



# USDA Forest Service Fire and Aviation Management Briefing Paper



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**Topic: Emergency Support Function #4 Assistance to FEMA and National Response Plan**

**Issue: Interagency Support to Hurricane Katrina**

## **Background:**

**Hurricane Katrina current situation – New Orleans and Biloxi continue to experience severe problems with power, water, fires, building collapses, flooding and numerous people needing help. Resources are being ordered from all agencies.**

## **Key Points:**

### **Interagency resources assigned:**

- ESF-4 is staffed at the National Response Coordination Center (NRCC) and the FEMA R4 and R6 Regional Response Coordination Centers (RRCC).
- ESF-4 is staffed on the Emergency Response Team (ERT-A) at Clayton, AL and Jackson, MS.
- Twenty four hand crews have been ordered for FEMA region six
- Area Command Team enroute to Atlanta.
- One Planning Group is in place at the Long Term Recovery Center (LTRC) in Orlando, FL.
- Logistics Management Teams are in place-1 at Camp Beauregard, 1 Maxwell AFB, 2 at Meridian and 1 at Barksdale staging area.
- Four Type I IMTs have been activated. One team (IC Custer) will be establishing a Base Camp at Port Allen near Baton Rouge, LA, The other team (IC Quesinberry) will be at the Logistics Staging area at Jackson, The third Type 1 team (IC - Pincha- Tulley) was briefed and will be establishing a base camp at the Stennis NASA site in Mississippi. The 4<sup>th</sup> Type 1 Team (Gelobter) is enroute to Jackson.
- Ten crews have been ordered for FEMA region 4 and will be going to Meridan.
- We anticipate 2 more Type 1 IMT orders today.

Based on the current situation it is anticipated that there will be additional resource requests to ESF-4.

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