



EMS DIVISION SUBSIDIARY COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2026 – 1:00 PM

LOMA LINDA EOC – 25541 BARTON RD. LOMA LINDA

MINUTES

EMS DIVISION SUBSIDIARY COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Apple Valley Fire Protection District – B.C. Matthew Dowland - *Absent*
Chino Valley Independent Fire District – Leslie Parham
Colton Fire Department – D.C. Jon Boggs
Loma Linda Fire Department – B.C. Jeff Gillette
Montclair Fire Department – Chief Ryon Dierck - *Absent*
Ontario Fire Department – **Chair**, Chief Mike Gerken – *Arrived @ 1:06*
Rancho Cucamonga Fire District – **Vice Chair**, Chief Augie Barreda
Redlands Fire Department – B.C. Nathan Bristol - *Absent*
Rialto Fire Department – D.C. Jacob Huber
San Bernardino County Fire District – D.C. Mike O'Bier
Victorville Fire Department – D.C. Andrew Roach
City of Yucaipa – Chief Grant Malinowski

CALL TO ORDER

- a. Flag Salute
- b. Roll call/Introductions

PUBLIC COMMENT

An opportunity provided for persons in the audience to make brief statements to the EMS Division Subsidiary Committee. (Limited to 3 minutes for each speaker)

There were no requests to speak.

INFORMATION RELATIVE TO POSSIBLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Agenda items may require committee member abstentions due to conflict of interests and financial interests. EMS Division Subsidiary Committee member abstentions shall be stated under this item for recordation on the appropriate item.

No conflicts were announced.

CONSENT ITEMS

The following items are considered routine and non-controversial and will be voted upon at one time by the EMS Division Subsidiary Committee. An item may be removed by a Committee Member or member of the public for discussion and appropriate action.

1. Approve EMS Division Subsidiary Committee Minutes of July 14, 2026.
2. Approve EMS Division Subsidiary Committee minutes of August 11, 2026.

Motion to accept Consent Items.

Motion by: Chief Mike O'Bier

Second by: B.C. Jeff Gillette

Yes – 8

No- 0

Abstain –0

Absent – 4, Apple Valley Fire Protection District, Montclair Fire Department, Ontario Fire Department, and Redlands Fire Department.

Motion Passed

CHAIR REPORT

- a. Operation Section Update

None

- b. Admin. Section Update – Josh Stapleton

- *90% of AMR workforce is transitioning over and have been thru onboarding.*
- *Surge units have all items done with exception of CHP inspection.*
CHP inspections should be complete by Sept. 15th.
- *Documentation to billing compliance has been rolled out.*

- c. Business Operations Update – Joe Barna

- *Ready for go live.*
- *134 Priority Ambulances and 13-member agency ambulances for a total of 147.*
- *Staffing currently sits at 154%.*
- *Tablet Command visibility.*
- *Anticipating more communication translating to better response times.*
- *Discussion on unit numbering continues.*
- *Bariatric units exceed current AMR Bariatric unit count.*
- *OES will be activating for the Oct. 1 transition at a Level 1.*
- *Standby units will go thru CONFIRE.*

NEW BUSINESS

3. Ambulance Destination – Chief Gerken - **DISCUSSION**

Chief Gerken discussed honoring the customer's request of Hospital destination.
How far can the units travel?

Leaders' intent is to do what is right for the agency but to honor the patient's medical home when feasible.

4. Billing Data Pathway – Chief Gerken – **DISCUSSION**

Pam Martinez has been working on the complexities of billing and getting agencies paid that provide services.

The team will continue to meet, obtain training, and develop a process.

ROUND TABLE

Chief O'Bier of County Fire wanted to know what the plan is for units or locations that are being hammered. Per Josh Stapleton, debriefing will occur daily. Units or locations that are being hit hard will be identified and rectified before it becomes an issue. We will make data driven decisions to protect our people. We will utilize Marvelous, System Status Controller, and ECC Chief to ensure that the system adjusts quickly.

CLOSED SESSION

**2:08 The committee did not enter closed session.*

5. Review and update existing Litigation – Government Code section 54956.9: AMR

Lawsuit

No update

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the EMS Division Subsidiary Committee Meeting.

Motion by: D.C. Jacob Huber

Second by: Chief Augie Barreda

Yes – 9

No- 0

Abstain –0

Absent – 3, Apple Valley Fire Protection District, Montclair Fire Department, and Redlands Fire Department.

Motion Passed

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

Upcoming Meetings:

Next Meeting: October 13, 2026.

/s/ Liz Berry
Liz Berry
Clerk of the Board