



UNIFIED FIRE AUTHORITY

MEMORANDUM

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April 17, 2026

TO: All Operations Personnel
FROM: Division Chief Widdison
SUBJECT: 2026 Wildland Refresher Training

The 2026 wildland refresher training will consist of four components:

1. LMS assignments completed in the station with your crew
2. Practice shelter deployment
3. Pack test
4. Hands-on multi-company training

1. *LMS assigned training:*

Each individual will be assigned a wildland refresher module via LMS (Target Solutions). The training will consist of viewing the assigned videos and facilitating discussion with your crew. All assignments will be due by May 31, 2026.

2. *Shelter deployment:*

Each individual will be responsible for completing a shelter deployment exercise. This will be done using practice shelters available from your Battalion Chief. This will be documented by showing completion of the LMS assignment.

3. *Pack test:*

The pack test will be assigned through LMS with a due date of May 31, 2026. The pack test can be completed on a course of your choosing (high school track, road course, etc.). A 45-pound weight vest or pack must be worn, and the course must be completed within 45 minutes. Completion is to be documented in LMS. (This year, we have added a link for altitude corrections to adjust the minimum time frame based on the altitude at which the test is performed.)

4. *Hands-on multi-company training:*

Beginning in May, each station will be scheduled to attend the hands-on practical training. These sessions will be held at Camp Williams using on-site assets to simulate a wildland fire. The focus will be primarily on *Initial Attack* operations. Both mobile pumping & stationary pumping tactics will be utilized. Additionally, we will incorporate a drafting station.

Stations have training schedules already on their calendars. Details on units, timeframes, and needed equipment are listed in the station calendar invites. It will also be helpful to review the wildland hose pack information available in the Wildland files in LMS.

All personnel participating in the SR or EMAC program must finish the LMS assignments by May 15, 2026.

If you have any questions, contact your shift Duty Officer:

A Platoon: Captain Adam Halsey

B Platoon: Captain Matt Call

C Platoon: Captain Jesse Carpenter