

## **9.0 PURPOSE**

The purpose of this PLAN is to establish the Community's response organization, responsibilities, functions, and interactions to mitigate the immediate effects of a moderate or high intensity earthquake, wildfire or severe winter storm affecting the Community of Heritage Ranch, until such time as additional resources arrive.

**The first priority of this PLAN shall be to minimize the loss of life.**

The PLAN is intended to unify Community based public agencies and the HROA under the Incident Command System (ICS) in order to maximize resource availability in order to effectively minimize damage to life and property caused by the immediate effects of the emergency. It is intended to identify resources available from the three entities located within the Community and from the Community itself which may be used, in the absence of outside resources, to mitigate specific needs relative to responsibilities identified in the PLAN which may be outside of the normal roles of the three entities.

## **10.0 SCOPE**

This PLAN is primarily intended to serve as a contingency response plan for all effects associated with a major incident or disaster affecting the Community of Heritage Ranch. Procedures within this PLAN solely address emergency response and short term recovery until such time as appropriate jurisdictional agencies arrive to assume management of the emergency activities. The procedures within this PLAN apply to the personnel, equipment, facilities and other resources under the direct control of the CAL FIRE/SLO County Fire, the HRCSD, the HROA, or any other agency, group, or individual who adopts a role in emergency response which is consistent with an element of this PLAN.

For the HRCSD and the HROA, this PLAN applies to the area known as Heritage Ranch, specifically within the boundaries of the HRCSD and within the area served by the HROA respectively. As for the CAL FIRE/SLO County Fire Station #33, it applies to the same area yet recognizes that CAL FIRE/SLO County Fire Station #33 has jurisdictional responsibilities beyond the physical boundaries limiting the HRCSD and the HROA (See Appendix D). These responsibilities for CAL FIRE/SLO County Fire Station #33 include fire, rescue, Emergency Medical Services, and command, control and coordination responsibilities for the entire Nacimiento Lake area of the Paso Robles Battalion.

When "Community" is used throughout this document, it describes the area encompassing the boundary of Heritage Ranch as identified by the SLO County Planning Department and as represented by the area served by the HROA specifically.

## **11.0 OBJECTIVES**

The objectives of this PLAN are to:

- ❖ Document the command structure
- ❖ Establish response guidelines
- ❖ Identify available resources and their utilization
- ❖ Identify incident facility locations and their utilization
- ❖ Establish Standard Operating Procedures and areas of responsibility agreed upon by CAL FIRE/SLO County Fire Station, the HRCSD and HROA.

This PLAN serves as a reference and training guide for new employees, current employees and civilian volunteers. In addition, this PLAN gives background information, training requirements and PLAN update procedures.