

Fire Service Bio for Lt. Carl Horning

Carl Horning entered the fire service as a volunteer with Washington County Fire District 2 in January 2004 and served with the agency in that role until July 2007, when he was hired as a probationary firefighter. Horning was then hired as a lieutenant with Philomath Fire & Rescue in Benton County, where he served between April 2008 and December 2010. In January 2011, he returned to Washington County Fire District 2, when he was hired as a firefighter.

Horning transferred as an apparatus operator to Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue in July 2016 while Washington County Fire District 2 went through an annexation process with TVF&R. He earned a promotion to lieutenant in June 2023.

Horning served on TVF&R's wildland team, leading classroom and hands-on training in the field with crews and new recruits and deploying with wildland firefighting teams responding to wildfires in Oregon and California.

In 2021, Horning was awarded a Special Unit Citation for his performance as part of a response unit during the first 24 hours of the Chehalem Mountain-Bald Peak wildfire in September 2020 as well as a Chehalem Mountain-Bald Peak Campaign Ribbon. This fire became the largest wildfire within TVF&R's service area in its history.

During his time with TVF&R, Horning worked mostly at Station 19 in Midway. He also served briefly on the Technical Rescue Team, as a field training officer, and supported COVID-19 vaccination distribution efforts. Lt. Horning was most recently assigned as a company officer to Station 64 on Northwest 185th Avenue.