



**Nevada
Irrigation
District**

Water Supply for Fighting Fires from the Air

We are proud to say we supply the water from the Loma Rica Water Treatment Plant to the Grass Valley Air Attack Base, located at the Nevada County Airport.

The water is used to mix retardant dropped by tankers dispatched to fight wildfires regionally and around the state.



This year to date we've supplied 610,000 gallons of water to the air attack base free of charge as part of its community firefighting support. Last year NID contributed 1.5 million gallons. For comparison, it takes 660,430 gallons to fill an Olympic-sized swimming pool.

In previous years, NID has contributed the following amounts of water to the air attack base:

2018 – 1,574,540 gallons
2017 – 994,840 gallons
2016 – 714,000 gallons
2015 – 871,420 gallons
2014 – 878,900 gallons

To assist, NID uses a crucial pump station to boost water pressure so the base will have ample and timely supplies to mix its fire retardant properly.

NID Fire Preparedness

Learn more about ways NID is safeguarding our community, click [HERE](#).