



River Delta Fire Protection District

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News Release – River Delta Fire Protection District

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Subject: New EMS Chief Officer

The River Delta Fire District has developed a new EMS Chief Officer position within the Fire District. This new position will add to an already deep bench of talented command staff members within the organization. The EMS Officer position will support the River Delta Fire District as we strive to provide the best service possible for our residents and visitors.

We are pleased to announce that Pam Dodson has been brought on board to fill the position as EMS Chief for the River Delta Fire District.

Pam brings 30 years of distinguished public safety experience. In her 30-year tenure as Prehospital Care Coordinator for the Contra Costa County EMS Agency, Pam developed the Contra Costa County HeartSafe Community program, one of the many hallmarks of her career. Pam was also involved in implementing the Public Safety Defibrillation program, countywide Emergency Medical Dispatch and paramedic services into several fire agencies. With a passion for changing the culture through community education and education of our youth, Pam's goal is to make it "normal" to step up and do CPR when someone collapses from sudden cardiac arrest.

Pam graduated from the California State University, Los Angeles with a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing with a specialty in Critical Care. Prior to joining EMS, she worked as a Registered Nurse in critical care units, emergency departments and medical helicopters. Pam has served as an American Heart Association CPR Instructor since 1979, she remains active as both a CPR and Advanced Cardiac Life Support instructor.

Living in Benicia, California, she enjoys spending time with her two adult children, flower arranging, and anything involving the outdoors. And she's always ready to throw together a party. Chief Dodson currently works as a consultant in emergency medical services and resuscitation and we are lucky to have her on board with us here at River Delta.

Chief Dodson's roll in River Delta Fire District, will be to move the district forward with more expanded EMT scope of practice, provide oversight of the districts QA program, perform as the districts Clinical Coordinator and provide training to firefighters.

Please help us in welcoming Chief Dodson to our wonderful community.

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