

Appendix G CDF Strategic Plan

California Department of Forestry (CDF) utilizes three levels of dispatch and response based upon weather conditions and time of year. The three levels are:

- Low – includes two engines with three personnel each
- Medium – includes three engines with three personnel each, one Battalion Chief, One mid-sized bulldozer, one type III Helicopter, and one 16 person handcrew

High – includes five engines with three personnel each, one Battalion Chief, two medium bulldozers, one AA, two Air Tankers, and one Type III Helicopter

Dispatch levels are based on weather conditions. Low dispatch occurs during the winter months from November through May. Medium and High dispatch occur during the normally declared fire season, June through October. There is some variation in the timing of the dispatch levels, based entirely on weather.

Fire response to the fire management units delineated in this FMP varies by FMU (described in detail in the next section). FMUs 1 through 4 would be addressed by Cajalco Station 4, El Cerritto Station 15 and Station 82, Lake Hills, all in 7 to 10 minute time frame. FMUs 6 through 10 would be addressed by Station 15, El Cerritto and Elsinore Fire Stations in 10 to 15 minutes. FMU 11 would be addressed by Station 61 in Wildomar in 7 to 10 minutes and Station 10 in Elsinore in 10 to 12 minutes. FMU 12 would be addressed by Station 9, Goodmeadow in 7 to 10 minutes and Station 4, Cajalco in 10 to 12 minutes.

There is no automatic aid in place but mutual aid could be requested that would bring in other agency resources from the surrounding jurisdictions such as City of Riverside, Murrieta, Corona and if necessary, from throughout the state.