



TYPE 3 WILDLAND FIRE INCIDENT COMPLEXITY ANALYSIS

Incident Name		Size	
Completed By		Title	

To be completed by the Incident Commander on a developing incident. This tool is intended to evaluate the level of management team necessary and further incident documentation. Check yes or no and total at the bottom.

Fire Behavior	Yes	No
Fuels extremely dry and susceptible to long-range spotting or you are currently experiencing extreme fire behavior.		
Weather forecast indicating no significant relief or worsening conditions.		
Current or predicted fire behavior dictates indirect control strategy with large amounts of fuel within planned perimeter.		
Firefighter Safety	Yes	No
Performance of firefighting resources affected by cumulative fatigue.		
Overhead overextended mentally and/or physically.		
Communication ineffective with tactical resources or dispatch.		
Organization	Yes	No
Operations are at the limit of span of control.		
Incident action plans, briefings, etc, missing or poorly prepared.		
Variety of specialized operations, support personnel or equipment.		
Unable to properly staff air operations.		
Limited local resources available for initial attack.		
Heavy commitment of local resources to logistical support.		
Existing forces worked 24 hours without success.		
Resources unfamiliar with local conditions and tactics.		
Values to be Protected	Yes	No
Urban interface – structures, developments, recreational facilities, or potential for evacuation.		
Fire burning or threatening more than one jurisdiction and potential for unified command with different or conflicting management objectives.		
Unique natural resources, special designation areas, critical municipal watershed, T&E species habitat, cultural value sites.		
Sensitive political concerns, media involvement, or controversial fire policy.		
Score		

3-5 “Yes” boxes checked, request a Type 3 Team

5 or more “Yes” boxes checked, request a Type 2 Team

If there is a valid target relative to a terrorist event or natural disaster, a Type 2 Team may immediately be ordered.

Submit Completed Incident Complexity Analysis with Mobilization Request to the Emergency Operations Center

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