



CONFIRE

STAFF REPORT

DATE: 9/23/2021

FROM: Art Andres, Communications Director

TO: Administrative Committee

SUBJECT: STRIKE TEAM PERSONNEL TRACKING

RECOMMENDATION

Track personnel and resources portal to portal when assigned to incidents outside the Operational Area (OA) and eliminate the requirement for a daily check in, with status report, to Comm Center while at the incident.

BACKGROUND

CONFIRE is the OA ordering point and processes requests for master mutual aid resources. Currently, once resources are assembled, CONFIRE will track while traveling to and from the incident. Once checked in to the incident, resources report their status and assignment for the operational period daily to Comm Center. This process is outlined in the San Bernardino County Fire and Rescue Mutual Aid Operational Plan: *"When assigned out-of-the-area or on local major incidents, leaders of strike teams ordered through the Op Area dispatch center (Comm Center), shall contact them daily to advise their status. This information will then be relayed to the home departments of those units assigned to the team."*

Once checked in to an incident, the incident is responsible for the resources. Often, due to remote locations, communications are limited, making a daily report to Comm Center difficult. CONFIRE Ops Chiefs has found the current process to be redundant and serve no operational purpose. There are additional data entry requirements into CAD resulting from the current policy which do not support the mission of the incident.