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Chief Wooten started in the Oregon Fire Service at Harbor Rural Fire Protection District in 1991. His 25 years of combined experience include volunteer, private, and combinations agencies across Oregon. In addition to Harbor Fire, Chief Wooten has served at Brookings, North Bend, Milton-Freewater Rural, Pendleton, and Helix fire departments. His experience includes employment in private EMS and as a flight medic and manager for Life Flight Network. Chief Wooten had served as an instructor in fire and EMS at two community colleges, including coordinating the EMT program at Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton, Oregon. Chief Wooten has a strong background in labor/management relations, including serving as the President for the Pendleton Firefighters and as a District VP for the Oregon State Firefighter's Council. In June 2014 Chief Wooten assumed the Fire Chief position at South Lane County Fire & Rescue.

Chief Wooten holds a Bachelor Degree from Eastern Oregon University in Fire Administration, and a Masters Degree Management and Leadership from Western Governors University.