


LOS ANGELES  FIRE DEPARTMENT

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BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FILE NO. 23-088R

TO: Board of Fire Commissioners
FROM:  Kristin M. Crowley, Fire Chief
SUBJECT: HELICOPTER PILOT CERTIFICATIONS

FINAL ACTION: Approved Approved w/Corrections Withdrawn
 Denied Received & Filed Other

SUMMARY

Attached for the Board of Fire Commissioners review is the spreadsheet detailing the Fire Helicopter Pilots current certifications.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board:
Receive and file.

DISCUSSION

The LAFD Fire Helicopter Pilots are required to maintain:

- FAA Commercial Rotorcraft Pilots license
- FAA Certified Flight Instructor (CFI) rating
- FAA second class medical

The majority of the Pilots assigned to the Air Operations Section far exceed the LAFD's minimum requirements and in addition hold the following FAA licenses:

- Airline Transportation Pilot (ATP) license
- Instrument license
- Certified Flight Instrument Instructor (CFII) license

Of note, the FAA's ATP license and CFI ratings are the highest certification that the FAA issues. LAFD Pilots are also held to ATP standards annually during their mandated FAA Instrument Pilot Check Rides.

The attached document provides a comprehensive spreadsheet that details each of the Pilots certifications and flight hours. This spreadsheet is contained in the Department of Health Services (DHS) form 418.1, which the LAFD is required to submit to DHS annually in accordance with the Air Ambulance provider audit.

Board report prepared by Charles R. Combs, Battalion Chief, Air Operations Section.

Attachment

CURRENT LAFD PILOT LICENSE AND FLIGHT MEDICAL STATUS

NAME	FAA MEDICAL CERT. ISSUE EXP DATE	FAA PILOT CERT. CURRENTLY HELD	FAA PILOT RATINGS CURRENTLY HELD	PILOT IN COMMAND (PIC) TOTAL HOURS	PIC TOTAL HOURS LAST 12 MONTHS
Cherif Amin	09/12/2024	Airline Transport Pilot	1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 7	3366	230
Jorge Arevalo	11/14/2023	Airline Transport Pilot	1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 7	4532	173
Anthony Cecola	07/19/2024	Airline Transport Pilot	1A, 2A, 3A, 6A, 7	2398	481
Daniel Child	03/01/2024	Airline Transport Pilot	1A, 2A, 3A, 6A, 7	4058	200
Scot Davison	09/18/2024	Airline Transport Pilot	1A, 2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 6B, 7	5675	175
Dave Habib	11/30/2023	Airline Transport Pilot	1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 7	2429	373
Jonith Johnson	08/15/2024	Airline Transport Pilot	1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A, 6A, 6B, 7	2188	306
Brandon Prince	02/15/2024	Airline Transport Pilot	1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 6A, 7	2400	124
John Romero	06/27/2024	Commercial Pilot	2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 7	2911	111
Brent Ruff	12/14/2023	Airline Transport Pilot	1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A, 6A, 6B, 7	4670	184
Joel Smith	04/25/2024	Airline Transport Pilot	1A, 2A, 3A, 4A, 5A, 6A, 7	1973	181
Dennis Ward	12/22/2023	Commercial Pilot	2A, 3A, 5A, 6A, 7	3850	100
Rickey Wheeler	09/01/2024	Airline Transport Pilot	1A, 2A, 2B, 2C, 3A, 6A, 6B, 6C, 7	9570	46

LEGEND

1A = Airline Transport Pilot-Rotorcraft
 1B = Airline Transport Pilot Single Engine Land
 1C = Airline Transport Pilot Multi Engine Land

2A = Commercial Rotorcraft
 2B = Commercial Single Engine Land
 2C = Commercial Multi Engine Land

3A = Certified Flight Instructor Rotorcraft
 3B = Certified Flight Instructor Single Engine Land
 3C = Certified Flight Instructor Multi Engine Land

4A = Certified Flight Instructor Instrument Rotorcraft
 4B = Certified Flight Instructor Instrument Single Engine Land
 4C = Certified Flight Instructor Instrument Multi Engine Land

5A = Private Pilot Single Engine Land
 5B = Private Pilot Multi Engine Land

6A = Instrument Rotorcraft
 6B = Instrument Single Engine Land
 6C = Instrument Multi Engine Land

7 = Type Rated AW139