

Scenario – Communication



Scenarios are situations that can arise on a Wildland Fire or Aviation incident and are meant to add a realistic setting for the application of Today's Safety Discussion.

In this scenario you will assume the role of crew boss as the incident transitions from Initial Attack to a large fire. Your challenge is to ensure that a communications are always in place. Under ideal conditions the list of "what to do" is easy... under less than ideal conditions you are faced with many challenges. Listed below are just a few of those challenges. Discuss them with your crew and share some of your experiences.

Initial Attack Challenges:

1. Does everyone understand the frequency management plan, especially non-local resources?
2. How do you ensure that firefighters without radios have the latest critical information?
3. Have you ever encountered non-compatible radio systems? If so how was this overcome?

Share communication challenges that you have experienced on an Initial Attack Incident. What were the solutions that you used?

Large Fire Challenges:

1. What do you identify as your priority frequency?
2. How do you establish effective communication with people you've never met and are depending on, such as air attack?
3. How are communications different with air vs. ground resources?

Share your communication challenges on a large fire.

Have an idea? Have feedback? Share it.

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