

## Fire Danger/Staffing/Response Quick Reference

The Teton Interagency Fire Danger Operating Plan (FDOP) is intended to document a decision-making process for agency administrators, fire managers, dispatchers, and firefighters by establishing interagency planning and response levels.

The Fire Danger Rating Areas are the Teton, Wind, and Wyoming FDRA for Grand Teton Park and the Bridger-Teton Forest.

The components of the Plan are organized in the diagram to the right in how they relate to local fire response.



### Definitions

**Preparedness Plan** provides management direction given identified levels of burning conditions, fire activity, and resource commitment, and are required at national, state/regional, and local levels. Preparedness Levels (1-5) are determined by incremental measures of burning conditions, fire activity, and resource commitment

**Staffing Plan** describes escalating responses that are usually noted in the FMP. Mitigating actions are designed to enhance the unit’s fire management capability during short periods (one burning period, Fourth of July or other pre-identified events) where normal staffing cannot meet initial attack, prevention, or detection needs. We have identified 6 staffing levels.

**Preparedness Levels often get confused with Staffing Levels. Staffing Levels are intended to help with short-term decisions, while Preparedness Levels incorporate stable variables to help with long-term decisions, such as the need to request severity funding or activation of public-use**

**Initial Response Plan** includes run cards that are guidelines for initial response actions and are based on TIF mapped FDRAs and FMUs. Responses vary by staffing level and location.

**Adjective Ratings are** a public information description of the relative severity of the current fire danger situation in a general area. Adjective Ratings are generally posted on signs as visitor enter public lands or at agency offices. Many people associate these signs as "Smokey Bear signs"

### Staffing Level Work Sheet

Energy Release Component Model G											
	0-18		18-32		32-46		46-60		60-68		68+
Teton											
Wind											
Wyoming											
	↓		↓		↓		↓		↓		↓
High Risk Triggers Defined by GBCC 7 Day Outlook	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	
Staffing and Dispatch Class	I	II		III Lo		III Hi		IV		V	

**Duty Officers have the desecration to “step up” staffing for increased human caused risk, such as 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Pioneer Days, or opening of hunting season.**

## Initial Attack Resources Staffing and Minimum Draw-Down

Unit/FDRA	SL I	SL II	SL III Low	SL III High	SL IV	SL V
TIF Area Wide Resources Stage as appropriate	0** Helicopter	1 T3 Helicopter	1 T3 Helicopter with two loads	1 T3 Helicopter With two loads	2 T3 Helicopter (3 loads) 1 WFM or T2IA Handcrew  Two ICT3s  Consider Air Attack Preposition	2 T3 Helicopter 1 WFM or order T2IA Handcrew Consider Air Attack Preposition  Two ICT3s
	Two IA Modules TIF wide					
Teton			1 Engine any type	1 Engine any type	2 modules at least one is an engine	2 modules, at least one is an engine
Wind			1 Engine any type	1 Engine any type	1 engine any type	2 modules, at least one is an engines
Wyoming			1 Engine any type	1 Engine any type	2 modules, at least one must be an engine	3 modules, at least two are engines

## Management Staffing

Unit	SL I	SL II	SL III Low	SL III HI	SL IV	SL V
Unit wide	Forest, Park Superintendent and Rangers (or acting) notify Dispatch					
	Unit Duty Officer		Unit Duty Officer	Unit Duty Officer	Unit Duty Officer	Unit Duty Officer Consider extra position
Zone			1 Duty Officer/ Zone	1 Duty Officer/ Zone	1 Duty Officer/ Zone	Consider 2 Duty Officers/Zone
Cache	Fire Cache on call schedule for weekends		Fire Cache on call schedule for weekends	7 day Staffing	7 day staffing	7 day staffing
Dispatch	Daily Fire Weather Forecasts		Aviation Desk staffed daily	2 IA Dispatchers		

## Preparedness Worksheet

Energy Release Component Model G								
Teton	0-15	15-30	30-61	61-69	69+			
Wind	0-16	16-32	32-64	64-73	73+			
Wyoming	0-16	16-33	33-66	66-73	73+			
	↓	↓	↓	↓	↓			
Local Fire Activity	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES
Preparedness Level	I	II	III	IV	V			
<p><b>Local Fire Activity Guideline is defined as 2 or more Type 3 fires, or 1 or more type 1 or 2 fires or multiple initial attack fires</b></p> <p><b>When FDRAs indicate different Preparedness Levels, Duty Officers will determine Preparedness Levels by consensus.</b></p>								