

2026 Northeast Washington Interagency Run Cards – Non-Wilderness

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RUN CARD LEVELS	RUN CARD LEVEL 1-2		RUN CARD LEVEL 3		RUN CARD LEVEL 4-5	
RESOURCES	Send	Consider	Send	Consider	Send	Consider
DO / FIRE MANAGER	Notify		Notify		Notify	
IA IC ¹	1		1		1	
ENGINES / IA HANDCREW MODULES ²	1 (May be either engine or module)	1 (May be either engine or module)	2 (At least one should be an engine)	2 (May be either engine or module)	3 (At least two should be engines)	3 (May be either engine or module)
INVESTIGATOR ³	1		1		1	
OVERHEAD		1		1		2
DOZER w/HEQB				1	1**	
AIR ATTACK				1	1	
JUMPERS/RAPPELLERS						YES
TACTICAL AIRCRAFT ⁴				RCL 3:	RCL 4:	RCL 5:
				consider 1	consider 2	send 2

This staffing matrix applies to the initial dispatch of single incident wildfires while resources are in-service during “Normal Dispatch Procedures” and based on resource availability. Run Cards are not utilized during “Duty Officer Dispatch Procedures” or for discretionary smoke reports such as fires reported by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA); campfires; or recreation or debris burns, based on the report. For discretionary smoke reports, Dispatch will coordinate with duty officers/100s for response. For wildfires, Dispatch will send the closest forces in accordance with the staffing level and within areas of protection. Duty Officer (DO)/100, NEWICC Coordinator, and/or IC may adjust the Run Card after gathering intelligence regarding the incident. Resources listed under “Consider” will function as prompts for the DO/100, IC, and Dispatch. **If systems generate inaccurate levels from RAWs stations/FEMS or technical problems, the Duty Officers/100s for the affected response zones will be consulted to determine the appropriate Run Card Level. If consensus cannot be reached by DOs/100s, the Operating Group will be consulted to determine the appropriate Run Card Level.**

¹ Consider sending an IC to free up that responsibility from engine boss/captain.

² IA HANDCREW MODULE = Handcrew or Squad. Includes 10-person handcrew module, wildfire suppression module, inmate crew, or 20-person IA crew if available for IA and as indicated by DO.

³ Once IC determines the fire is human-caused, INVF will be assigned by Duty Officer regardless of staffing level.

⁴ Tactical aircraft include Rotor-wing and Fixed-wing assets under NEWICC’s control. Closest available tactical aircraft will be dispatched, along with the Air Attack Platform if available. Ground resources will be dispatched FIRST, then the closest unit identified as Air-to-Ground contact for aviation.

** For NPS lands & National Wildlife Refuges, Minimum Impact Suppression Tactics (MIST) are recommended; authorization is required before utilizing heavy equipment and/or retardant. For imminent threat to life/infrastructure, dozer operations can be implemented without delay but with all efforts to expediently obtain approval.

Wilderness Areas (includes “De Facto” Wilderness) –

COF Salmo-Priest Wilderness & Pasayten Wilderness

Strategic Response Zones (Wilderness)			
Response Level	Low	Moderate	High
Run Card Level	1 - 2	3	4 - 5
Engine or Module	1	1	2
IA IC	1	1	1
Jumpers/Rappellers	Consider (per DO)	Consider (per DO)	Consider (per DO)
Aerial Detection	1	1	1

WA DNR Loomis NRCA & Chopaka NAP

BLM Chopaka WSA

USFWS Little Pend Oreille Refuge WSA

Strategic Response Zones (NRCA/NAP/WSA)			
Response Level	Low	Moderate	High
Run Card Level	1 - 2	3	4 - 5
Engine or Module	1	2	3
Jumpers/Rappellers	Consider (per DO)	Consider (per DO)	Consider (per DO)
Aerial Detection/ATGS		Consider 0-1	Consider 1