

BULLETIN

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TO: All Personnel
FROM: Brian Fennessy, Assistant Fire Chief, Emergency Operations
SUBJECT: Unit Availability while on Stand Back Status

In an effort to increase efficiency of resources and improve services to those in immediate need, SDFD units staged on “stand back” status will be permitted to add themselves to Level 1 medical and structure fire incidents if determined to be closer than other responding units. While staged, if a Company Officer becomes aware of another incident in the area in which their unit would make a significant difference, the officer shall notify FCC on the command channel that they are currently assigned to add their unit to the incident. FCC will coordinate the assignment and then dispatch the next appropriate unit to the incident requiring stand back.

Company Officers are expected to monitor the radio and MDC while staged and make prudent decisions when adding their unit to another incident. Officers may add themselves to incidents if, in the opinion of that officer, the unit’s presence on the incident will significantly enhance public and firefighter safety. Each officer will be responsible to justify their response.

Any additional information can be forwarded via the normal chain of command.