



REPORT TO THE FAR WEST DIVISION  
Assistant Division Director SEASON REPORT  
*FWD 2014 - 2015 RECAP*

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**SEASON HIGHLIGHTS —**

Once again the lack of snow was a challenge to the ski resorts in the FWD. A small number of SoCal resorts got started in December. The balance of the season was difficult and SoCal was finished by the end of March..... The middle of March I traveled to Bear Valley in the MLR for a certified avalanche mitigation class and well attended certified mid-winter clinic. 12+ SoCal patrollers also took the time to participate. A number of disciplines were successfully completed. The end of March I observed the Senior SEM evaluation at Snow Summit. 4 scenarios, 3 senior candidates, over 30 evaluators and helpers. This is a BIG time and logistics commitment for the patrollers in charge..... The end of April I attended the spring APP certified clinic. A number of FWD NSP volunteers participated. SoCal again had good participation with more disciplines completed. Seven APP full certification numbers were awarded this year and four of the seven were NSP volunteers from SoCal.

**GOALS FOR COMING SEASON:**

- 1. Pray for bigger snow fall to the FWD ski resorts
- 2. Continue to be an advocate to Division Advisors for support and counsel
- 3. Explore and develop non-NSP winter travel classes at sporting goods stores
- 4. Continue to participate at regional and division clinics as a FWD representative.

**ISSUES and RESOLUTIONS:**

- Interviewing candidates for the FWD southern recruitment advisor.

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