

RANCHO SANTA FE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT

DISTRICT BACKGROUND

The Rancho Santa Fe (FPD) provides structural fire protection, and advanced life support-level (ALS) emergency medical services (EMS) within an unincorporated area east of the City of Encinitas. The FPD includes approximately 44.03 square miles and covers the unincorporated communities of Rancho Santa Fe, Whispering Palms, Sun Valley, South Pointe Farms, Rancho Cielo, Del Dios, 4S-Ranch, Crosby, Santa Fe Valley, Fairbanks Ranch, Del Mar Country Club, and Elfin Forest/Harmony Grove.

An all volunteer Rancho Santa Fe FPD was established in the 1940s; the Board of Supervisors appointed the first 3-member FPD Board of Commissioners in October 1946.

In 1987, a reorganization between the Rancho Santa Fe FPD and neighboring County Service Area (CSA) No. 89 (Del Dios) dissolved both districts and formed a new district, which reclaimed the Rancho Santa Fe FPD name. The reorganized FPD was responsible for the territory of both former districts and the FPD Board was increased from three to five members.

In conjunction with the 1986 incorporation of the City of Encinitas, 2,000 acres were detached from the Rancho Santa Fe FPD and annexed to the Encinitas FPD. Seventy-eight acres were added to the Rancho Santa Fe FPD when the Solana Beach FPD was realigned with neighboring districts during the incorporation of the City of Solana Beach, also in 1986. In 2016, CSA No. 107 (Elfin Forest/Harmony Grove) was dissolved and the former CSA territory comprising 6,163 acres was annexed to the Rancho Santa Fe FPD. An additional 341 acres was annexed to the district in association with the CSA No. 107 dissolution.

LAFCO updated the sphere-of-influence for the Rancho Santa Fe FPD in 2016 in association with the CSA No. 107 reorganization. The updated sphere is generally coterminous with the district boundary, except for four special study areas designated west, east, and south of the district.

DISTRICT CHARACTERISTICS

Principal Act:	Health and Safety Code § 13800 et seq.
Services:	Structural fire protection Advanced life support EMS
Fire Stations:	(1) 16936 El Fuego, Headquarters (2) 16930 Four Gee Road (3) 6356 El Apajo (4) 18040 Calle Ambiente (5) 20223 Elfin Forest Road (6) Harmony Grove Village (under development)
Population:	33,315 (2015 SANDAG)
Dispatch:	North County Dispatch JPA
Ambulance Transport:	CSA No. 17
ISO Rating:	4 and 9 by area (1993)
Service Area:	44.03 square miles
Sphere of Influence:	Generally coterminous
Sphere Adopted:	July 1, 1987
Sphere Affirmed:	May 7, 2007
Sphere Reaffirmed:	August 6, 2007
Sphere Updated:	March 7, 2016
Revenue Sources:	Property tax, voter-approved assessment
Governance:	Elected 5-member Board of Directors
Board Meeting:	2nd Wednesday: 1:00 p.m. Administrative Office 16936 El Fuego Rancho Santa Fe, CA 92067
Contact:	rsf-fire.org P.O. Box 410 16936 El Fuego Rancho Santa Fe, CA 92067 858/756-5971
View map:	sdlafco.org/Webpages/agency_maps_links.htm