

**Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training**

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Subject: POST Welcomes Alan McFadon as the First Public Safety Dispatcher to be Appointed by the Commission to the Advisory Committee

Recognizing the contributions and integral significance of Public Safety Dispatchers (PSDs) to the law enforcement profession, the Commission is pleased to announce the appointment of PSD Alan McFadon to the POST Advisory Committee. Mr. McFadon is a PSD at Stanislaus Regional 9-1-1 and a member of the Public Safety Dispatcher Advisory Council, which comprises dispatchers throughout the state who meet to discuss training needs and advance the dispatcher profession.

The appointment by the Commission marks the first time a dispatcher has been appointed to the POST Advisory Committee. Mr. McFadon, with his insight and experience, will be a liaison between the Advisory Committee and the Public Safety Dispatcher Advisory Council. He will provide input for PSDs, and assist the Advisory Committee in its role in advising the Commission.

In addition to the appointment of Mr. McFadon, the Commission has been working with Subject Matter Resources in the following dispatch-related areas:

- Revision of the POST PSD Basic Course (completed July 2010)
- Design of a recommended PSD Communications Training Officer Manual (in progress)
- Instructor development, design, and piloting of PSD Continuing Professional Training courses (piloting in progress)

The Commission is aware and appreciative of the vital public safety role of California PSDs. Mr. McFadon's appointment, and POST's continued efforts in dispatch endeavors, will be a benefit to PSDs statewide, and will assist POST in its mission to advance the professionalism of California law enforcement.

Please direct your questions about Mr. McFadon's appointment to Senior Consultant Don Shingara, by telephone at (916) 227-3935, or by email at Don.Shingara@post.ca.gov.

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