



MEDIA ADVISORY

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For Immediate Release

Subject: Orange County Fire Authority & Orange County Sheriff's Department to Hold Press Conference on Preventing Wildland Fires

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Who: The Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) in partnership with the Orange County Sheriff's Department (OCSD) along with Orange County Parks will announce their joint efforts in preventing man-made, arson, or wildfires within Orange County and placing an emphasis on OCFA's Ready, Set, Go! program.

What: OCFA Fire Chief Keith Richter & Sheriff Sandra Hutcheons will outline what their agencies are doing to prevent wildfires. They will discuss how to fire proof your home, what to look for in reference to suspicious behavior, and who to call for notification. We are enlisting the community to be the "eyes and ears" in preventing Wildland fires. Fire is a severe hazard for those communities that are built close to nature and residents need to be involved in order to prevent future blazes. Working together with partners and residents are among our best prevention tools. We want "would-be" arsonists to know that they will be seen. There will be LIVE demonstrations of an OCFA Hand Crew performing progressive hose lays and cutting line; Agency helicopters conducting water drops as well as showing video downlink from their helicopter, which is a valuable resource on wildfires. OCFA and OCSD will display their new command/rehabilitation trailers along with OCFA's urban interface engines.

When: Wednesday, May 1st @ 10:30 a.m.
Staging begins at 10 a.m.

Where: Peters Canyon (South)
Intersection of **Peter's Canyon** & **Silverado Terrace**
Thomas Bros Map (*North Tustin – City of Orange Border*)

Amazing Photo & Interview Opportunities Available!
