

OPERATIONS BULLETIN # 42

Subject: Strike Team/Task Force Leader Trainee Assignments

Clarification and review of the agreement for Local Government Fire and Emergency Assistance to the State of California and Federal Agencies between State of California; California Governor's Office of Emergency Services; State of California, Department of Forestry and Fire Protection; USDA Forest Service, Pacific Southwest Region; USDI Bureau of Land Management, California State Office; USDI National Park Service, Pacific West Region; USDI Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Southwest Region and USDI Bureau of Indian Affairs, Pacific Region.

The following Guidelines and Procedures shall be adhered to in compliance with the California Fire Assistance Agreement (CFAA).

1. The State of California or the Federal Fire Agencies shall provide reimbursement for personnel requested by the State of California or the Federal Fire Agencies to coordinate (Strike Team/Task Force Leaders) or otherwise support the California Fire and Rescue Mutual Aid System or Cal OES owned emergency apparatus used on incidents.
2. The Strike Team/Task Force may, at the discretion of the local jurisdiction, include a Strike Team/ Task Force Leader Trainee as a reimbursable member of the unit.
3. The Trainee will be covered under a Strike Team/ Task Force order request and will be identified on a separate Cal OES Emergency Activity Record (F-42), unless the Trainee is from the same California Fire and Rescue Mutual Aid System Agency as the Strike Team Leader.
4. The Strike Team/ Task Force Leader Trainee shall travel with the strike team/ task force leader in the same vehicle from the existing strike team/ task force. The role is to be a mentor and trainer to the Strike Team Leader Trainee so that individual has the ability to respond to any incident and perform the tasks assigned to the Strike Team/Task Force.
5. In no case will a second support vehicle assigned to an individual strike team or task force be reimbursed.
6. Personnel filling Strike Team/ Task Force Leader Trainee positions shall be certified at the Strike Team/ Task Force Leader Trainee level per Wildland Fire Qualifications NWCG 310-1 Sub System Guide, or the CICCIS.
7. All Trainees will follow the qualification process in place at the incident.