

Structural Fire

National Park Service
U.S. Department of the Interior



Branch of Structural Fire
Division of Fire and Aviation

Structural Fire Fact Sheet

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Leadership

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Mission

The mission of the National Park Service Structural Fire Management Program is to establish, maintain and operate a viable, integrated and multi-disciplinary structural fire protection program to keep visitors, employees, dependents, buildings and cultural resources of the National Park Service safe from fire, life safety and related hazards.

Administration

The National Park Service is the nation's steward for over 26,000 structures, many of them historic; many national icons, such as the Statue of Liberty; and over 80 million artifacts. These structures include hotels; motels; cabins; visitor centers; interpretative centers; and historical buildings, such as Independence Hall and many former presidents' homes. In terms of buildings alone, the National Park Service is the federal government's third largest landlord, behind only the Department of Defense and the U.S. Postal Service.

For More Information

To learn more about the National Park Service Structural Fire Management Program, visit www.nps.gov/fire.

Human Resources

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| Collateral Duty Engine Company Suppression Personnel | 200+ |
| Full-time Fire Department (<i>Golden Gate NRA</i>) | 1 |
| National Program Manager | 1 |
| National Fire Prevention Officer | 1 |
| National Operations Officer (vacant) | 1 |
| National Program Assistant (vacant) | 1 |
| Regional Structural Fire Officers | 7 |
| Regional Structural Fire Inspector | 1 |
| Regional Structural Fire Specialist | 1 |

Equipment

NPS has 23 parks with 71 fire stations and 81 fire engines that are owned by NPS and staffed by NPS employees.

| Park | Region | Park | Region | Park | Region |
|---------------------|--------|-------------------------|--------|--------------------------------|--------|
| <i>Gateway</i> | NER | <i>Mesa Verde</i> | IMR | <i>Kalaupapa</i> | PWR |
| <i>Everglades</i> | SER | <i>Organ Pipe</i> | IMR | <i>Lake Mead</i> | PWR |
| <i>Badlands</i> | MWR | <i>Petrified Forest</i> | IMR | <i>Mount Rainier</i> | PWR |
| <i>Big Bend</i> | IMR | <i>Yellowstone</i> | IMR | <i>Sequoia & Kings Cyn</i> | PWR |
| <i>Bryce Canyon</i> | IMR | <i>Zion</i> | IMR | <i>Whiskeytown</i> | PWR |
| <i>Glacier</i> | IMR | <i>Crater Lake</i> | PWR | <i>Yosemite</i> | PWR |
| <i>Glen Canyon</i> | IMR | <i>Death Valley</i> | PWR | <i>Glacier Bay</i> | AKR |
| <i>Grand Canyon</i> | IMR | <i>Golden Gate</i> | PWR | | |

NPS apparatus staffed and maintained by Volunteer Fire Departments as part of MOU agreement.

| Park | Region | Park | Region |
|-------------------------|--------|--------------------------|--------|
| <i>Acadia</i> | NER | <i>Grand Teton</i> | IMR |
| <i>Mammoth Cave</i> | SER | <i>Rocky Mountain</i> | IMR |
| <i>Buffalo</i> | MWR | <i>Hawai'i Volcanoes</i> | PWR |
| <i>Carlsbad Caverns</i> | IMR | | |



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