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MONTEREY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND PARTNER AGENCIES ANNUAL WILDLAND REFRESHER TRAINING AT QUARRY PARK Training Involves No Live Fire or Smoke April 21 – 22, and April 24, 2025

Monterey, Calif. – On Monday, April 21, Tuesday, April 22 and Thursday, April 24, 2025, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., the Monterey Fire Department, along with partner agencies, will be conducting annual wildland refresher training (RT-130). This year's training focuses on "Urban Interface" fires. Urban Interface fires refer to wildfires that threaten residential homes and other community building infrastructures that are part of wildland vegetation environments. The devastating wildfires this January in Los Angeles County are examples of Urban Interface fires. These fires pose unique challenges as they can spread rapidly, burning both natural and human-made structures, and potentially releasing more harmful emissions.

Training will take place at Quarry Park, near Via Del Pinar and Via Gayuba in the Monte Vista neighborhood of Monterey. This year's training will focus on accessing and containing a fire in remote areas and simulate protecting the adjacent structures.

Monterey Fire Acting Assistant Chief Greg Greenlee said, "We want the public to know about this training exercise, and that there will be no live fire or smoke used as part of this training. There will be, however, multiple fire engines and firefighters in the neighborhood, and all parks/trails will remain open. We thank the neighbors for sharing the space for this important refresher training exercise."

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Photos from previous annual wildland refresher training exercises:



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