

## Sonoma County Fire District Association

I have been on the Board of Directors for the Valley of the Moon Fire District for seventeen years. I have been on the board as the district has evolved through providing fire protection to the City of Sonoma with a JPA, to the Sonoma Valley Fire Rescue Authority, to the present, as part of the Sonoma Valley Fire District. I am presently president of the Sonoma Valley Fire District. I am a past president of the Sonoma County Fire District Association.

I am retired as a Lieutenant from the San Francisco Fire Department after thirty years of service. I hold a Bachelor's Degree in Geography/Geology from Sonoma State University. I've worked as a substitute teacher in the Sonoma Valley School District. I Assisted City of Sonoma and VOM Fire Chiefs and Captains in development of Sonoma Valley Fire Rescue Authority's "Standards of Coverage," a business plan for our combined Fire Departments. I Developed a SVRA, GIS computer based, "Standards of Coverage" including a model providing the optimum relocation for Fire Station 2. I have served on various SFFD department committees and have taken numerous State Fire Marshal courses including; fire instructor, urban search and rescue, water rescue, cliff rescue, fire safety director and emergency medical technician.

I bring the experience of being a career fire officer with over thirty years of firefighting and fire department administration experience. I have attended training sessions for Special District Directors in Sacramento to better my knowledge of Special District functioning and operations. I have served as a Fire District Director for the past seventeen years and feel that I have made a positive contribution. I have the highest respect for the dedication and professionalism of our department members: chiefs, officers, engineers, firefighters and paramedics.

Thank you,

Bill Norton