

- *Double lunching demobilized AD crews, using ground transportation, caused issues for this camp. Lunches are priced at \$12-\$20 each and ground transportation does not allow for refrigeration. Many crews tossed their lunches in the trash on the way out of camp. Thus wasting, \$240-\$400 per crew.*

- *Orientation sessions were held to present to incoming crews and overhead the many issues related to this unique situation. Local hazards were discussed (snakes, wild feral pigs, etc.), identification of shuttle debris, as well as expected behaviors while in camp.*

3. What changes, additions or deletions are recommended to various training curriculums?

- *Provide orientation for contract vendors and employees of cooperating Agencies. This would provide for consistent application of policies regarding discrimination, harassment, and inappropriate.*

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

- *Fitness standard pre-requisite for all risk incidents: while not your normal fire-line operation, the nature of the work required crews to be in good shape. The rigors of long hours inclement weather, and environmental hazards, such as walking over uneven ground with hidden holes, snakes, and other hazards caused a significant number of injuries. As no physical fitness standards were required for this assignment, it was the overwhelming consensus of many that these all-risk assignments need to require a fitness pre-requisite. "Arduous" may not be necessary, but "moderate" would be the minimum. There were also apparent injuries that were a product of pre-existing conditions. By requiring a physical standard, such conditions would be revealed and consequently inappropriate OWCP claims would be avoided.*

- *Regarding the issue of lunching AD crews returning home: We recommend issuing tickets for a meal at a National franchise (such as Subway, Burger King, McDonalds, Pizza Hut, etc.) to crews prior to departure. This would result in a considerable cost savings to the government.*

- *Round trip tickets: The use of round trip tickets needs further review. Possible resolution would be to add a question about a round trip ticket to the already long list of information required at check-in or don't allow agencies to purchase round trip tickets. While these types of tickets may alleviate the airport search prompted by a one way ticket, the expense and time and frustration that is transferred up and down the dispatch line and Planning and Operations sections on the incident, may not be worth the few minutes it takes to be searched.*

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.**