

CALIFORNIA WILDLAND FIRE COORDINATING GROUP



DATE: January 21, 2016

SUBJECT: RT-378 Air Attack Refresher

TO: Course Participant

Congratulations! You have been selected for the ***RT-378 Air Attack Refresher*** to be conducted at the Wildland Fire Training Center, McClellan, CA. The course will begin with "Check-In" at 0800 on the 15th of March, 2016 and continue thru 1800 hrs on the 17th. To receive a certificate of completion for this course, you must attend from the scheduled opening to the scheduled completion; please make your travel plans accordingly.

*There will be an emphasis on technologies during portions of this class, If you own or have access to an IPAD it is requested and recommended that you bring it to the class. There will be opportunities to work with and add various APPS that will be beneficial to your success as an ATGS.

The Objectives of this Course are to:

- Meet the triennial requirement for the USFS and DOI, or three year CDF Air Tactical Group Supervisor (ATGS) recurrence training.
- It does **not** meet the USFS policy requirement of at least one incident assignment, every three years.
- Provide hands on experience using current technology pertinent to Air Attack.

The course agenda is broken up into required and optional elements as per the Interagency Aerial Supervision Guide:

- **Required Elements**
 - Proficiency exercise utilizing “computer based flight simulation and sand table exercises” of moderate complexity.
 - Risk Management.
 - Mission Procedures.
 - Fire Traffic Area (FTA) management.
 - Agency approved CRM refresher.

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•Optional Elements

- Radio programming.
 - Map reading and navigation.
 - Fire and aviation weather.
 - Aviation incidents/accidents from the preceding season (A-200).
 - Payments documents.
 - Contract and fleet updates.
 - Issues and concerns from user groups.
- Conference room presentations that will encompass one full day with all students and cadre on Tuesday.
 - Individual components in breakout sessions for “hands on training, information sharing and technology refresher.”

Pre-study Assignment/Special Student Information:

- Pre-work will be to review the 2014 [Interagency Aerial Supervision Guide](#) .
- Complete the attached re-currency application and turn in by 3/1/2016 per directions below.
- Students are required to bring their ATGS compliment of their “Mission Kit” for use in simulations.
- A Technology station will be on the agenda students that have IPADS are encouraged to bring them as part of your mission kit.

Note

Current trainees as of the release of the 2013 PMS 310-1 ATGS trainees will be required to attend agency approved Crew Resource Management training and adhere to updated currency and refresher requirements. The new requirements for ATGS trainees include Triennial ATGS Refresher Training (RT-378) as well as an Agency Approved CRM Training (See PMS-310-1).

Currently qualified ATGS’s are recognized as such and will follow the new currency requirements as of the transition date of October 2013 to include successful completion of RT-378 Air Attack Refresher. The elements of the refresher training are contained in the Interagency Aerial Supervision Guide Chapter 3.

Tuition Costs:

The cost for this course is \$1,000.00.

The course fee will also be the fee charged for Late Cancellations and No Shows.

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Selections:

Selection notification will be sent by E-mail to your unit's Training Officer. Likewise, information will be posted to the national training website: <http://www.nationalfiretraining.net>.

Student evaluations will be given to those who participate in the computer flight simulations and sand table fire simulation. Evaluations will be sent to the student's home unit.

If you have any questions, please contact Course Coordinator Erik Newell (916) 640-1147 at the Wildland Fire Training Center. Questions for the lead instructor contact Mike Eaton (909) 382-2994

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This Form is due by: March 1st, 2016

California Air Tactical Group Supervisor Re-currency Training Nomination Application.
March 15th – 17th, 2016

Name:

Your mailing Address:

Your email Address:

Your Agency:

Your Agency Address:

Year You Qualified As ATGS/HLCO MM/YY

Your Last ATGS/HLCO Assignment MM/YY

Last Recurrency Training You Attended MM/YY

Are You Currently a Team ATGS? Y/N Team _____

Sponsoring Air Attack Base / Forest _____

Email this form to: meaton@fs.fed.us

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