

Deputy Fire Chief Samuel Klemek has served in the fire and EMS services of Monterey County over 30 years having served in both public and private ALS ambulance services and ALS fire service. He has been a Paramedic representative to the Monterey County Medical Advisory Committee (MAC) and the Monterey County Emergency Medical Care Committee (EMCC). Chief Klemek worked as both an EMT and Paramedic in rural South Monterey County and Big Sur, and participated in the creation of the Carmel, Carmel Valley, Big Sur Ambulance Authority where he worked as a Paramedic and field training officer for several years. He participated in the drafting of the authority's proposal to provide county-wide ALS transport services to Monterey County in the 1990's before becoming a Firefighter/Paramedic for the City of Salinas Fire Department in 2000.

Chief Klemek has spent much of his career participating in county-wide quality assurance programs and representing the Salinas Fire Department and greater Monterey County fire service as co-chair of the Monterey County Next Generation Emergency Network (NGEN) Oversight Committee and implementation team, 911 Operations Board member, and as chair of the Monterey County 911 Mobile Data Sub-Committee. He has also chaired the Monterey County Operational Area's Interoperability Sub-Committee and served on various other ad-hoc committees and boards.