

National Park Service Wildland Fire Modules

The primary mission and priority of the NPS modules is to provide skilled and mobile personnel to assist with Wildland Fire Managed for Multiple Objectives in the areas of planning, fire behavior monitoring, ignition, and holding. Secondary priorities follow in the order below:

- Support burn unit preparation.
- Assist with fire effect plot work.
- Support mechanical hazardous fuel reduction projects.

As an interagency resource, the modules are available nationally throughout the fire season. Each module is comprised of a module leader, assistant leader and three to eight module members. Modules are mobilized and demobilized through established ordering channels through the GACCs.

The Southern Area hosts three NPS Wildland Fire Modules:

- Buffalo River Module – Located at Buffalo National River in Harrison, Arkansas. Dwight Newman is the module leader and can be contacted at (870)446-2747.
- Cumberland Gap Module – Located at Cumberland Gap National Historical Park in Middlesboro, Kentucky. Shane Sturgill is the module leader and can be contacted at (606)246-1082.
- Great Smoky Module – Located at Great Smoky Mountains National Park in Gatlinburg, Tennessee. Shane Paxton is the module leader and can be contacted at (865)430-4754

Note: US Forest Service and state agencies wanting to use these modules must do so via an interagency agreement. DOI agencies already have an agreement in place to reimburse the NPS.