

# National Interagency Prescribed Fire Training Center



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## Station Facts

- Established 1997.
- Staff: 4 FTE's (1 FWS, 2 USFS, 1 TNC).

## Station Goals

- Conserve, protect, and enhance Federal trust resources and their habitats including national wildlife refuges, wetlands, endangered species, migratory birds, and interjurisdictional fishes.
- To maintain a national interagency center of excellence for prescribed fire, with an emphasis on actual field experience, in order to increase skills and knowledge and to build confidence in the application of prescribed fire.
- Serve as a national fire resource during national emergencies.

## Service Provided to

- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service field stations.
- Federal, state and local agencies.
- Private citizens.
- Private foundations.
- Universities.
- International resource management agencies.

## Activity Highlights

- Hosted 120 student detailers in FY 02, the fifth year of operation.
- Successfully graduated 500+ student detailers in five years of operation.
- Burned on 30 different ownerships of cooperator/hosts within Florida, Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee in FY 02.
- Prescribed burned about 55,000 acres, with 5,000 acres in the Wildland Urban Interface in FY 02.

- Hosted five 24-day sessions between October and May of FY 02.
- Conducted regional prescribed burn sessions in CA, CO, and AZ in FY 02.
- Taught NWCG prescribed fire courses of RX-300 Burn Boss (2 courses), RX-310 Introduction to Fire Effects, and RX-410 Smoke Management.
- Obtained 5 semester hours apiece of undergraduate college credit for 35 student detailers in FY 02.
- Provided prescribed fire training and experience for refuges in all FWS regions.
- Established national interagency networks between student detailers.
- Completed significant portions of NWCG prescribed fire position taskbooks of many student detailers, including RXB1, RXFM, RXB2, RXI1, RXI2, FEMO, and others. Adhered to national Incident Command System protocols.