

### **GENERAL suggested assignment response personal items:**

Before you come it is important that you obtain and assemble what you will need you're your tour of duty. The items necessary will vary based on what you have been requested to assist with. In general, site specific personal protective equipment (tyvek, gloves, etc.) will be provided, but on large incidents like this, the choice of sizes is often limited. In addition, you may be deployed in a remote location where you can't run to the neighborhood store to resupply. Consider coming "over-prepared." Bring at least a hat or uniform shirts with the FWS logo. It will be hot and muggy – bring field clothes that can be washed by hand and will quickly dry. Consider wicking tee's, and overshirts with UV protection built in. Bring plenty of your own stuff for anything you want to fit (boots, socks, etc.). Think "camping" if you are being deployed to one of the remote locations.

### **ESSENTIAL**

- Proof of incident specific qualifications or training required for the incident and any Service Certifications (i.e., hazwoper, heavy equipment operator, MOCC, etc.)
- Government ID card
- Drivers License
- Prescription Medication (and other personal supplies ladies)-enough for 14 day assignment plus travel (recommend a 35 day supply).

\*\* Fully-enclosed shoes, i.e. no sandals, wading shoes containing openings/gaps

### Miscellaneous Items (suggested):

- Assorted pens, pencils, felt tip markers, highlighters, write-in-the-rain note pads, clipboard
- Calculator
- Small flashlight (extra batteries or wind up)
- Headlamp
- Personal toiletries (soap, shampoo, conditioner, TP, towel, shower shoes, etc.)
- Alarm clock
- Camera
- Field vest
- Insect repellent
- Sunscreen
- Hat (Protection from heat and sun)
- Sunglasses (polarized if boat operations)
- Leather and rubber boots (shore or flight assignments)
- Leatherman or pocket knife (in your checked baggage!)
- Local area maps
- Road atlas
- Pocket Calendar
- Personal cell phone or calling card
- Raingear

- Waterproof bag
- Frameless soft back pack or fanny pack (containing “suggested”)
  - Re-usable water bottles, camelback, emergency rain cover, personal first aid kit, aspirin (or headache tablets of choice), benadryl (paste), etc.
    - Think of items carried on field surveys (flagging tape, ziploc bags, zip ties, etc.).

Additional items and equipment you may **have been authorized to bring** (listed on your resource order)

- Government Cell Phone
- Global Positioning System (GPS) unit
- Binoculars
- Laptop computer with useful electronic forms

If you are NOT from the area checking information about the following should help you determine specific items you decide to bring

- Type of incident (flood, fire, hurricane)
- Current situation (heavy mobilization or getting ready to demobilize)
- Weather (hot, cold, wet, dry)
- Terrain (sea shore, swamp, wetlands, mountains, desert)

NOTE\* Please contact someone actually at the incident that you would be working with to answer any additional questions.