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## Teton Interagency Fire Management

Interagency Fire Personnel Participate in All Fire Days Training



The sixth annual interagency All Fire Days training was held on Friday, June 18th in Grand Teton National Park's Beaver Creek employee housing area. The day- long event brought agency wildland fire cooperators together for a task- oriented field exercise day. The objectives of the training were to test skills, reinforce relationships, strengthen communications, and instill safety and efficiency in wildland firefighting.

After introductions, firefighters were welcomed and given expectations for this fire season by both the Bridger-Teton National Forest Supervisor and Grand Teton National Park's Superintendent. Crews then spent the day rotating through work stations. To accommodate the 56 students who were completing their S- 130- 190 Basic Wildland Firefighting week- long course, a series of basic firefighting skills were taught at various locations. Stations included line construction, pumps and engines, shelter deployment, preparedness, communications, and administration. Sand table exercises were held for experienced personnel, including scenarios, pocket guide reviews, and After Action Reviews.

Several weeks later, the All Fire Days training continued for federal and county resources in the Granite Creek area of the Bridger- Teton National Forest. Here, the training focused on initial attack modules and the wildland- urban interface. Crews implemented a running attack and structural protection assessment, participated in helicopter manifest and passenger briefings, reviewed communications and fire conditions, and completed a handcrew exercise.

Grand Teton National Park and the Bridger- Teton National Forest, with local town and county fire departments and state resource agencies, have created a model program that demonstrates the benefits of extensive partnering. The All Fire Days training is an important component in continuing to strengthen the interagency cooperation and communications to maintain a cohesive, integrated program.

