

Mission Viejo RACES-ARES INCIDENT OBJECTIVES

1. Provide for the **SAFETY** of **ALL** incident participants and the general public.
 - a. Be aware of **EXISTING** and report to the Incident Commander all **NEW** hazards immediately:
 - i. **HOW BIG** are they ?
 - ii. **HOW BAD** are they ?
 - b. Maintain awareness and use of **LCES*** at all times:
 - i. Post **“LOOKOUTS”**
 - ii. Have alternate **“COMMUNICATIONS”** paths
 - iii. Identify **“E[̄]SCAPE ROUTES”** in advance
 - iv. Know key **“SAFETY ZONES”**
2. Create and maintain a **VIABLE** network of emergency communications.
 - a. Always **MONITOR** your designated or assigned frequencies.
 - b. Acknowledge and relay all messages **ACCURATELY** with **MINIMAL** delay.
3. Always **CONFIRM** acknowledgement from the Net Control Station (NCS) **BEFORE** initiating **ANY** assignment change.

** LCES is a common mnemonic used by the fire services*