

## **S-520 Advanced Incident Management**

**February 28 - March 6, 2010**

**Tucson, Arizona**

### **MISSION STATEMENT / COURSE OBJECTIVES**

#### **MISSION**

- The S-520 Program exists to provide a pool of highly qualified graduates to serve on National Type 1 Incident Management Teams. This is accomplished through a Combination of training, testing, mentoring and sharing of organizational wisdom with a cadre of professional practitioners.
- In accomplishing this, the program will promote national consistency, strategic leadership and continuous improvement in order to advance professional incident management.

#### **VALUES**

- We offer learning opportunities that focus on success and maintain high standards of performance, while honoring the core values of duty, respect and integrity.

#### **COURSE OBJECTIVES**

- Given a simulated Type 1 incident environment.
- Demonstrate the ability to manage risk, think strategically and provide leadership in managing a complex incident.
- Exhibit team behaviors and functional proficiencies of the assigned Incident Command System Command/General Staff position necessary for mission accomplishment.

#### **Target Group**

- Any person needing to complete the formal training requirements for Type I certification as an Incident Commander, Planning Section Chief, Operations Section Chief, Logistics Section Chief, Finance Section Chief, Safety Officer, or Information Officer.

#### **Prerequisites**

- Individuals should be functionally certified and qualified at the Type II level for the position they will be filling at the course. Nominations must be submitted with a current fire qualifications record and with a narrative statement giving a brief background of the person nomination. Include a description of the intended use of the skills developed as a result of attending S-520.

#### **Nomination Process**

- Submit all nominations to the Geographic Area Coordination Groups who will make priority assignments on an interagency basis, and they will send the nominations to NAFRI for selection and notification.

## **UNIT I. PREPARING FOR SUCCESS**

**Tony Doty, Unit Leader**

- Interpret and analyze the key incident management documents, consistent with the roles and responsibilities of your assigned position
- Identify your functional role in the planning process and development of incident objectives and other components of the IAP
- Identify the components of risk management
  - (Red Book, other risk management documents)
- Define strategic assessment and its significance in the complex incident management environment

## **UNIT II. INCIDENT MANAGEMENT AND TEAM INTERACTIONS**

**Dan Oltrogge, Unit Leader**

- Identify and assess influences on incident management and develop strategies for managing them
- Formulate and document a strategic assessment
- Identify best practices for interacting with other Incident Management organizational entities
- Practice strategic leadership in complex incident management
- Identify risk management and cost considerations and *other special considerations* associated with complex incident management

## **UNIT III. TEAM PROFICIENCY**

**Patricia Hiram/Pam Ensley, Unit Leaders**

- Describe effective individual and team behaviors in complex incident management
- Describe the necessary relationships and interdependencies between Command/General Staff functional areas
- Define and contrast the complexity of roles and responsibilities for Command/General Staff positions at the Type 2 and Type 1 Incident Management level
- Define the functional requirements of the assigned positions on the Command/General staff at the Type 1 incident level
- Acquire best practices for complex incident management for each functional area from current practitioners

## **UNIT IV. PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

**Steve Frye/Larry Sutton, Unit Leaders**

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