

Prescott Area Wildland Response Group

Extended Attack Dispatch Order Process

1. AIDC contacts PRCC as per appendix A of Mobilization Guide.
2. PRCC contacts department that is up on the rotation list according to method preferred by specific department (i.e. Battalion Chief, Fire Chief, Station Phone or Tones).
3. Department contacts PRCC and confirms they are accepting the assignment.
 - a. If department/trainee declines assignment move T-card to bottom of rotation.
 - b. If department accepts assignment, move T-card to assigned resources location on T-card sorter.
4. PRCC contacts AIDC to inform them the order is filled and manifests (resource information i.e. personnel and equipment) will be sent shortly.
5. Departments electronically send AIDC and PRCC resource form Appendix F-1 (if email unavailable, fax is acceptable).
6. PRCC sends courtesy text message to Prescott Wildland Response Group advising which department accepted an order and what type of apparatus responded.
7. PRCC updates rotation list and T-card Tracking System.

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Initial Attack & Immediate Need

Dispatch Order Process

Initial attack is the action taken by resources that are first to arrive at an incident. All wildland fires that are controlled by suppression forces undergo initial attack. The kind and number of resources responding to initial attack varies depending upon fire danger, fuel type, values to be protected, and other factors. Generally, initial attack involves a small number of resources, and incident size is small.

CHARACTERISTICS OF AN INITIAL ATTACK INCIDENT

Resources vary from a single resource (Type 5) to several single resources (Type 4), possibly a single strike team or task force. Normally limited to one operational period for the containment phase. *This IA period should not exceed 24 hours from the initial size up.* Mop up/control may extend into multiple periods. Normally does not require a written incident action plan.

Immediate Need resources are assigned to an ongoing incident of any size that requires any number of resources to assist in order to protect life and property due to current fire conditions. PRCC Dispatchers will assign resources starting at step 2 below.

PRCC Priorities

- 1) **Jurisdiction Determination** – In order to make contact with the most appropriate wildland fire dispatch office, a determination should be made by the Incident Commander of the ownership of the property.
 - a. If the fire is within a municipality, fire district, state trust land (i.e. Glassford Hill) or on other privately held land, the Arizona State Forestry Dispatch Office (Arizona Dispatch) should be contacted and advised of the fire status (impacting structures, resources dispatched and the responsible agency). The AZ State Forestry Duty Officer will facilitate the resource ordering in ROSS with Arizona Dispatch.
 - b. If the fire is on Federal Lands (USFS, BLM, BIA) notify the Prescott National Forest Dispatch (Prescott).
 - c. If the jurisdiction is unknown, request this information from the Incident Commander and notify both Arizona Dispatch and Prescott as soon as practical.
- 2) **Resource Assignment – The Extended Attack process will not apply** and resource requests should be assigned to the closest available unit unless specifically requested by the Incident Commander.
 - a. If local resources are depleted, contact the County-wide Mutual Aid Coordinator for the West Zone. Coordination with the Eastern Zone (Verde Valley) resources will take place through the Zone Coordinators.
 - b. If Yavapai County resources are depleted contact the State-wide Mutual Aid Dispatch Office (Phoenix Fire Department) with resource requests.
- 3) **Backfill Coverage** – These incidents can drain local resource availability. A Support Dispatcher will be needed as soon as possible to help coordinate coverage needs.