

Jim Hudson

Deputy Chief

CAL FIRE Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit

Jim began his fire service career in 1999 with the Higgins Fire Protection District in Nevada County. In 2000 Jim became a CAL FIRE Firefighter I in the Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit. Jim went on to become a Fire Apparatus Engineer/Paramedic in the Nevada-Yuba-Placer and Amador-El Dorado Units. In 2011 Jim promoted to Fire Captain in the Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit working in the Placer County Fire Department Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement. In 2016 Jim promoted to Battalion Chief of the Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit Training and Safety Bureau and later moved to a field battalion. In 2018 Jim became Assistant Chief of the Nevada-Yuba-Placer Unit West Division and moved to his current position as Deputy Chief of Operations in 2020.

Jim has served on CAL FIRE Incident Management Teams 4 and 5 as a Branch Director and Operations Section Chief. Jim is an Incident Commander of the Sacramento Regional Type III Incident Management Team. He also holds the ICS qualification of Safety Officer.

Currently Jim serves as Deputy Incident Commander of CAL FIRE Incident Command Team 5.