



UNIFIED FIRE AUTHORITY

MEMORANDUM

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TO: All Personnel

FROM: Division Chief Widdison

SUBJECT: Single Resource/EMAC/Rapid Extraction Module Support (REMS) Participation

This memo is intended to outline the expectations and requirements for participation in Unified Fire Authority's EMAC, Single Resource, MED MOD and Extraction Module Support (REMS) Team participation. It is the intent of UFA Operations, and UFA Wildland Division that participants in these programs be properly trained and qualified for deployment to these types of incidents. Participation in these programs is open to all qualified UFA sworn Firefighters, including day staff; part-time employees are not eligible for participation. It is also essential that individuals who wish to participate in the program be available and willing to backfill empty shifts at home, to permit deployment of resources for interagency response.

For wildfire specific deployments during the 2025 season, all participants must be qualified for their assigned position through the National Wildfire Coordination Group (NWCG). UFA personnel wanting to participate in wildland deployments must be qualified with proper training, experience, and documentation as listed below. All NWCG qualifications will be processed through the Wildland Division and the platoon Wildland Duty Officers in IQS. If you have questions about qualifications or training, please contact your platoon Wildland Duty Officer at Station 103.

For more information about qualification requirements, consult the NIMS Wildland Fire Qualification System Guide (PMS 310-1) which is available online. Other All-Hazards (AH) qualifications are outlined by FEMA in the NIMS National Qualification System which is also available online. As a note, the Wildland Division and the State of Utah Forestry, Fire and State Lands do not certify or track AH qualifications - AH qualifications will not be included on your issued Red Card.

Classes and training opportunities are offered annually through the Utah Fire and Rescue Academy (UFRA) at no charge to UFA employees. A list of offered NWCG courses can be found on the [UFRA NWCG COURSE SCHEDULE](#). The Wildland Division will offer classes related to Single Resource eligibility in Spring 2025 and are outlined in a separate memo.

Unless otherwise indicated, classes are attended on your own time and no department business will be granted. Additional training opportunities will be advertised to the entire department as they are made available. Those interested in becoming eligible for EMAC Deployments are not required to participate in the Wildland Single Resource Program, but must meet minimum requirements for program participation as outlined below:

Single Resource Program and EMAC Deployment minimum requirements:

1. Have a current, valid Red Card issued by State of Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands
 1. Complete the annual Wildland Fire Refresher as assigned on LMS
 2. Complete the Wildland Pack Test annually as assigned on LMS
 3. Complete five-part documentation folder
2. Have documented completion of the following classes as credentials in LMS:
 1. S-130, S-190, I-100, L-180 (or basic wildland firefighter equivalent)
 2. S-131 Advanced Firefighter/Squad Boss
 3. S-260 Interagency Incident Business Management (available on LMS)
 4. S-270 Basic Air Operations
 5. S-290 Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior (available on LMS)
 6. S-215 Fire Operations in the Wildland/Urban Interface
3. Attend the annual Wildland Single Resource Program Orientation (Dates to be determined)

*For specific qualification requirements, refer to PMS 310-1 National Incident Management System: Wildland Fire Qualification System Guide.

It is the intention of the Wildland Division to establish a pool of eligible people for wildfire specific EMAC Deployment in 2025 in a similar manner to the US&R Program. Eligible participants will have an “EMAC” designator added next to their name in Telestaff; participants will be notified through Telestaff when an EMAC deployment request is received. Eligible participants who are not rostered for an EMAC deployment request will be expected to sign up for backfill staffing.

Individuals who have applied for IMT rostered positions (primary, shared, or trainee) must complete the UFA Wildland IMT/Single Resource/EMAC Interest Form. All other interest in the program for 2025 must be expressed by April 15, 2025. Expressed interest, however, does not bind you to participation in either program. To be rostered with either program you must meet minimum requirements as outlined above.

The REMS Team will consist of a four-person team with the following qualifications and training.

- One UFA Captain and/or a Single Resource Crew/Engine Boss, must be Wildland Single Resource qualified, Rope and Extrication Technician, EMT/AEMT/PM, UTV operator and current arduous red card qualification.
- Two Firefighters with Rope and Extrication Technician, EMT/AEMT/PM, UTV operator and current arduous red card qualification.
- One Wildland Single Resource qualified Paramedic, UTV operator and arduous red card qualification. Recommended to have Rope and Extrication Technician.

The MED MOD (medical module) Team will consist of a two-person team with the following qualifications and training.

- One UFA Sworn Firefighter, Wildland Single Resource qualified recommended, Rope and Extrication Technician, EMT/AEMT/PM, UTV operator and current arduous red card qualification.
- One Wildland Single Resource Qualified Paramedic, UTV operator and arduous red card qualification. Recommended to have Rope and Extrication Technician.

The firefighter rope and extrication technicians interested in becoming eligible for a REMS/MED MOD Team deployment are not currently required to fully participate in the Wildland Single Resource Program, but must meet minimum requirements for REMS Team participation as outlined below:

REMS/MED MOD Deployment minimum requirements:

1. Have a current, valid arduous Red Card issued by State of Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands in IQS

1. Complete the annual Wildland Fire Refresher as assigned on LMS
 2. Complete the arduous Wildland Pack Test annually as assigned on LMS
 3. Complete five-part documentation folder to include EMS Qualification, Rope Rescue Technician certification, Extrication Technician certification and Utah Division of Outdoor Recreation (+18 Adult OHV Education Certificate) estimated 30 minute class The website for the class can be found [Here](#)
2. Attend the annual REMS/MED MOD Orientation (Dates to be determined)

It is **recommended** to have documentation of completion for the following classes as credentials in LMS and in IQS:

1. S-131 Advanced Firefighter/Squad Boss
2. S-260 Interagency Incident Business Management (available on LMS)
3. S-270 Basic Air Operations
4. S-290 Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior (available on LMS)
5. S-215 Fire Operations in the Wildland/Urban Interface

Deployment Expectations:

Wildland assignments will be authorized based on current and expected staffing levels. Those individuals who participate in the Single Resource Program who are not deployed on incidents will be expected to sign up for backfill staffing as much as possible during the summer months. Participants will be expected to follow the Wildland Single Resource Standard Operating Guidelines. This document is updated annually and can be found in the file center on LMS.

If you are interested in participation in any of the programs, including IMT rostered positions, please complete the online interest form: [2025 Wildland IMT/Single Resource/EMAC Interest Form](#).