
Berkeley Heights F.D. 1st Alarm- Auto Aid - Temp Change

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Date: Wed 6/3/2026 2:25 PM

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Gareth

Good afternoon, Chatham Twp's Ladder is OOS for a week for PM.

Replace the Chatham Twp Ladder with a Warren Ladder on the 1st alarm/auto aid

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Alarm Plan, 1 & 2 Ghost Pony Rd, Berkeley Heights

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Date Mon 5/5/2025 3:57 PM

To Gareth Williams <gareth.williams@UCNJPS.org>; wgraulich@ucnj.org <wgraulich@ucnj.org>

1 and 2 Ghost Pony Rd are single-family dwellings. The nearest fire hydrant is at Diamond Hill Rd and McMane Ave.

1st Alarm: [REDACTED]

2nd Alarm: [REDACTED]

3rd Alarm and higher: Union County Fire Mutual Aid plan.

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Re: Berkeley Heights Fire Dept. Alarm Plan for Connell Complex

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Date: Thu 3/27/2025 3:49 PM

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Gareth

Good afternoon, has there been any progress with the above alarm plan?

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On Mon, Nov 18, 2024 at 4:10 PM Jim Hopkins <jhopkins@berkeleyheightsfire.com> wrote:

Thank you! I don't know if it will help but this would specifically be under the current procedure that creates the automatic aid for reports of smoke and or fire inside a building, and it specifies the second alarm, which would be at the incident commander's discretion.

On Mon, Nov 18, 2024 at 3:48 PM Gareth Williams <gareth.williams@ucnjps.org> wrote:

Hi Chief, I am going to have to get together with Walter and see how we can accommodate these changes. We will most likely be sending you a list of call natures that this will apply to. This change is something that will take some significant time to configure the CAD accordingly. Once we have all the necessary information we can target sometime late first or early second quarter 2025 to implement. We have several major projects going on simultaneously and we physically do not have the bandwidth to make this happen sooner.

Will be in touch.

Gareth.



Gareth Williams

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Book time to meet with me

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Subject: Berkeley Heights Fire Dept. Alarm Plan for Connell Complex

Good morning

I would like to modify the alarm plan for the Connell Complex 25, 50, 100, 200, 250, 300, 400, and 500

Our local alarm plan can handle the first and second alarms. Third and above will be the Union County fire mutual aid plan. This is being changed so departments that are closer or have a direct line of travel can arrive sooner.

First Alarm: [REDACTED]

Second Alarm: [REDACTED]

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