

Fire crews caution public to stay clear of wildfire Air Operations Training at Fairview Park

Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue will partner with several local firefighting agencies to conduct Air Operations Training at Fairview Park to prepare for the potential of wildfires in the area and improve communications and interoperability between all agencies.

To avoid interference with the training and to minimize safety concerns, fire officials are requesting that the public stay away from that area of the park and to refrain from any drone usage in and around the area.

Costa Mesa Fire & Rescue is the host of the operations, which will take place at the south end of the park on July 19 and 20 and Aug 2 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Orange County Fire Authority and the Orange County Sheriff's office and several Orange County fire agencies will also take part in the exercise.

Both the Sheriff and Fire Authority helicopters will be used during the operations as well as other large fire apparatus.

Fire officials have worked with city staff to ensure that all environmental and wildlife concerns are addressed prior to the training.