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John started in the Oregon Fire Service at Harbor Rural Fire Protection District in 1991. His 25 years of combined experience include volunteer, private, and combination agencies across Oregon. In addition to Harbor Fire, John 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. John has served as an instructor in fire and EMS at two community colleges and coordinated the EMT program at Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton, Ore. He has a strong background in labor / management relations that includes serving as the President for the Pendleton Firefighters and as a District Vice President for the Oregon State Firefighter's Council. In June 2014, John assumed the Fire Chief position at South Lane County Fire & Rescue.

John earned his Bachelor's Degree from Eastern Oregon University in Fire Administration, and his Masters Degree in Management and Leadership from Western Governors University.