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## **Fifteen Firefighters Graduate from the Fire Training Academy**



**North Bend** – State Fire Marshal Charles LeBlanc announced that 15 firefighters graduated from the Washington State Fire Training Academy in North Bend, Washington. Graduation was held on Friday, July 27, 2018, in Issaquah, Washington.

On May 3, 2018, the 15 firefighter recruits listed below began a 12-week Recruit Academy that meets National Fire Protection Association Standards 1001 and 472; Standards for Firefighter Professional Qualifications at the Firefighter I & II, Hazardous Materials Awareness and Hazardous Materials Operations Levels. The graduating firefighters have learned fire service principles through classroom instruction and rigorous hands-on live fire training.

The following fire departments and districts are represented in this Recruit Academy class:

Anacortes Fire Department  
Michael Swanson

Mount Vernon Fire Department  
Joshua Subido

Portland Airport Fire & Rescue  
Chris Angel  
Daniel Gates  
Ryan Stapleton

Port of Seattle Fire Department  
Tanner D'Amato  
Michael Monda  
Matt Mullennix  
Tate Newell  
Christy Van Gerwen

Pullman Fire Department  
Dain Houske

Snohomish County Airport-Paine Field  
Amanda LaPierre  
Caleb Littrell  
Schuyler Murphy

Siuslaw Valley Fire & Rescue  
Kyle Orozco

**Company Officer**

Port of Seattle Fire Department  
Captain Stephanie McGinnis

For more information about the Fire Training Academy, please contact the Academy at (425) 453-3000.

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