

## ***After Incident Report Lessons Learned Center***

The purpose of the After Incident Report is to identify issues that occurred on an incident and how they were resolved. The lessons learned in the report will also be used to refresh or update training curriculums. Issues and trends that are identified may have Information Collection Teams assigned to them in the future for further analysis and resolution.

Type I – V Incident Commanders and Agency Administrators are requested to complete the following questionnaire for the incident(s) that they managed. Crews and single resources are also encouraged to complete the questionnaire for incidents they participated in:

**Incident Name: Big Wash**

**Dates of Assignment: 6/6-11/02**

**Unit or Jurisdiction(s):BLM, UT State, FS      Geographic Area: Eastern Great Basin**

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**1. What was the most notable success at the incident that others may learn from?**  
Concentration on safety, in the face of overwhelming fire run, evacuations and structure protection. Structures were protected, evacuations made with fire immediately upon civilians, and no firefighter (or civilian) injuries occurred during major fire run.

**2. What were some of the most difficult challenges faced and how were they overcome?**  
Inadequate staffing initially, particularly in air operations. We doubled up on existing ASGS and HEB1 staffing, due to availability of two individuals needing recert in those positions. We also ordered AOBD right away, but order not filled until the day of transfer of command.

Logistics a major concern.....location and distance from town; no communication except by satellite phones. We found out that the agreed-upon supply cache (Prescott) was only working an 0800-1700 day, effectively forcing us into a 24+ hr. wait before delivery. (solved by going to EGB Cache/Boise).

Work/rest was a significant issue, with a camp unable to be supplied due to high winds grounding aircraft, and inaccessible terrain. We complied with 2/1 (except for a DIVS), but had to document payment for hours exceeding 16 due to no hot meals/Red Bags.

Extreme drought and fire behavior forced advanced degree of risk management; risk management process severely emphasized by IC, Safety and IMT. (See attached FBAN report.)

**3. What changes, additions or deletions are recommended to various training curriculums?**  
Don't have any from this incident.

4. What issues were not resolved to your satisfaction and need further review? Based on what was learned, what is your recommendation for resolution? N/A

Please submit this report to the Lessons Learned Center at the National Advanced Resource Technology Center (NARTC) attention Paula Nasiatka(pnasiatka@fs.fed.us or Fax 520-670-6413)

**Thank you for completing the report. Others can learn from your experiences.**