

Ring of fire

Training heats up at live fire exercise



(Top) A firefighter from Vandenberg's fire protection flight lights a blaze at 609 Elm St. in the military family housing area. Firefighters have been conducting live fire training on Elm Street for nearly a month. (Above) A firefighter from Arroyo Grande gets ready to enter the burning house. (Right) Firefighter Jason Shewbert mans a fire hose to keep the blaze from burning out of the training area.



(Left to right) Fire Captain Honorio Carlton, Hotshots crewmember John Stephens, and Senior Airman William Figueroa wait to enter an empty house set ablaze by the fire department. The military family house was already scheduled for demolition.



Assistant Fire Chief Grant Gallagher communicates with safety officials by radio.



Engineer Samuel Beaton watches the behavior of a fire under controlled conditions during a training burn in military family housing Aug. 15. Beaton is wearing personal protective equipment that supplies him oxygen and protects him from heat and flames.

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