



NORTHERN ARIZONA AREA PREPAREDNESS PLAN

Purpose:

To guide the actions of the member agencies of the Northern Arizona Area to assure an appropriate level of preparedness/readiness for any existing or potential wildland fire situation.

Actions guided by the plan include dispatch, intelligence, operating plans, training, severity requests, restrictions/closures, expanded dispatch, public information, and multi-agency coordination.

Preparedness Levels:

Preparedness levels for the Northern Arizona Area will be determined as follows:

The Area will consist of five (5) units which will report preparedness or staffing levels on a scale of 1-5 to the Dispatch Centers in Williams or Flagstaff, Arizona. These units are:

1. Kaibab National Forest/GCP - North Zone
2. Coconino National Forest
3. Grand Canyon National Park/KNF - South Zone
4. Navajo Regional Office, BIA
5. Truxton Canon Field Office, BIA

A simple majority of the units will guide the area preparedness level. For instance, when three units begin reporting in Level III, the Northern Arizona Area will automatically move to Level III.

Preparedness Level	Description	Management Direction/ Consideration	Responsibility
I	No more than two of the NAA units are in Level II or higher.	Review Area Dispatch procedures and intelligence network. Review Area Operating and Preparedness Plans. Coordinate Area sponsored training.	Area Board Area Board Zone Training Coordinators

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II	Three or more NAA units are in Level II.	Agencies/Units begin daily situation reports to the Dispatch Offices. Dispatch Offices in 7 day coverage. Confirm availability of Type 3 IMT.	Agency FMOs Center Managers Area Board

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III	<p>Three or more NAA units are in Level III</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- or -</p> <p>NAA Units are regularly mobilizing for multiple incidents</p>	<p>Dispatch Centers in 7 day staffing and prepared to go to 24 hour operation.</p> <p>Begin coordination of restrictions and closures.</p> <p>Dispatch Center conf. calls</p> <p>Confirm availability of expanded dispatch personnel.</p> <p>Ensure coordination of aerial detection.</p> <p>Assess & coordinate severity requests.</p>	<p>Center Managers</p> <p>Agency FMOs</p> <p>Center Manager</p> <p>Center Managers</p> <p>Center Managers</p> <p>Area Board</p>

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IV	<p>Three or more NAA units are in Level IV</p> <p>- or -</p> <p>NAA Units are regularly mobilizing for multiple incidents</p>	<p>Establish Area press coordination as needed. (Each agency may continue individual releases, but will coordinate news releases with other Public Affairs Officers).</p> <p>Weekly conference calls to coordinate board contacts and Area activities as needed. Determine the need to establish a MAC Group to review Area activities and priorities.</p>	<p>Agency FMOs Agency PAOs Center Managers</p> <p>Area Chair Area Board Center Managers</p>

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V	<p>Three or more NAA units are in Level V</p> <p>- or -</p> <p>Extremely high commitment of Area resources</p>		

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