CalFire names chief for northern region

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Bill Holmes, chief of the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's Amador-El Dorado Unit, has been named Cal Fire's Northern Region chief.

In his new position, Holmes, a Cameron Park resident, will oversee 12 units from the Oregon border to the Bay Area, according to a Cal Fire news release.

Holmes worked his way up through the ranks of the state fire agency. He also is a qualified national incident commander, operations section chief and agency administrator who has served on major incidents throughout California, Wyoming, Montana and Oregon.

In 2007, Holmes co-chaired the committee that developed and recommended the new Cal Fire logo.

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