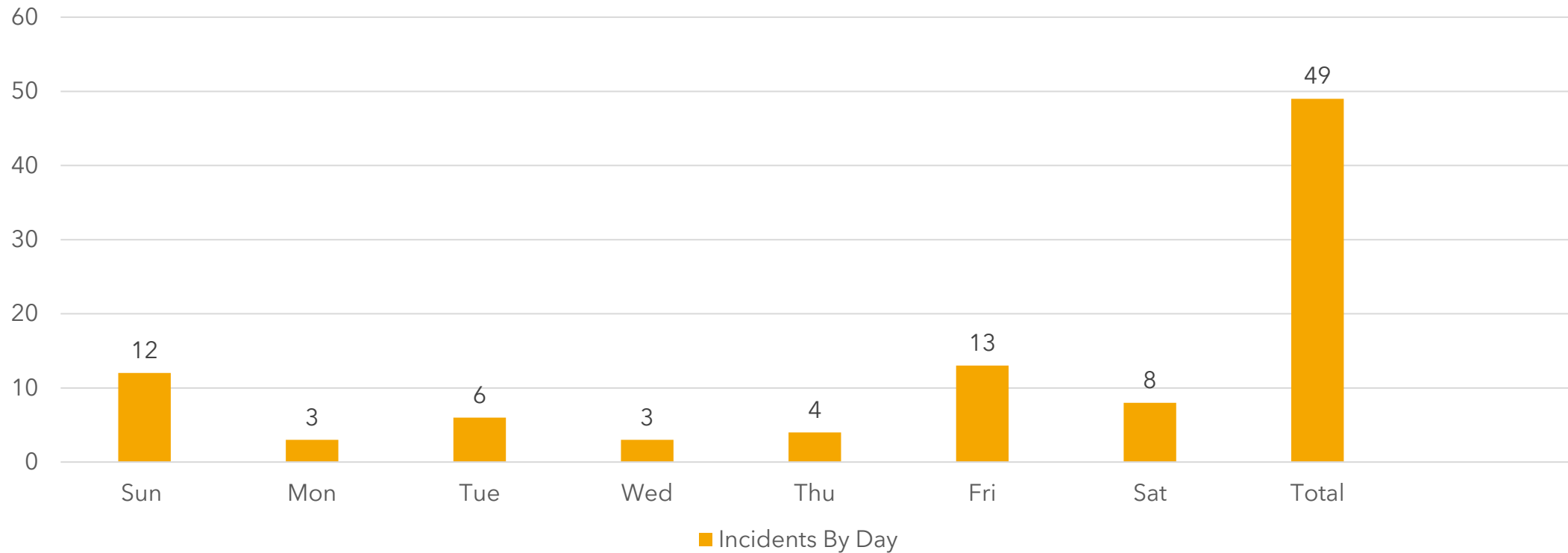
False Alarm & False Call- 1



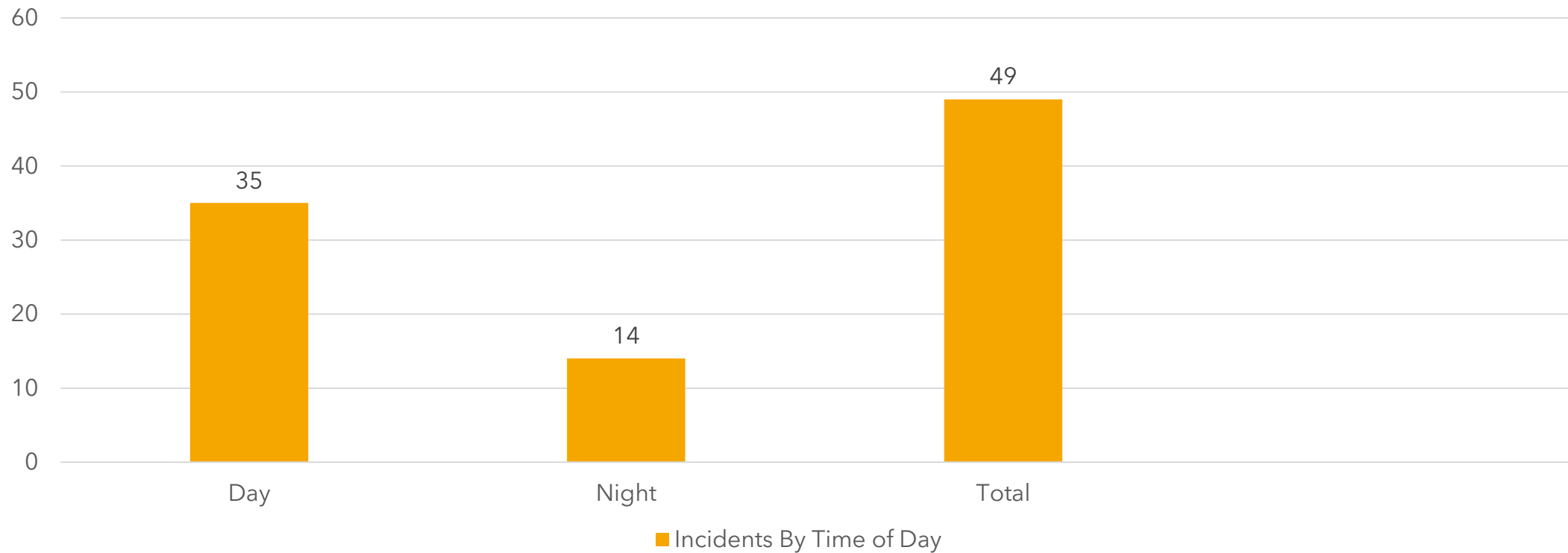
Incident Count By Zone



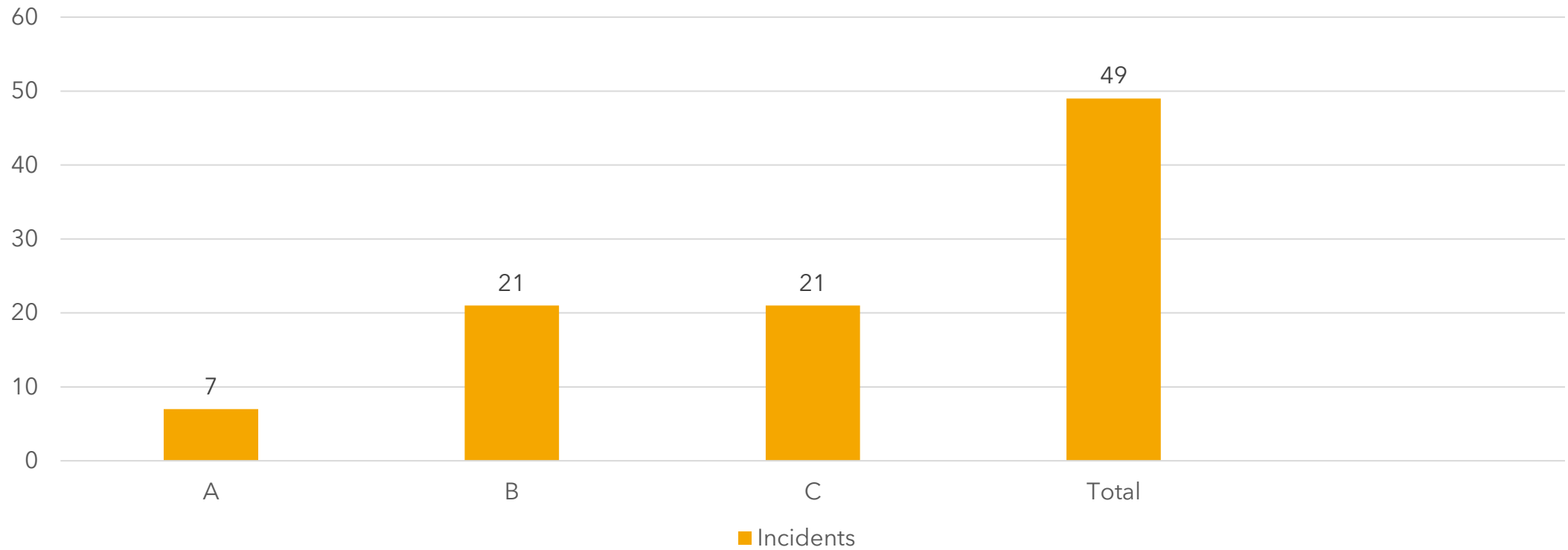
Incident Count By Day



Incident Count By Time



Incident Count By Shift



Incidents 2024 v 2025

2024	Incidents Total	2025	Incidents Total
January	59	January	47
February	46	February	49
March	62	March	
April	51	April	
May	60	May	
June	52	June	
July	71	July	
August	60	August	
September	63	September	
October	84	October	
November	67	November	
December	67	December	

Certificate of Necessity (CON)

- M832 will be inspected this month
- We received an additional 12-month waiver on GPS requirement under HB2609



Legislative Update

House

- HB2197- CON Repeal would deregulate parts of the CON statute (AFDA oppose)
- HB2268- Fire Districts Homeowner Policies would redirect funding to insurance companies (AFDA oppose)
- HB2384- Fire Insurance: wildfire risk modeling would establish requirements for fire insurance policies for populations less than 150k (AFDA neutral)
- HB2457- Fire Districts formation, would provide an alternative method for district formation (AFDA oppose)
- HB2942- Firefighter Bill of Rights, would codify conduct process statewide (AFDA TBD)

Senate

- SB1149- Appropriation fire incident management grants, allocation from general fund to DOA for grants (AFDA neutral)
- SB1285- Appropriation wildfire response and readiness allocations money from general fund to DFFM for grants to cooperators (AFDA support)
- SB1345- Ambulance: response times; rates defines primary CON responsibility and response (AFDA Oppose)

Notes

Questions?

