

FIRE CHIEF BOB ROPER



Chief Roper is a 33-year veteran of the California fire service beginning as a volunteer firefighter and rising through the ranks as the Fire Chief in Ventura County.

Prior to beginning his fire service career, he had a private business and continued his education as a working adult. He earned his Bachelor's degree in Business, was certified Executive Fire Officer from the National Fire Academy, and is a Harvard Fellow attending the John F. Kennedy School of Government.

While working in the Ventura County Fire Protection District, Chief Roper worked in all ranks of emergency response. He has been the Fire Marshal, Support Chief, interim fiscal manager, Assistant Chief, Deputy Fire Chief, and has served on a Cal Fire incident management team as the Operations Section Chief, Liaison Officer, and Deputy Incident Commander. He has acted as the Incident Commander in Ventura County on various all-hazard incidents.

Chief Roper also seeks to improve the State's fire service through his work as the FIRESCOPE Chair, Association of Contract Counties and his work nationally on the International Association of Fire Chiefs Wildland Fire Policy Committee and the Wildland Fire Leadership Council.