



Region 4  
Forest Service

Boise  
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**Date:** March 20, 2024

**Subject:** Luck Runs Out Completion Memo

**To:** Students / Agency Training Representatives

The following individuals have successfully completed a Mission-Centered Solutions, Inc. (MCS) one-day program **Luck Runs Out** on Making Effective Risk Decisions at the Crew Level. Hosted by the Boise National Forest on March 20, 2024, in Boise, Idaho.

**BLM/Vale District**

Eric Gordon

**Idaho Department of Lands**

Brian Tierney

Todd Wright

**FS/R4 Boise National Forest**

Brek Bass

Colby Bertalotto

Deon Berner

Jonathan Blodgett

Dan Crowell

Todd DeMasters

Robert Dlouhy

Tanner Hansen

Adele Fenwick

Dean O'Bourke

Calvin Saenz

Chase Spencer

Instructor was *Don Whittemore*, a Senior Consultant with MCS.

Objectives for *Luck Runs Out* include: Applying critical thinking to analyze the incident environment; Identify, analyze and prioritize Values at Risk (VaR); Develop task, purpose and end state for each tactical task assignment; Clarify vague or unclear leader's intent; Conduct a formal risk assessment of an assignment; Analyze risk vs. gain and determine acceptable risk for each assignment; Effectively communicate leader's intent and associated risk; Negotiate risk decisions with incident supervisors; Use objective data in implementing Assignment Turndown Protocol and Developing trigger points to implement contingencies.

This course currently does not exist in IQCS/IQS, it is being recommended that students be awarded this External Training competency as "*MCS Luck Runs Out 8hr*".

This completion memo will serve as supporting documentation; no certificates of completion have been issued.

Questions regarding this course should be directed to the Course Coordinator, Julia Figgins at (208) 373-4180, [julia.figgins@usda.gov](mailto:julia.figgins@usda.gov).