



## Santa Lucia Preserve (SLP) / Monterey County Regional Fire (MCRFD) SLP lies within the MCRFD and has an ISO Rating of 3.

# **UPDATE: THE SANTA LUCIA PRESERVE IS NOW A FIREWISE COMMUNITY!**

2021	
NATIONAL FIREWISE USA® PROGRAM	
CERTIFICATE	
OF RECOGNITION	
The National Fire Protection Association acknowledges that	
Santa Lucia Preserve	
located in <u>Carmel-by-the-Sea</u> , <u>CA</u> has successfully completed the Firewise USA* program's annual requirements for 2021 and is a participating site in good standing throughout the 2022 calendar year.	
James T. Pauley, President, NFPA	

The Santa Lucia Preserve successfully completed the criteria to become a nationally recognized Firewise USA® program participant. We are excited to join the growing number of Firewise sites, where residents throughout the nation are working to reduce their wildfire risks. Please <u>click here</u> to learn more about our community risk-reduction action plan.



Forrest Arthur (Preserve COO) and Mike Lyon (ALERTWildfire Rep) discussing where to install the new cameras at the top of the Sid Ormsby Lookout Tower at Penon Peak.

# Two ALERTWildfire Camera Installations at the Preserve atop Penon Peak and Hall's Ridge

These state-of-the-art Pan-Tilt-Zoom (PTZ) fire cameras help firefighters and first responders: 1) discover/locate/confirm fire ignition, 2) quickly scale fire resources up or down appropriately, 3) monitor fire behavior through containment, 4) during firestorms, help evacuations through enhanced situational awareness, and 5) ensure contained fires are monitored appropriately through their demise.

# The Preserve Welcomes their new Fire and Fuels Management Specialist

Emily Aiken is dedicated to continuing the Preserve's extraordinary efforts in promoting fire mitigation and preparedness. One of her first goals is to get the Preserve nationally recognized as a

**Firewise USA community**, which will serve as a platform for the community to learn to live with wildfire and increase their home's chance of survival through proactive actions, while encouraging neighbors to work together to reduce losses and damage. She will also help answer any fuel management questions you may have!

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Emily Aiken with Monterey County Regional Fire District's Fire Marshal, Kevin Kamnikar, conducting community risk assessments as an important step in the Firewise USA recognition process.

# **CURRENT FIRE SAFETY FEATURES AT THE PRESERVE:**

## Security Staffing/ Hours of Operation

Security response 24 hours / 7 days per week. Director of Security and two (2) Security Patrol Officer/EMT on property (on-call 24 hrs. / 7 days per week).

## **Fire Station**

The location of the primary fire station is at the New Corporation yard, 121 Rancho San Carlos Road, Carmel, CA. This location is strategically located within five (5) miles of the majority of Preserve addresses and response time is under fifteen (15) minutes. MCRF mid-valley station is less than five (5) minutes response time to our front gate.

## Fire/Medical Response Personnel

A Paramedic/Firefighter is assigned to the Preserve from 9 am – 4 pm daily / 7 days per week. Three (3) trained firefighters serve in rotations from 5 pm – 9 am / 7 days per week. Support and training provided by MCRFD. Five (5) SLP employees reside on property and serve as First Responders for fire and medical emergencies. The Preserve is also supported by an eight (8)-member volunteer Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT).

## Fire and Fuels Management Specialist – a new full-time staff position at the Preserve

The Fire and Fuels Management Specialist works under the Community Services District with core responsibilities including but not limited to:

- Serve as fire liaison and establish and maintain existing relationships and communication protocols with fire agencies such as CAL FIRE and Monterey County Regional Fire District for emergency incident preparedness.
- Support the planning, development, modification and implementation of the Fire Safety Program, wildfire pre-planning strategies, on-site prescribed burn programs, fuel management standards, community engagement initiatives and emergency operation plans.
- Coordinate the establishment of a Preserve-wide nationally recognized Firewise Community and manage the continuity of the certification status.





### Fire/Rescue On-Site Equipment

- Type II (2) Wildland/Structural Engine 650 gallons, 500 GPM pump
- John Deere 700 XLT Dozer (owned and operated by SLP, pictured below)
- Seven (10) Enforcer portable foam units installed in patrol/operations vehicles



#### **Water Distribution**

Each lot has accessibility to a fire hydrant located within 1000 ft. of the primary residence. Fire flow is provided at a minimum of 500 GPM (gallons per minute).

#### **Structural**

In order to ensure adequate fire protection, all buildings designed for human occupancy, and structures larger than 500 square feet, including garages, must be equipped with residential fire sprinkler systems conforming to NFPA 13-D and be equipped with an automatic fire alarm system connected to a 24 –hour monitoring service.

#### **Residential Fire Clearing**

In cooperation with the MCRFD and the Santa Lucia Conservancy (SLC), SLP would propose the following when fire clearing is necessary:

- Preliminary meeting on site between SLC, SLP, Homeowner, Insurance representatives and MCRFD Representative.
- Adherence to Lot Specific Fuel Management Plan
- Annual inspection conducted by MCRFD

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