

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

The purpose of the After Incident Report is to identify both successes and challenges on an incident that can be used as a learning tool for others. The lessons learned in the report will also be used to improve 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 1-5 incident commanders and agency administrators are requested to complete the following questionnaire for each incident they manage. Crews and single resources are also encouraged to complete the questionnaire for incidents they participated in:

Incident Name: Blackjack Bay Complex (Blackjack02, Bay Creek, Number One Island Fires)

Dates of Assignment: 5/3 – 5/18/02 and 6/13 – 6/25/02

Unit or Jurisdiction(s): Okefenokee NWR (USFWS)

Geographic Area: Southern Area

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1. What was the most notable success at the incident that others may learn from?

Managing a confinement strategy situation safely and successfully while implementing a Unified Command management structure with two state agencies and one other federal agency. Unified Command organizations can be established and function efficiently provided clear delineation of responsibilities is agreed upon.

2. What were some of the most difficult challenges faced and how were they overcome?

Meeting all agency and organizational needs and accomplishing objectives. Establishing direction to suppress fire on private lands and manage fire on federal lands and clearly communicating these needs to all involved parties and gaining full understanding.

3. What changes, additions or deletions are recommended to wild land fire training curriculums?

Providing trainees in incident management training a better understanding of the full range of appropriate management.

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

None

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.