



EASTERN AREA OPERATIONS WORKING TEAM

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 To: Eastern Area Interagency Participating NWCG Wildland Fire Agencies
 From: Eastern Area Coordinating Group
 Subject: EACG Type 2IA Faller Standards

The purpose of this message is to convey the standards for fallers on Type 2IA crews being mobilized from the Eastern Area.

When mobilizing Type 2IA crews, all fallers listed on the manifest should meet the FAL2 qualifications. For AD's filling FAL2 positions, the crew manifest will reflect this level for their pay grade.

Type 2IA crews must have the capability to break down into squads and each squad will have a qualified faller. EACG established the FAL2 as the minimum qualification because lower level fallers (FAL3) would not have the capability to handle many of the anticipated activities likely encountered on the fire line or during initial attack.

Crews do not normally need or utilize a higher standard faller (FAL1); however, if on the incident, it is determined that the FAL1 is needed, and is utilized, the incident supervisor and TIME unit can complete a field promotion to compensate the individual for functioning at the higher level.

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