# ADDENDIX 1 TO EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION #4 WILDLAND FIRE

**PRIMARY AGENCY:** 

State: State Land Department

**SUPPORT AGENCIES:** 

State: Registrar of Contractors

**Department of Corrections** 

Division of Emergency Management

State Fire Marshal

Game and Fish Department

**National Guard** 

Department of Health Services Department of Public Safety

Federal: Federal Emergency Management Agency

National Weather Service

Volunteer: American Red Cross

Arizona Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster

#### I. INTRODUCTION

# A. Purpose

- 1. Coordinate state wide resources utilized for combating wildland fires.
- 2. Suppress wildland and structural fires when such fires are likely to result in a declared emergency/disaster.

# B. Scope

Manage and coordinate fire service activities including the detection and suppression of fires on state and private lands.

# II. SITUATION AND ASSUMPTIONS

- **A.** Wildland fires may reach such proportions as to become an emergency/disaster. If not promptly controlled, even small fires can threaten lives and cause destruction of improved property.
- **B.** State Land Department (SLD)-Fire Management Division (FMD) has a mobilization plan for the suppression of wildland fires occurring on state or private land.

- **C.** ADEM, as well as other state and federal agencies, will provide assistance to SLD upon their request.
- **D.** ADEM is responsible for planning for state response to natural and human caused fires, and supporting SLD-FMD in its wildland fire planning and response activities.
- **E.** Fire service resources will be obtained from fire service agencies that have indicated to SLD, AFCA and/or ADEM in writing that they desire to participate with the state in emergency situations.

#### III. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

- **A.** When a wildland fire threatens to cause a major emergency/disaster, the SLD will notify the Director, ADEM, who, if the situation warrants, will open the SEOC.
- **B.** If the event exceeds, or is expected to exceed, the state's capabilities and resources, ADEM will facilitate the preparation and submission of a request for federal fire suppression assistance.

### IV. ORGANIZATIONAL ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

# A. State Agencies

- 1. **SLD-FMD** is responsible for maintaining the State of Arizona Fire Management Mobilization Plan and responding to needs arising under this plan, and will:
  - a. Assess and respond to wildland fire situations;
  - b. Manage response to wildland fires, requesting assistance from local/state/federal agencies;
  - c. Maintain contact with the SEOC, advising of resource needs and mission status;
  - d. Develop internal and external alert notification procedures;
  - e. Manage the Governor's Emergency Fund for wildland fires;
  - f. Maintain emergency rental agreements with local firefighting resources;
  - g. Coordinate continuing actions in wildland fire situations; and
  - h. Develop operational procedures to include:
    - (1) Expenditure documentation;
    - (2) Identification of key State Fire Marshall (SFM) personnel; and
    - (3) Operational checklist development.

# 2. **Registrar of Contractors** will:

- a. Access registered contractor support;
- b. Provide construction inspectors to assess safety of structures; and

c. Advise the public about hiring contractors during the recovery period.

# Arizona Department of Corrections will:

- a. Provide volunteer fire fighting personnel (certified wildland firefighter inmates from minimum security facilities).
- b. Provide vehicles, water trucks and construction equipment.

#### ADEM will:

- Activate the SEOC to provide coordination of state non-fire support resources when a wildland fire threatens to result in an emergency/disaster;
- b. Provide support and coordination of resources;
- c. Provide alert notification; and
- d. Develop operational procedures to include:
  - (1) Internal and external alert notification;
  - (2) Expenditure documentation; and
  - Operational checklists.

#### SFM will:

- a. Assist SLD-FMD in maintaining emergency rental agreements with local fire jurisdictions for use during fire emergencies/disasters.
- b. Develop operational procedures to include:
  - (1) Identification of key personnel;
  - (2) Alert notification;
  - (3) Documentation of expenditures; and
  - (4) Operational checklists.
- c. Provide training and certification for high angle/low angle rescue, white water rescue, structural fire fighting and basic wildland fire fighting for national Red Card certification.

## 6. **Game and Fish** will:

- a. Respond to fire threats of fisheries or hatcheries;
- b. Respond to movements of wildlife into inhabited areas due to fire/threat in their home territory;
- c. Provide peace officers to control traffic; and

- d. Provide transportation resources.
- 7. **National Guard** will support SLD by activating appropriate National Guard emergency response plans, and will:
  - a. Provide personnel to the SEOC upon request;
  - b. Coordinate activities/missions with ADEM;
  - c. Develop operational procedures to include:
    - (1) Staffing of SEOC;
    - (2) Activation of Guard personnel/units;
    - (3) Documentation of expenditures; and
    - (4) Development of operational checklists.

# 8. **Department of Health Services** will:

- a. Identify additional emergency medical services;
- b. Identify special needs/supervised facilities that may need to be evacuated/sheltered;
- c. Provide epidemiologist to evaluate smoke hazard; and
- d. Provide state laboratory services.

# 9. **Department of Public Safety** will:

- a. Assist with the security of evacuated areas;
- b. Provide rotary and fixed wing aircraft;
- Provide crime laboratory support for evidence collection, body identification and notification of next of kin;
- d. Provide hazardous materials teams: and
- e. Provide teams to establish and staff roadblocks.

# 10. Other state agencies will:

- a. Provide personnel equipment and other resources on request of SEOC or SLD;
- b. Identify key personnel for alert;
- c. Develop procedures for documentation of expenditures;
- d. Develop operational procedures; and
- e. Develop operational checklists.

# B. Federal Agencies

- 1. **FEMA** will activate FRP-ESF #4, Firefighting Annex.
- 2. **National Weather Service** will provide fire-weather forecasting.

# C. Volunteer and Private Agencies

# American Red Cross will:

- a. Provide reception and care centers (see ESF #6 Mass Care).
- b. Request baby sitting assistance through the Arizona Voluntary Organizations Active in Disasters for emergency service workers as well as evacuees. (See ESF #6-Mass Care).
- 2. Local medical facilities (private and public) will provide medical care for casualties (see ESF #8 Health & Medical Services).
- 3. Food service facilities, hotels/motels, etc. under contract with the SLD will provide support.

# V. Notification

Wildland fire notifications will generally come from the SLD. The SEOC will make notifications upon request of the SLD.

# VI. PLAN DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE

SLD in coordination with the ADEM is responsible for the development and maintenance of this Appendix.