



CAL FIRE / SLO COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENT

Class Title: S-244 FIELD OBSERVER (FOBS)
S-245 DISPLAY PROCESSOR (DPRO)

Date: FEBRUARY 12 – 15, 2018

Time: 0900-1700 Monday, 0800-1700 Tuesday - Thursday

Description: S-244 / S-245 provides the student with the skills necessary to perform as a field observer (FOBS) Display Processor and/or a prescribed fire effects monitor (FEMO). Topics include: roles and responsibilities of the FOBS and FEMO, how to make observations and document those observations, how to produce hand drawn and GPS field maps, and how to navigate using a compass and GPS.

Attendance restriction: Class restricted to current, permanent employees (No PCF or Reserve FF). Firefighter I/II with the completion of the CAL FIRE Firefighter Advanced Training will be permitted. Priority registration will go to Company Officers. Completion of S-290 Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior required

Instructor: Captain David Fowler and Cadre'; **Class Coordinator:** Training Captain April Mangels

Location: CAL FIRE SLU, Training Center: 880 Manzanita Dr., Los Osos, CA 93402

Certificate Awarded: **CAL FIRE** Certificate of Completion

Pre-course Work: You must bring the completed Basic Land Navigation text on first day of class. **All chapter tests must be completed prior to attendance.** Text can be accessed online: <https://www.nwcc.gov/sites/default/files/publications/pms475.pdf>

Fee: For CAL FIRE, San Luis Obispo permanent employees, there is no fee. **All other students pay \$320.** Please include a **cashier's check** or money order, made out to **SLO County Fire**. Registrations with personal checks will be shredded. See Pg. 2 for how to register

What to wear: Students must wear their department's duty uniform (pants, button up shirt, boots). No exceptions.

What to bring: #2 pencil and notebook

Questions: Course questions - Capt. Fowler email: David.Fowler@fire.ca.gov, cell 805.903.3426; Coordinator - Capt. Mangels cell: 805.903.3438, email: April.Mangels@fire.ca.gov; Registration questions - email SLU.training@fire.ca.gov

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South Bay Training Facility

Site Access: Parking: As you enter the Training grounds from Manzanita Drive, immediately turn left onto large driveway (above baseball field). All Training center visitors are to use this parking lot. Classrooms are opened by 0800 and must be cleared out and locked by 1630. No Smoking or Speeding on facility.

Use Side entrances. During your training please stay in your designated areas (classroom, outside); Lounge area, and appliances for SBTC staff only. SBTC Staff is at work while you are training so please be courteous, keep noise down and keep out of the front office, training offices, lounge, file room and GIS offices.

If you have any questions, please advise your instructor and they will relay message to office contact and your question will be answered in a timely fashion through your instructor.

Code of Conduct

Course Attire:

Caps and unacceptable items of clothing will not be worn at the Training Center.

When in the Community: Please remember, you are ambassadors for your department and our training center. The community of Los Osos has welcomed us and we expect you to be professional and act appropriately in or out of our facility.

Personal Needs: If you have a disability that requires special accommodations contact your instructor prior to your arrival.

All rules are non-negotiable and any persons who blatantly violate the above rules will be asked to leave the facility. Your training staff has worked hard to ensure that your learning experience is both pleasant and productive. Please enjoy our surroundings.

Thank you for your cooperation

Initials: _____ Date: _____