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## Gehling named MOFD battalion chief

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The Moraga-Orinda Fire District rounded out its roster of chief officers in April with the elevation of Steve Gehling to battalion chief, training division. Gehling and battalion chiefs Matt Nichols, operations and communications, and Jerry Lee, emergency medical and support services, report directly to Fire Chief Dave Winnacker.

Gehling, a 10-year MOFD veteran, will supervise all training programs for the district, including the record keeping, certification qualifications and the coordination of multi-company training drills. "I want to improve the frequency and consistency of our training program, so our personnel have the skill sets to handle whatever is thrown at them on a daily basis," Gehling said.

"We're excited to have a youthful and energetic battalion chief who is passionate about training as the primary way we prepare for emergencies," Winnacker said.

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