

S-244, Field Observer

2007 Tuition for students from non-sponsoring units: \$180

28 hrs

Course Description

This course provides students with the skills necessary to perform as a Field Observer (FOBS) and/or a Fire Effects Monitor (FEMO). Topics include roles and responsibilities of the FOBS and FEMO; how to make observations and document those observations; how to produce hand drawn and GPS field maps; and how to navigate using a compass and GPS. The navigation unit has 4½ hours of field exercises and the final field exercise is 8 hours. For pre-course work, students need to read and complete exercises in *Basic Land Navigation*, PMS 475.

Objective

- Demonstrate skills and knowledge to gather and report information for incident planning.

Course Components and Hours to Complete

Pre-selection assessment N/A

Pre-course work 8

Online training N/A

Instructor-led training 20

Total Hours 28

Target Group

Personnel desiring to be qualified as Field Observer (FOBS) and/or Fire Effects Monitor (FEMO).

Course Prerequisites

Successful completion of S-290, Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior.

Successful completion of pre-course work.

Basic understanding of how to use a GPS receiver.

FOBS: Qualified as any Single Resource Boss.

OR

FEMO: Qualified as a Firefighter Type 2 (FFT2).

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