

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
FOR EXCHANGE OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES BETWEEN THE
CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT**

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is authorized by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and the Board of Directors of the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District in the Agreement for Exchange of Fire Protection and Rescue Services and shall become effective and operational on October 7, 2025, and continue through June 30, 2030.

The purpose of this MOU is to outline the procedures for carrying out an automatic aid/initial action response by the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County, hereinafter referred to as the "CFPD," and the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District, hereinafter referred to as the "SBCFPD." This MOU is a guide for day-to-day operations and is not intended to replace or adjust any Uniform Mutual Assistance Agreement which may be in effect.

AMOUNT AND TYPE OF ASSISTANCE

Upon receipt of an alarm, the jurisdictional agency will dispatch its nearest available and/or appropriate designated emergency response to that alarm, then request the agreed-upon assistance from the assisting agency as described below. The exchange of fire protection and emergency medical services (EMS) described below is intended to provide for the dispatch of the nearest respective CFPD and SBCFPD fire agency resource to assist regular jurisdictional units on fire, emergency medical, and brush incidents occurring in the areas described below and depicted on the attached maps.

I. FIRE AND EMS RESPONSE

A. RESPONSE BY SBCFPD TO CFPD

1. The closest, most appropriate SBCFPD resource, if available, will respond on first alarm fire assignments and as the second due paramedic assessment unit on EMS responses into CFPD Engine 62's jurisdiction as detailed on:

Exhibit 1

2. The closest, most appropriate SBCFPD resource, if available, will respond on first alarm fire assignments into CFPD Engine 62's jurisdiction as detailed on:

Exhibit 2

B. RESPONSE BY CFPD TO SBCFPD

1. The closest, most appropriate CFPD resource, if available, will respond on first alarm fire assignments and as the second due paramedic assessment unit on

EMS responses into SBCFPD Medic Engine 12's jurisdiction as detailed on:

Exhibit 1

2. The closest, most appropriate CFPD resource, if available, will respond on first alarm fire assignments into SBCFPD Engine 163's jurisdiction as detailed on:

Exhibit 2

3. The closest, most appropriate CFPD resource, if available, will respond to rear portion of two properties accessed through 1616 and 1650 Monte Vista Avenue from the City of Claremont:

Exhibit 3

II. FREEWAY RESPONSE – ALL INCIDENTS

- A. The closest, most appropriate SBCFPD resource, if available, will respond westbound on State Route 210 from Mountain Ave on-ramp to Baseline Rd off-ramp as detailed on:

Exhibit 4

- B. The closest, most appropriate CFPD resource, if available, will respond eastbound on State Route 210 from Baseline Rd on-ramp to Mountain Ave off-ramp as detailed on:

Exhibit 4

III. WILDLAND RESPONSE - INITIAL ACTION

- A. SBCFPD will respond with a First Alarm Brush Response (see Appendix 1) for threats to people, property, and infrastructure within the mutual threat areas within the Angeles National Forest as detailed on:

Exhibit 1

- B. CFPD will respond with a First Alarm Brush Response (see Appendix 1) for threats to people, property, and infrastructure within the mutual threat areas within the Angeles National Forest as detailed on:

Exhibit 1

- C. When a Fire is reported within this area, the dispatch center receiving the report will notify partnered dispatch centers of a reported wildland fire. Multiple agencies may be responding into this area at the same time. The location of the fire will be unknown until the arrival of ground or air resources. When jurisdiction is determined, a unified ordering point shall be established and responding resources shall come

together and work within one Incident Command System command structure.

METHODS OF DISPATCH

Upon receipt of an alarm in any automatic aid/initial action area, the dispatch center receiving the alarm shall dispatch the proper assignment and immediately notify the other jurisdiction by direct telephone line and request the agreed-upon assistance from their respective agency to the incident. All requests for aid shall be via the jurisdictional dispatch center. Persons assigned as dispatch personnel from both agencies are authorized to send and receive such requests.

LIMITATIONS

If the agreed-upon automatic aid/initial action response from either agency is not available or either agency's resources are temporarily depleted, the assisting agency need not respond. Both agencies will cooperate at the time of dispatch to utilize the most appropriate alternative.

COMMUNICATIONS

1. TELEPHONES

“Direct Connect” telephone service shall be established by each agency between Communications Centers.

2. RADIOS

The responding agency resources will communicate on the frequencies assigned by the agency having jurisdiction (AHJ) or unified ordering point (UOP) once established.

3. WILDLAND RESPONSE COMMUNICATIONS

CFPD and SBCFPD agree to utilize the most current Very High Frequency (VHF) frequencies agreed upon annually by both agencies for wildland incident command and tactical frequencies.

TRAINING

Joint training exercises are to be carried out periodically under the direction of the Fire Chiefs or their designees for the purpose of maintaining efficient interagency coordination. The joint training exercises shall be coordinated and observed by the respective Agency Training Officers.

INCIDENT COMMAND

The senior officer of the first arriving unit shall take necessary action dictated by the situation. Overall command of the incident will be assumed by the jurisdictional agency upon its arrival at the scene. The Incident Commander will coordinate resources from the aiding agency through a Unified Command or Agency Representative. The resources of the aiding agency will be released from the incident by the jurisdictional agency as soon as practical.

FIRE AND EMS INCIDENT REPORTING

Each agency shall be responsible for obtaining needed information to complete fire and EMS reports for incidents within their respective jurisdiction. Assisting units shall cooperate with the jurisdictional units to provide copies of reports and appropriate information for completion of the fire and EMS reports. Paramedic units will be responsible for providing a copy of EMS reports to the respective jurisdictional station for report completion.

SBCFPD Fax – (909) 949-9702, Station 12 San Antonio Heights
(909) 931-4344, Station 164 Upland

CFPD Fax – (909) 624-3931, Station 62 Claremont

REVISIONS

This MOU may be revised or amended at any time by mutual agreement of the Fire Chief of the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County and the Fire Chief of the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District, or it may be terminated by either party upon giving 30 days written notice to the other party.

It is agreed that substantial reductions of fire protection services by either agency shall be cause for reconsideration of this Agreement.

Date

ANTHONY C. MARRONE, FIRE CHIEF
CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF
LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Date

DAWN ROWE, CHAIR
SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT

APPENDIX 1

FIRST ALARM BRUSH ASSIGNMENT

SBCFPD to CFPD (High Dispatch Level)

- 1 Battalion Chief
- 3 Engines Type 3
- 2 Engines Type 1
- 1 Water Tender
- 1 Hand Crew (when staffed)
- 1 Crew Superintendent

CFPD to SBCFPD

- 2 Battalion Chiefs
- 7 Engines (Type 1)
- 1 Water Tender
- 4 Hand Crews (2 at night)
- 3 Crew Superintendents
- 1 Patrol (Type 6 Engine)
- 1 Paramedic Squad
- 3 Helicopters (1 at night)
- 1 Helicopter Coordinator (when staffed)

APPENDIX 2

Radio Exchange Procedure:

Background: CFPD units carry multi-band radios to communicate with dispatch and on command and tactical channels. CFPD typically operates in the UHF and VHF frequency ranges. SBCFPD units utilize multi-band radios for command, dispatch and tactical purposes during structure fires, EMS, and freeway responses. SBCFPD typically operates in the 800 Mhz frequency range. SBCFPD units utilize a second VHF (Bendix-King) radio during interagency wildfire responses.

Problem: CFPD multi-band radios do not have the required programming to communicate with the SBCFPD 800 Mhz trunked system.

Purpose of this Procedure: To enhance interoperability between SBCFPD and CFPD during structure fires, emergency medical calls, and freeway responses interagency wildfire incidents will continue to operate strictly on the VHF radio system in the LA/BERDU and other mutual threat response plans.

- 1) CFPD Incidents
 - a. CFPD Dispatch:
 - i. Provide communication plan to SBCFPD Dispatch
 - b. CFPD Unit Actions (Standard Operations)
 - i. Dispatch: CFPD D-3 (UHF)
 - ii. Command: Structure (UHF), Wildland (VHF) *Channel assigned at dispatch
 - iii. Tactical/On-Scene: Structure (UHF), Wildland (VHF) *Channel assigned at dispatch
 - c. SBCFPD Unit Actions
 - i. Dispatch: CFPD D-3 (UHF)
 - ii. Command: Structure (UHF), Wildland (VHF) *Channel assigned at dispatch
 - iii. Tactical/On-Scene: Structure (UHF), Wildland (VHF) *Channel assigned at dispatch
- 2) SBCFPD Incident
 - a. Authority Dispatch:
 - i. Provide communication plan to CFPD Dispatch
 - b. SBCFPD Unit Actions (Standard Operations)
 - i. Dispatch/Command: SBCFPD 800 Mhz Radio (2-CMD-2)
 - ii. Tactical/On-Scene: SBCFPD 800 Mhz Radio (2-TAC-2)
 - c. CFPD Unit Actions
 - i. Dispatch/Command: SBCFPD 800 Mhz Radio (2-CMD-2) (Loaner radio from SBCFPD)
 - ii. Tactical/On-Scene: SBCFPD 800 Mhz Radio (2-TAC-2) (Loaner radio from SBCFPD or use SBCFPD-V1R tone 7, VHF patched to 2-TAC-2)

- 3) Transfer of SBCFPD Radios to CFPD:
- a. The following CFPD Units will be issued an 800 MHz SBCFPD Radio: (Total of 7 SBCFPD 800 MHz Radios)
 - i. CFPD Battalion Chief: BC2
 - ii. CFPD Engines: E62, E101, E102
 - iii. CFPD Patrols: P62
 - iv. CFPD Medic/Squads: S101
 - v. CFPD Trucks: Q64
 - b. Seven (7) SBCFPD Portable Radios will be supplied by SBCFPD. Each radio shall also include:
 - (1) Antenna
 - c. Tracking:
 - i. SBCFPD Division 1 will track the loaned SBCFPD radio serial numbers and asset numbers in their inventory control system.
 - ii. SBCFPD Division 1 will track all CFPD UHF radios that are loaned to SBCFPD, including CFPD assigned Asset Number.
 - d. Losses, Damage, Repairs and Replacement:
 - i. Radios loaned to CFPD by SBCFPD are Motorola XTS5000 portable radios.
 - ii. In the event that a radio is damaged, it will be returned to SBCFPD Division 1 for repair, and the appropriate course of action can then be taken as required, based on agency policy.
 - iii. In the event that a radio is lost or stolen, CFPD will immediately notify SBCFPD of the loss so that the radio may be disabled, and the appropriate course of action can then be taken as required, based on agency policy.