

## *About the Presenters*

**Dale Atkins:** A former-reluctant-ICS adopter Dale embraced the Incident Command System in the late 1980s after realizing ICS was not really any different than how mountain rescue operations were traditionally organized. For nearly 20 years Dale worked for the Colorado Avalanche Information Center as an avalanche scientist and forecaster. His rescue background also brings more than 30 years of mountain rescue experience and 20 years of professional ski patrolling. Dale represents United States as the co-chairman of the International Commission for Alpine Rescue (ICAR) Avalanche Rescue Commission and also chairs the Search and Rescue Committee of the American Avalanche Association. He has contributed numerous magazine articles and professional papers, books and videos on avalanches, avalanche accidents and rescue. Currently Dale works for RECCO AB.

**Drew Davis:** Drew first became involved with the incident command system as a park ranger and wildland firefighter in 1979. Since that time, he has extensive experience in working with the Incident Command System and become student of the management system. He has taught hundreds of law enforcement, wildland fire, structural fire, search and rescue and emergency management personnel NWCG and NASAR incident management courses. During his career Drew has worked as a seasonal and career park ranger, professional ski patroller, emergency services specialist, researcher, incident management and IT consultant, and business and technology manager. He has developed extensive experience in incident management, and project management.