

Godfrey Lessons Learned RX Exercise Instructor Sheet

Facilitator Notes

This Prescribed fire escape review has been completed and is now available on the DNR intranet. More escape reviews will be posted in the coming months. Please refer to the DNR forestry / wildfire page on the intranet to see the list of escape reviews. The sole purpose of escape reviews is to provide information that can add to our own direct experiences by broadening exposure to what can occur. Learning from other experiences may help avoid undesired outcomes. The intent of this report is not to point out 'wrong decisions', but rather it is to use all these individual 'events' to see if there are common themes and/or 'weak signals' occurring with these escapes. The main focus of the analysis was to look for things prescribed fire practitioners could use as they prepare for future prescribed fires. Are there some factors that prescribed fire planners and/or burn bosses have been repeating in isolation? If so, what should be shared with others involved in the planning and execution of prescribed burns to continue to improve outcomes?

Have the students read the prescribe fire report – 15 minutes

Answer the following questions in groups or as a class – 15 minutes

** You may add your own questions or facilitate a group discussion about the report.*

What external factors may have led to the decision to burn on this day?

How can we help mitigate these factors?

What tools exist to recognize changes in the "fire environment"?

How do you determine your contingency plan location and recourses? What factors go into this decision?