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## **Ronchetti takes Leadership Role as Deputy Fire Marshal**

San Bernardino County Fire Chief Mark Hartwig is honored to announce the promotion of Monica Ronchetti to Deputy Fire Marshal, assigned to the Office of the Fire Marshal. As Deputy Fire Marshal, Ronchetti will oversee the Hazardous Materials CUPA Program and Household Hazardous Waste divisions; which encompasses the entire unincorporated San Bernardino County Fire Protection District area including several contract cities and districts. The Hazardous Materials Division provides oversight and implementation of all regulatory inspection and planning programs, manages the CUPA for the entire county and the cities within, provides emergency response to Haz-Mat related incidents, and oversees the Household Hazardous Waste program.

Monica began her career with County Fire Office of the Fire Marshal as a Hazardous Materials Specialist (HMS) trainee in April 2009 and quickly advanced through the ranks to a Hazardous Materials Specialist II. As an HMS II, she functioned as the Aboveground Petroleum Storage Act Specialist.

Monica was promoted to an HMS III, a lead position in the Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) division and showed her management skills in leading over 19 personnel and working cohesively with management staff from all the cities and towns in the County. As an HMS III, she was responsible for training over 200 county and city hazardous waste management staff annually. Additionally, she was responsible for managing several grants and working with staff from the state's department of Resource, Recycling and Recovery.

In October 2015, Monica was promoted to the Supervising Hazardous Materials Specialist in the HHW Division. As the Supervisor, she oversaw the operations of the 14 permanent HHW collection facilities and several temporary collection events. She managed the HHW budget, various HHW contracts and agreements.

Monica recently graduated from the Executive Development track of the County's Management and Leadership Academy. She holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Environment Studies with a minor in Geography and a Certificate in Urban Planning from California State University, San Bernardino. She also holds an Associate of Science in Biology from Riverside Community College. Additionally, Monica is a California Specialized Training Institute certified instructor and a hazardous materials management trainer both at the local and state levels. She is also a Boy Scouts of America Merit Badge Counselor and a High Adventure Crew #5330 Quartermaster Mentor Coach.

As a leader, Monica's dedication in upholding County Fire's Mission and Commitments statement is obvious to her subordinates, peers and supervisors. Monica expressed that service above self and kindness combined with patience are important to her both as an employee and a supervisor.

Monica is married to her husband Tim of twenty-five years and has two teenage boys. They enjoy being in the outdoors hiking, camping, mountain biking, and snowboarding.

Monica has been working alongside retiring Deputy Fire Marshal Ionie Wallace, ensuring a smooth transition. Deputy Fire Marshal Wallace, who will retire in January, leaves behind a legacy; <http://bit.ly/2FXhQSD>.