



California Fire Chiefs Association  
Fire Prevention Officers Section  
Northern Division  
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July 29, 2020

Fire Prevention Officers Section Members

Dear Members,

The CFPI Workshop has been a valuable event annually for the past 30 years. The CFPI Committee has been instrumental in planning and orchestrating this training and have done an excellent job. We, the SoCal and NorCal Executive Boards, feel it is very important to you as our membership and to our profession that we continue to provide you with the best training available and provide the opportunity to collaborate with your fellow peers. We appreciate all the hard work and effort that has been done by all CFPI committee members over the years and we are truly grateful for the job they have done to get us to this point. Over the years, the profession has evolved, and so must our training and our conference.

In order to expand and evolve, we decided to utilize the services of a professional and established company whose primary function is to plan and manage conferences for professional organizations across the State of California. We made the difficult decision to relieve the current CFPI Committee members of their duties to enable us to move forward with this company. This change will allow us to grow in the future and become the standard in fire prevention training not just in California, but the Western United States.

Over the last couple months both the SoCal and NorCal boards have been discussing ways to host our 2021 conference, whether it be in-person or virtual. The COVID-19 pandemic has made this effort difficult with not knowing what restrictions may or may not be in place in March of 2021. We are very concerned and understanding of the threat COVID-19 could have on our membership, and we feel it is still our obligation to serve all of you as our membership. We are working on a plan to provide a virtual training in March 2021 in lieu of the in-person conference. We will continue to communicate with the membership as these plans are developed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mike Payton'.

Mike Payton, President  
NorCal Fire Prevention Officers

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jason Nailon'.

Jason Nailon, President  
SoCal Fire Prevention Officers