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I. PURPOSE

These procedures are designed to provide operating guidelines and effective management and control of essential functions of the San Pasqual Brush 57 Engine. These guidelines are consistent with current fire suppression and command policies contained within the San Diego Fire-Rescue Department (SDFD) Operations Manual.

II. SCOPE

This policy shall apply to all SDFD personnel.

III. AUTHORITY

The fire chief authorizes the information within this policy.

IV. POLICY

A. INTRODUCTION

1. The primary goal of Brush 57 is to improve emergency response times within the specific geographic service area gaps identified in the San Pasqual Valley area and to be an auxiliary support unit capable of rendering medical aid and/or initial fire and rescue incident mitigation.
2. When an incident has been safely and successfully mitigated, Brush 57 will go available status and the unit will return to its post within the geographic service area and or its administrative district.

B. MISSION OBJECTIVES

1. Brush 57 unit shall be equipped and the crew trained and prepared to affect immediate all-hazard incident type emergency mitigation.
2. The crew shall be trained and equipped to provide Advanced Life Support (ALS) emergency medical care.
3. The Brush 57 captain will assume the role of Incident Commander (IC) at emergency incidents when arriving first on scene (standard establishment of command should occur as appropriate).
 - a. At no time are Brush 57 personnel exempt from any operational policy or established procedures due to the staffing schedule of the apparatus.
4. Brush 57 will be outfitted appropriately and dispatched to all emergencies requiring a type 1 or type 3 apparatus per SDFD response plans. With limited water source and hose compliment, Brush 57 will not be outfitted with a full complement of equipment standard on all SDFD type 1 apparatus. Firefighters should exercise caution when making entry into an immediately dangerous to life and health (IDLH) environment and use due diligence during an interior attack.

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C. ELIGIBILITY

1. All fire captains, fire engineers, firefighters and firefighter/paramedics (excluding probationary firefighters) are eligible to bid as described in the staffing manual.

D. TRAINING

1. Supervision of the Brush 57 and crew while in service will be under the respective battalion chief.
2. Training on the apparatus and specific equipment will be under the direction of the respective battalion chief and supported by Logistics.