

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: Rodeo-Chediski Complex Dates of Assignment: 6/24 to 7/7/02

Unit or Jurisdiction(s): Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest/Ft. Apache Indian Reservation

Geographic Area: Southwest Area

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1. What was the most notable success at the incident that others may learn from?
 - a. Non-resolution of interpretation of 16 hour/2:1 work/rest ratio policy. We issued a letter/memo to the four IC's letting them know that they were responsible for understanding the intent of the policy, making an interpretation of it, documenting their interpretation, letting everyone working for them know their interpretation, and documenting deviations.
 - b. Providing information regarding the entire fire to news media that were "confined" at an incident command post. We established an information officer at Area Command with the responsibility of obtaining information from the other three incident management teams or ensuring that the other three incident management teams provided representation at the live media broadcasts. This ensured adequate coverage of the entire fire for the period of time when the media was not "free" to roam around to the various ICPs.
 - c. Unique air operations requiring the coordination and cooperation of all 4 incident teams. The TFR was classified as a A(1) which was the first since Yellowstone, 1988, due to the size and complexity of the airspace. All 4 teams went ahead and "zoned" the airspace into 2 sides, East and West. In this manner they shared common air attacks and aviation resources which provided increased airspace safety and utilization of available resources.
2. What were some of the most difficult challenges faced and how were they overcome?

(See 1 a & b above)
3. What changes, additions or deletions are recommended to various training curriculums?

None
4. What issues were not resolved to your satisfaction and need further review? Based on what was learned, what is your recommendation for resolution?

No outstanding issues

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.