We are Looking to all Non-Fire Employees to

Support Local, Regional, and National Fire/Incident Response Programs.

WHO ARE MILITA?
Militia Support - Militia is defined as an employee who is programmed less than 50% out of preparedness (WFPR) and/or suppression (WFSU) funds.

When the number of wildfires and/or size of those fires exceeds our capacity, it requires additional firefighters and support capacity (finance, dispatch, plans, logistics, public information) personnel to sustain our incident management needs.

WHAT TYPE OF ASSIGNMENTS COULD I BE SENT TO?
Employees are normally dispatched to wildfires and prescribed fire assignments. However, the Forest Service supports FEMA and is often tasked with assisting with Presidentially declared disasters and emergencies. Examples include floods, hurricanes, tornadoes, ice storms, and Covid-19.

ARE ANY OF THESE POSITIONS VIRTUAL?
Yes, due to Covid-19 there has been an increase in using virtual positions whenever possible. You could be working from your home. Most positions still require travel to the incident, and often tent camping in a fire camp setting. Discuss with your training officer or fire management staff for more details.

WHERE WILL MY SKILL SET FIT?
Below is a small list of entry level positions that may be equal to or similar to your current agency work being completed at the Forest or Regional program level. These positions are available to employees with no current Incident qualifications. If you would like to look further into incident positions, please click on the NWCG link below. (https://www.nwcg.gov/positions).

1. COMMAND:
   a. Public Information Officer (PIO)
   b. Agency Representative (AREP)
   c. Liaison Officer (LOFR)

2. OPERATIONS:
   a. Staging Area Manager (STAM)

3. FINANCE/ADMINSTRATION:
   a. Claims Specialist (CLMS)
   b. Compensation/Claims Unit Leader (COMP)
   c. Cost Unit Leader (COST)

4. LOGISTICS:
   a. Security Manager (SECM)
   b. Logistics Section Chief Type 3 (LSC3)
   c. Equipment Manager (EQPM)

5. AVIATION:
  a. [Unmanned Aircraft Systems, Data Specialist](#) (UASD)

6. PLANNING:
  a. [Planning Section Chief Type 3](#) (PSC3)
  b. [Interagency Resource Representative](#) (IARR)
  c. [Infrared interpreter](#) (IRIN)

IS THERE FUNDING AVAILABLE TO HELP?
There is funding available to attend fire related training and fitness testing for militia personnel for fire. Militia employees shall coordinate with thier local fire management staff prior to using this code.

Allowable expenditures:
  1. Salary, tuition, and associated travel related to attending training. Fuels-funded personnel may use funding for training and qualifications that are not a requirement for their regular position (PIOF, SCKN, PTRC, EQTR, etc.) but are sought to provide incident response capabilities.

  2. Salary for taking the Work Capacity Test (WCT). Funding is available when a function is specific to incident management for fire/all-hazard if there is an aspect of training in the function (fire courses, Incident Business Meeting, IMT meetings, etc.). This is consistent with the intent of FSH 6509.11g, Chapter 50 and it is appropriate to use the militia training code.

  Militia training code: WFSUTR21 - 0901
  AD training code WFSUAD21 - 0901
  Medical Exam   WFSE2521 (1325)

Further Job Code Information can be found at: [Incident Business management](#)

I AM INTERESTED, WHAT IS MY NEXT STEP?
If you are located on a National Forest, contact your local Fire Management Staff and work with them on where you feel you could fit into the program. If you are an Eastern Region employee working in the Regional Office or detached, the Northern Research Station, or State & Private Forestry, contact one of the Regional Training Specialists:

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Some of these positions require the following training: ICS-100, ICS-200, ICS-300, ICS-400, IS-700, L-180, S-130, S-190, and/or S-203. ICS-100, L-180, S-130, and S-190 are all components of basic firefighter training.

Links to start obtaining training towards position qualifications:

➢ ICS-100, ICS-200, and IS-700 can be taken online, and can be found here: https://training.fema.gov/nims/

➢ L-180 and S-190 can be taken online too through the National Fire Academy (NFA), and you can sign up here: https://nfa-hcm03.ns2cloud.com/learning/user/selfRegisterInit.do

➢ S-130 requires a field component. So, you can take the online course on the NFA site, but you will also need to participate in a field day exercise to complete the training.

➢ All the other courses (ICS-300, ICS-400, S-203) are in person trainings, and you can find units or areas that are hosting them on the LMS site https://wildlandfirelearningportal.net/login/index.php