



Incident Recycling

What You Need to Know for Fire Year 2019

Team Vision: Achieve net zero waste on all large fire incidents by 2030

Team Mission: Integrate sustainable operations BMPs into the fire community

Incident Recycling is 2019 Focus

A "Sustainable Operations in Incident Management Letter of Intent" has been issued from the Acting Deputy Chiefs of National Forest Systems and State and Private Forestry.

A focus for this year is Incident Recycling. The following are some of the highlights from the Washington office letter issued in April 2019.

Delegation of Authority on Incidents

Line officers are requested to include expectations for implementing sustainability Best Management Practices (BMPs) on incidents. The Department of Energy National Renewable Energy Laboratory's "[Opportunities for Energy, Water, and Waste Reduction at U.S. Forest Service Fire Camps](#)" Report is an excellent source of example BMPs. This information will be included in an incoming team's Delegation of Authority and communicated during Incident Management Team in-briefings. Line officers are being asked to provide on-Forest assistance to identify local sustainability resources.

On-site Incident Recycling Blanket Purchase Agreement

The National Greening Fire Team (GFT) is developing an On-site Incident Recycling Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA). The intent of the BPA is for the contractor to provide day-to-day camp waste management thus reducing the labor burden on camp crews, logistics, and facility personnel. See the [GFT website](#) for instructions as to when and how to place an order.

BPA Implementation Guide & Other Support Resources

A BPA Implementation Guide is being developed that will be posted to the GFT website in late May. Information specific to Dispatch, Buying Teams, and Finance is currently posted.

Geographic Areas Covered by BPA

The BPA will be one of the mechanisms for on-site recycling services for the Northwest, Northern California, Southern California, and Southwest Geographic Area Coordination Centers. The BPA is expected to be in service by mid-May.

How to Use the BPA

Incident Management teams should refer to the [GFT website](#) for information on how to issue Task Orders against the BPA.

How Incident Recycling Services can be Ordered if your Incident is Not Covered by the BPA

The GFT is developing a sample Emergency Equipment Rental Agreement (EERA) Specification Sheet for contracted incident recycling to be used when the BPA vendor list is exhausted or in locations where the BPA does not apply. This resource will also be posted on the [GFT website](#) once completed.