



# Mosquito Fire Protection District

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### CHRIS BAKER SELECTED AS FIRE CAPTAIN - RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION COORDINATOR

**Placerville, CA** – Chris Baker of Northern California selected as Fire Captain, Recruitment and Retention Coordinator for the Mosquito Fire Protection District. The District is managing a FEMA-SAFER grant for the recruitment and retention of volunteer firefighters.

Chris Baker has over fifteen years of experience in volunteer, combination, and career fire departments across California. His previous experience includes operational, training, and public information positions in both wildland and structural fire service organizations. Chris attended graduate level studies in Emergency Services Administration at California State University, Long Beach. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree with a concentration in Cultural Anthropology at Pacific Lutheran University in ('2002) and an Associate of Science degree in Fire Service Command, Company Officer at Shasta College in ('2010). Chris is a California State Fire Training certified Fire Officer, Driver-Operator, Fire Instructor, and Lead Fire Fighter 1 & 2 Certification Evaluator. He has six years of experience as a Fire Science Instructor in the California Community Colleges System.

Chris is a volunteer advocate, Region IX advocate manager (Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada) for the Everyone Goes Home Program® through the National Fallen Firefighters Foundation. He previously served as a Director and Public Information Officer of the National Fire Heritage Center located in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Chris is certified as a health and safety officer (HSO) through the Pro Board and holds a graduate grade (GIFireE) membership through the Institution of Fire Engineers. He has a passion for community risk reduction, public safety education, and firefighter health and safety.

According to Fire Chief Jack Rosevear, “Fire Captain Chris Baker will be pivotal in the care and growth of our volunteer program. We are fortunate to have him on board. Captain Baker will also be serving as the Public Information Officer for the Mosquito Fire Protection District.”

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