



CALIFORNIA FIRE PREVENTION INSTITUTE

2026 Annual Conference March 2 - 6

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

CFPI has been providing educational programs for fire and life safety personnel for the last 34 years. CFPI continues to be THE greatest educational value available to the fire service. The week-long training program is designed around current topics regarding the variety of tasks handled by fire prevention officers. This conference caters to anyone working in Community Risk Reduction, Fire Prevention, Plan Check, and Public Education. Our attendees range from the very experienced to the novice; there is something for everyone.

Classes will be offered in the following tracks: Management, Technical, CRR, WUI, and CFSTES. ICC CEUs are provided for each class.

Registration Pricing

Attendee Full Conference - \$675

Attendee Daily Rate - \$205

Exhibitors/Sponsors Daily rate - \$150 (with discount code)

Exhibit Hall Only - \$50

CFSTES Classes have a \$140 fee for State Fire Training Certification.

CFSTES Fee charged at check-out

Register Now @ <https://bit.ly/CFPI2026>

Registration Deadline: February 17

Attendee registration is first come, first serve.

We highly recommend early registration to ensure you get your preferred classes.

Conference Location and Host Hotel:

Hilton Santa Barbara Beachfront Resort

633 East Cabrillo Boulevard, Santa Barbara 93103

Link for the discounted Conference Room Block rate will be available after registration

We look forward to seeing you in Santa Barbara in 2026!



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CONFERENCE SCHEDULE DETAILS

SUNDAY

12:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Registration Open in the Hotel Lobby
4:00 PM	Welcome Reception for all Attendees

MONDAY

7:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Registration Open in the Lobby
7:00 AM	Coffee & Refreshments Served
8:00 AM - 10:00 AM	Classes
10:15 AM - 12:45 PM	Keynote Presentation & Annual Business Meeting Lunch Served
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Classes

TUESDAY

7:00 AM	Coffee & Refreshments Served
7:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Registration Open in the Lobby
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Classes
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch Served
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Classes
4:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Exhibitor Expo

WEDNESDAY

7:00 AM	Coffee & Refreshments Served
7:00 AM - 2:00 PM	Registration Open in the Lobby
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Classes
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch Served
12:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Exhibitor Expo & Raffle

THURSDAY

7:00 AM	Coffee & Refreshments Served
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Registration Open in the Lobby
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Classes
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Fire Prevention Officers Annual Awards Luncheon
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Classes

FRIDAY

7:00 AM	Coffee & Refreshments Served
7:00 AM - 8:00 AM	Registration Open in the Los Olivos Boardroom
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Classes

Conference Hours

Monday-Thursday 8am-5pm daily and Friday 8am-12pm

Food

Morning refreshments and coffee are served daily at 7am
Lunch is served Monday through Thursday at 12pm

Welcome Reception for all Registered Attendees

Sunday at 4pm - 5pm in the Reagan Room
Refreshments will be served

On-site Conference Check-in and Badge Pick Up

Sunday: 12pm - 5pm in the Hotel Lobby
Monday through Wednesday: 7am-5pm in the Hotel Lobby
Thursday: 7am - 12pm in the Hotel Lobby
Friday: 7am - 8am in the Los Olivos Boardroom

Keynote Speaker

Derrick Sawyer

Annual Business Meeting

The ABM of CFPI and the California Fire Prevention Officers will include reports from both Boards of Directors, timely updates, and voting of CFPI officers. Lunch will be provided.

FPO Annual Awards Luncheon

Join us as we recognize our peers with this annual event. Lunch is provided for all registered attendees.

Conference Attire

Business casual attire

EXHIBITOR EXPO

The Exhibit Hall will be Open:

Tuesday, March 4, from 4pm to 7pm with a Vendor Reception
Wednesday, March 5, from 12pm to 5pm, ending with the Raffle

CLASS SCHEDULE BY DAY

Full Class Descriptions and Instructors are available at <https://cfpi.org/index.php/annual-conference>

Monday 8am-10am

Energy Storage Systems CFC/CRC	The Customer Experience	Meeting People Where They Are: Microlearning Tools for CRR Success	Leading and Influencing Change in the Model Codes: Effective Participation in the ICC Code Development Process	Fire and Life Safety Educator 1B	Dedicated Function Fire Alarm Systems: What is it? Why is it used? And When.	Zone Zero in a Box: The Program to Inspire and Help Communities Achieve Zone Zero Adoption	Fire Marshal 1 A	2 Way Emergency Communications for Rescue Assistance	Fire Inspector 2B
Robert J Davidson / Chief Michael O'Brian / Captain Michael Nicholas (Ret)	Bob Lennen, Kc Lennen	Suzanne Freeman	Karl Fippinger, Christine Reed, Karyn Beebe	Justin Beal	Tim Knisely	Mark Brown & Kathleen Cutter	Rocque Yballa & Ian Hardage	Joseph Cervantes	Gage Schlice & Robert Marshall

Monday 10am-12pm

Keynote Speaker and Annual Business Meeting for CFPI

Monday 1pm-3pm

CONTINUED Energy Storage Systems CFC/CRC	Career Survival with Upstream Leadership	Seismic Bracing for Fire Protection Piping	The Power of Unmanned Technology (UAS) in Community Risk Reduction	CONTINUED Fire and Life Safety Educator 1B	Commercial Kitchen Ventilation & Suppression Systems	Modernizing Community Wildfire Protection Planning: Integrating Risk Assessment, Community Engagement, and GIS Tools for Wildfire Resilience Planning	CONTINUED Fire Marshal 1 A	Fire Prevention and Planning Department Class	CONTINUED Fire Inspector 2B
Robert J Davidson / Chief Michael O'Brian / Captain Michael Nicholas	Greg Rogers Mike Whim	Hannah Gvillo	Ryan McGraw & Tom Owen	Justin Beal	William A. "Sander" Moss	Dana Link-Herrera, Robert Hazard	Rocque Yballa & Ian Hardage	Andrew Tripp, Jessica Power	Gage Schlice & Robert Marshall

CLASS SCHEDULE BY DAY

Monday 3pm-5pm

CONTINUED Energy Storage Systems CFC/CRC	Building Your Community Risk Reduction Program	Simplifying Combustible Dust Code Complexity: Effectively Navigating the Intersection of Combustible Dust Hazards and Fire Protection Life Safety Standards	CONTINUED The Power of Unmanned Technology (UAS) in Community Risk Reduction	CONTINUED Fire and Life Safety Educator 1B	CONTINUED Commercial Kitchen Ventilation & Suppression Systems	Addressing compliance challenges with data centers	CONTINUED Fire Marshal 1 A	CONTINUED Fire Prevention and Planning Department Class	CONTINUED Fire Inspector 2B
Robert J Davidson / Chief Michael O'Brian / Captain Michael Nicholas	Heather Keller & Amandeep Banwait	Timothy Henkes & Todd LaBerge	Ryan McGraw & Tom Owen	Justin Beal	William A. "Sander" Moss	Howard Hopper, Ken Boyce	Rocque Yballa & Ian Hardage	Andrew Tripp, Jessica Power	Gage Schlice & Robert Marshall

Tuesday 8am-12pm

Everything Battery	Liquid CO2 Systems	2025 CFC Fire Alarm and NFPA 72 2025 Major Changes	Alternative Means & Methods	CONTINUED Fire and Life Safety Educator 1B	Updates to the 2025 Edition of NFPA 13, 13D and 13R by NFSA	Collaborative Vegetation Management and Wildfire Mitigation	CONTINUED Fire Marshal 1 A	Outdoor Special Event Workshop	CONTINUED Fire Inspector 2B
Robert J Davidson / Chief Michael O'Brian / Captain Michael Nicholas (Ret), Hiller Group	Brian Scholl	Joseph Cervantes	Joe McElvaney	Justin Beal	Chase Browning	Mark vonTillow & Monique O'Conner	Rocque Yballa & Ian Hardage	Randy Metz & Bryan Frieders	Gage Schlice & Robert Marshall

CLASS SCHEDULE BY DAY

Tuesday 1pm-3pm

CONTINUED Everything Battery	Flammable Finishes - CFC Chapter 24	Hazardous Materials and the GHS	Transition AFFF to Fluorine Free Foam for Fix Fire Protection Systems	CONTINUED Fire and Life Safety Educator 1B	CBC/CFC Provisions for Fire Resistive Penetration Firestopping and Joints	CONTINUED Collaborative Vegetation Management and Wildfire Mitigation	CONTINUED Fire Marshal 1 A	Beyond Extinguishers and Extension Cords: Using RECEO to Improve Company Inspections	CONTINUED Fire Inspector 2B
Robert J Davidson / Chief Michael O'Brian / Captain Michael Nicholas (Ret), Hiller Group	Brian Scholl	Lynne Kilpatrick & Megan Hall	Joe McElvaney	Justin Beal	W.A. "Sander" Moss	Mark vonTillow, Monique O'Conner	Rocque Yballa & Ian Hardage	Suzanne Freeman	Gage Schlice & Robert Marshall

Tuesday 3pm-5pm

CONTINUED Everything Battery	CONTINUED Flammable Finishes - CFC Chapter 24	CONTINUED Hazardous Materials and the GHS	Strengthening Codes & Standards through Community Risk Reduction with an emphasis on Fire and Life Safety Systems, Relationships, and Data-Driven Technology	CONTINUED Fire and Life Safety Educator 1B	CBC/CFC Provisions for Fire Resistive Penetration Firestopping and Joints	Collaborative Vegetation Management and Wildfire Mitigation	CONTINUED Fire Marshal 1 A	Protecting Wood Pallets	CONTINUED Fire Inspector 2B
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CLASS SCHEDULE BY DAY

Wednesday 8am-10am

OSFM Forum	Sprinkler & Sprinkler Trailer	Alarm	Residential EES - A Panel Discussion	CONTINUED Fire and Life Safety Educator 1B	CONTINUED Fire Marshal 1 A	CONTINUED Fire Inspector 2B
OSFM Staff	Sprinkler Fitter Staff	CAFAA Staff	William Koffel and Panel	Justin Beal	Rocque Yballa & Ian Hardage	Gage Schlice & Robert Marshall

Wednesday 10am-12pm

OSFM Forum	Sprinkler & Sprinkler Trailer	Alarm	Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition Meeting	CONTINUED Fire and Life Safety Educator 1B	CONTINUED Fire Marshal 1 A	CONTINUED Fire Inspector 2B
OSFM Staff	Sprinkler Fitter Staff	CAFAA Staff	Home Fire Sprinkler Coalition Staff	Justin Beal	Rocque Yballa & Ian Hardage	Gage Schlice & Robert Marshall

Wednesday 1pm-5pm

Exhibitor Fair

Thursday 8am-10am

High Piled Combustible Storage - Part 1 What Is It and How Do We Regulate It?	Doing it right- Reducing cancer for Arson Investigatrs	Plan review, inspection and maintenance of fire resistance rated assemblies and penetrations	Fire Sprinkler Plan Review Basics	Hazardous Materials Identification, Classifications, and MAQs	Fire Protection Planning for the FPO – Analyzing a Site Through Fire Protection Plans (with hands on case study)	Wildfire Risk and Solutions	CONTINUED Fire Marshal 1 A	CONTINUED Fire and Life Safety Educator 1B	CONTINUED Fire Inspector 2B
Todd LaBerge	Scott Jennie	Nanci Timmins & William (Sander) Moss	Craig Hanson & Joshua Rodriguez	Brian Scholl	Michael Huff, Austin Ott	Rich Snyder & J Lopez	Rocque Yballa & Ian Hardage	Justin Beal	Gage Schlice & Robert Marshall

CLASS SCHEDULE BY DAY

Thursday 10am-12pm

CONTINUED High Piled Combustible Storage - Part 1 What Is It and How Do We Regulate It?	Surviving your worst career moments: Leadership on the Line	CONTINUED Plan review, inspection and maintenance of fire resistance rated assemblies and penetrations	CONTINUED Fire Sprinkler Plan Review Basics	CONTINUED Hazardous Materials Identification, Classifications , and MAQs	CONTINUED Fire Protection Planning for the FPO – Analyzing a Site Through Fire Protection Plans	CONTINUED Wildfire Risk and Solutions	CONTINUED Fire Marshal 1 A	CONTINUED Fire and Life Safety Educator 1B	CONTINUED Fire Inspector 2B
Todd LaBerge	Ray Reynolds	Nanci Timmins & William (Sander) Moss	Craig Hanson, Joshua Rodriguez	Brian Scholl	Michael Huff, Austin Ott	Rich Snyder J Lopez	Rocque Yballa & Ian Hardage	Justin Beal	Gage Schlice & Robert Marshall

Thursday 1pm-3pm

High Piled Combustible Storage - Part 2 Modern Challenges in Plan Review, Sprinkler Protection Adequacy, and Automated Storage	Home Oxygen Fires: When it happens to your department	Plan review, inspection and maintenance of fire resistance rated assemblies and penetrations	Fire Sprinkler Plan Review Basics	Hazardous Materials Identification, Classifications, and MAQs	CRR Empowerment: Grants 101	Prioritizing Inspections and Wildfire Risk Mitigation Projects Through Modeling and GIS Analysis	Smoke Control - History, Methods, Code Requirements, Plan Checking, Testing & Inspecting	Battery Event Response to and Post Event Mitigation	CONTINUE D Fire Inspector 2B
Todd LaBerge	Ray Reynolds & Dr. Clifford Sheckter	Nanci Timmins & William (Sander) Moss	Craig Hanson & Joshua Rodriguez	Brian Scholl	Courtney Thompson & Kevin Berdan	Matthew Crockett, Scott Eckardt	Armando Herrera	Michael Nicholas (Ret), Hiller / Chris G Greene	Gage Schlice & Robert Marshall

CLASS SCHEDULE BY DAY

Thursday 3pm-5pm

CONTINUED High Piled Combustible Storage - Part 2 Modern Challenges in Plan Review, Sprinkler Protection Adequacy, and Automated Storage	Preparing for Integrated System Testing (NFPA-4)	CONTINUED Plan review, inspection and maintenance of fire resistance rated assemblies and penetrations	CONTINUED Fire Sprinkler Plan Review Basics	CONTINUED Hazardous Materials Identification, Classifications, and MAQs	CONTINUED CRR Empowerment: K-12 Education	A Primer on Fire Behavior Modeling for Evaluating Project and Community Risk	CONTINUED Smoke Control - History, Methods, Code Requirements, Plan Checking, Testing & Inspecting	Battery Event Response to and Post Event Mitigation	CONTINUED Fire Inspector 2B
Todd LaBerge	Jon Kapis	Nanci Timmins & William (Sander) Moss	Craig Hanson, Joshua Rodriguez	Brian Scholl	Courtney Thompson & Kevin Berdan	Matthew Crockett & Austin Ott	Armando Herrera	Michael Nicholas (Ret), Hiller / Chris G Greene	Gage Schlice & Robert Marshall

Friday 8am-10am

Residential Energy Storage Systems (ESS) and UL 9540/9540A	Certifications and How To for Fire Sprinkler Systems	13D Sprinkler Review and Inspection	Fire Inspector Ethics	Evolution of Large-Scale Fire Testing for Lithium-Ion Battery Energy Storage Systems	Fire Resistive Doors and Opening Protectives	Greater Novato Shaded Fuel Break: A Case Study of a CalVTP Project	Prevention powered by connection
Doug Smith	James Carver and Shawn Arballo & Sprinkler Fitters Local 709	Joshua Rodriguez	Orlando Agoun	Nick Bartlett, P.E.	W.A. "Sander" Moss	Sarah Labberton	Jenelle Masterson

CLASS SCHEDULE BY DAY

Friday 10am-12pm

Certifications and How To for Fire Sprinkler Systems	13D Sprinkler Review and Inspection	Fire Inspector Ethics	Fire and Explosion Risk Mitigation for Energy Storage Systems with NFPA 68 and NFPA 69	Fire Resistive Doors and Opening Protectives	Greater Novato Shaded Fuel Break: A Case Study of a CalVTP Project
James Carver and Shawn Arballo, Sprinkler Fitters Local 709	Joshua Rodriguez	Orlando Agoun	Todd LaBerge, P.E., Nick Bartlett, P.E.	W.A. "Sander" Moss	Sarah Labberton

CONTACT INFORMATION & QUESTIONS

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FAQs

Cancellation Policy

All attendee registration cancellations will be subject to a **\$50** administrative fee. Cancellations must be sent in writing via e-mail to secretary@cfpi.org by **February 7, 2026**. Telephone cancellations will not be accepted. After February 16, 2026, substitutions will be allowed in the event the registrant is unable to attend, but no refunds will be issued.

Returned Checks/Chargebacks

There is a \$35.00 administrative processing fee invoiced against all returned checks or disputed credit card charges resulting in a charge back.



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