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The **California Wildland Firefighter Memorial** (CFWM) is a tribute to firefighters that have paid the ultimate sacrifice fighting wildland fires in the State of California.

Conception came about in 1995 when a group of retirees, fire survivors, CAL FIRE, and USDA Forest Service sought to repair and replace missing markers from the Decker Fire of 1959. This fire killed 7 firefighters within the Santa Ana Mountains above Lake Elsinore.

This Memorial is **located** along its **dedicated** highway, the Ortega Highway between Elsinore and San Juan Capistrano. A Forest Service picnic area is adjacent to the Memorial, where Highway 74 and the South Main Divide Road intersect.



After the 1995 **ground breaking** ceremony, several concepts for the Memorial arose. All aspects are coordinated partnerships with the USDA Forest Service, CAL FIRE, Orange County Fire Authority and CWFM committee members.

Presently the **Memorial site** consists of a circular area containing a red Maltese cross in the center with a stucco retaining wall behind in a semi-circle. Picnic benches and tables are placed around the perimeter with native plants integrated into the Memorial area. The serene tree filled area promotes the tranquility that inspires the Memorial and its purpose.

The **next phase** will be the completion of the Memorial centerpiece. Drawings and construction bids are currently being considered.

The **final phase** will be finishing the retaining wall to blend in with the natural setting, followed by placement of the fire plaques. When completed the Memorial will be funded **perpetually**, ensuring continued maintenance and updating.

All **funding** for the Memorial is derived solely from donations, contributions, and service partnerships. Each phase of the project is being done as support comes in. Estimated completion costs are \$150,000.



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California Wildland Firefighter Memorial



Together lets honor and acknowledge California's wildland firefighters that have lost their lives in the line of duty protecting our lives and property. There have been over 200 wildfires with fatalities in California.

We are always looking for involvement from anyone. The **committee meets** the third Tuesday of each month at 10am. Please contact Carlo Guthrie, President, at (951)-682-6863 for more information.

All donations are welcome for the Memorial. **Donations** of five dollars or more receive a commemorative pin. We appreciate your contribution. Thank you for the help.

California's Only Memorial Dedicated to Wildland Firefighters



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<http://www.rvcfire.org/opencms/memorial/californiawildlandfirefightermemorial.htm>

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