**SW Montana Wildland Fire Training**  
**RT-130 Annual Fire Safety Refreshers**

**Tuition is $60**  
(Except: the Lolo NF which has fee waivers in place)

**Dates for 2014**

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**Time:** 8:00-4:30

**Are you prepared and available for early assignments?**

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**THIS YEAR, BRING**
- GLOVES
- HARDHAT
- IRPG

All courses begin at 8:00 and are completed by 4:30, with a one-hour break for lunch.

**All sessions count as the RT-130 Recurrent Training Annual Fire Safety Refresher.**

The intent of annual fire safety refresher training is to focus on decision making issues related to fireline and all-hazard incident safety. It should provide firefighters and support personnel with information regarding current initiatives, the upcoming fire season, new policy or guidance changes, how to recognize and mitigate risk, maintain safe and effective practices, and to reduce accidents and near misses.

- Curriculum for the 2014 refreshers include: Safe driving and fire line operations, and implications of incidents in the Wildland Urban Interface.

- New Topics and National Emphasis Issues include the Yarnell Fire, and honoring the memory of the 19 lost.

- Please bring your 2010 IRPGs with you, as limited numbers will be available.

Do you have questions not covered below?  
Call 243-4638 or email Chris “CJ” Johnson at chrismjohnson@fs.fed.us.
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do I register for the RT-130 class?
Your Fire Training Officer can nominate you through IQCS (Incident Qualification and Certification System) or you can send a nomination form. The SF-182 Form is preferred for Forest Service Employees or use the UM Nomination form - you don’t need to send both forms. If you work for the Forest Service (except the Lolo), you will also need to send a copy of an SF-182 to your procurement person, so he or she can pay the bill. Dan Moe at ACE is the UM/FS point of contact. To make it easier for you, just send a filled out SF-182 to both your procurement person and CJ. Please email a copy to Chris “CJ” Johnson at chrismjohnson@fs.fed.us or fax to 243-2047. Clearly indicate who will be paying the tuition cost so the University can send the bill to the correct person. If you take other training at the UM School of Extended & Lifelong Learning (formerly Continuing Education), you MUST fill out the course nomination form, but we try to make it easier for you to register for the Refresher by just filling out one form.

Employees of the Lolo National Forest do not need to send any payment information. This does not include AD employees who are members of teams; they must still have their tuition paid for. Please get your nominations in as early as possible because classes fill up quickly. Students can sign up at any time, but we would prefer to receive them at least one to two weeks before class begins; however, late nominations will be accepted if there is still room in the course.

Who can attend these courses?
Generally, only agency personnel may attend these classes (Forest Service, BLM, BIA, State & Local Government, Tribal, etc.). There are a few exceptions which include those people who are identified members of specific incident management teams. People who work in other Geographic Areas may attend the courses if there is room; just complete a nomination with the correct billing information on it.

Where can private individuals or contractors get trained?
Private contractors may take refreshers with other private fire training providers. A list is located at:
http://www.fs.fed.us/r1/fire/nrcg/Training_MOU/Northern_Rockies_training_providers.pdf

Where are the courses held?
For 2013, all sessions will be at the University of Montana, James Todd Building, School of Extended Lifelong Learning (formerly Continuing Education) which is on the southeast corner of the University Center. When arriving at the UM along Campus Drive, look for the green metal roofs over the porches on the south side of the building.

Parking?
You will be given a parking permit when you arrive at the course. If you drive, please park in an area with a sign stating “University Parking Permit Required”, and then come inside to get one to put in your car. The permit is not valid in “hourly parking”, “Reserved”, or “Quick Stop 20-minute parking”. If you drive a government vehicle and park in the areas labeled “University Parking Permit Required”, you do not need a parking pass! Parking at the University is often a challenge so come early to find a parking spot, car-pool if possible, walk, ride a bike, take a bus, etc.
**What should I wear?**
For all classes, be sure to wear clothing appropriate for practicing fire shelter deployments, which involves rolling around on the ground. We strongly encourage you to bring or wear your Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), such as gloves, boots, hardhats & fire clothes. You will get more out of the course by practicing shelter deployments with your own PPE.

**Who are the instructors and what sort of experience do they have?**
All of our instructors have many years of fire experience, as well as good instructional and facilitation skills. We try to have at least 2 facilitators for each class, but depending on the fire and burning season, that’s not always possible. Here is a summary of the experience of instructors/facilitators used recently who may be helping out this year if they are available:

**Wayne Williams** retired from the US Forest Service in 2010 following 35 years of service. He served 33 years as a smokejumper in Missoula. Wayne wasted no time and immediately took the position of Fire Program Safety Coordinator for MT DNRC. Wayne is a safety officer, Type 3 IC and Division/Group Supervisor.

**Tony Navarro** is a Missoula smokejumper with a wide-array of fire, teaching, and training experience. The quality of his instruction is matched only by his level of preparation. He serves Type 3 organizations as a Safety Officer and Division/Group Supervisor.

**Chris “CJ” Johnson** last acted as district suppression AFMO, and has twenty-five years of wildland fire experience. He is a certified K-12 instructor; he understands how to keep participants engaged in relevant learning. He serves as a trainee Type 3 Incident Commander and as a Division/Group Supervisor.