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FIRE DISTRICT ANNOUNCES PROMOTIONS

RANCHO SANTA FE, Calif. — The Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District (RSFFPD) is pleased to announce the promotion of 12 individuals within the department, effective January 14, 2006. The promotions are as follows:

Battalion Chief: Fred Cox, Mike Gibbs, and Gary Snavely

Battalion/Training Chief: Jim Sturtevant

Captain: Troy Elliott, Chris Galindo, Mike Shore, and Jim Tenger

Engineer: Ray Ligtenberg, David McQuead, Brian Slattery, and Aaron Wos

A promotion ceremony is scheduled for Wednesday, January 11, 2006, at 4:00 p.m. at Rancho Santa Fe Fire Station 1, 16936 El Fuego, Rancho Santa Fe.

The promotions come as the result of a district-wide reorganization as outlined in the newly developed strategic plan. The plan calls for the implementation of battalion chiefs, a newly formed management position. The battalion chiefs will provide continuous on-duty coverage and supervision while performing administrative, planning, and operation duties.

Following the internal promotions to battalion chief, further promotions were necessary to fill the resulting vacancies. In addition, four firefighter/paramedics will be hired to fill the remaining vacancies. Altogether, this represents the largest number of promotions and hirings at one time for RSFFPD. Candidates for each of the open positions endured a rigorous testing and interview process. The new firefighters/paramedics will also go through an intense training academy.

The mission of the Rancho Santa Fe Fire Protection District is to serve the public through the protection of life, environment, and property from fire and other natural and human caused emergencies. Formed in 1946, the Fire District now spans approximately 42-square miles and protects over 18,000 citizens. The Fire District currently operates out of four full-time fire stations and serves the communities within and surrounding Rancho Santa Fe and 4S-Ranch.

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