

STANISLAUS CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT
POLICIES & PROCEDURES

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TITLE: **HOSE TERMS PROCEDURE**

It shall be **Standard Operating Procedure** to use the following terms for hose commands:

- **“PULL”**

The word **pull** when used in a command means the hose load will be removed from the hose bed by pulling on the nozzle and pull strap or nozzle and loop and will be connected to or remain connected to the engine from which it was pulled. The engine will stay at the scene.

- **“LAY”**

The word **lay** when used in a command means the hose load will be removed from the hose bed by pulling the nozzle or coupling from the engine and anchoring. The engine will then drive away laying the hose behind it.

- **“STRETCH”**

The word **stretch** when used in a command means that the hose will be removed from the hose bed by pulling the nozzle or coupling and the firefighter will drag or carry the hose to a position that it may be used to supply water.

- **“DROP”**

The word **drop** when used in a command means that the hose is remove from the hose bed by pulling the nozzle and pull strap or by pulling the entire hose load of the engine as one unit; the load is disconnected from the engine and maybe used by another engine then or left where dropped for later use.

- **“LINE”**

The term **line** when used in a hose command means one or more lengths of connected fire hose.

- **“LIVELINE”**

The term **liveline** means a hose line that is pre-connected to a fire engine discharge outlet.

- **“ATTACK LINE”**

The term **attack line** means a hose line placed in service by a company at the scene of a fire in order to suppress the fire and protect lives.

- **“BACK-UP LINE”**

The term **back-up line** means a hose line of equal or greater size than the attack line that is placed in service to reinforce and protect personnel in case the attack line proves to be inadequate.

- **“EXPOSURE LINE”**

The term **exposure line** means a hose line of equal or greater size than the attack line which is used to prevent the fire from extending to uninvolved areas or structures.

- **“SUPPLY LINE”**

The term **supply line** means one or more lengths of connected fire hose used to provide water to the intake side of a pump or to wyed lines.

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