

Structural Fire

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Structural Fire Fact Sheet

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Leadership

- Harold (Hal) Spencer, Branch Chief, Structural Fire
- Brian Johnson, National Fire Prevention Program Manager
- Vacant, National Fire Operations Program Manager
- Kathy Komatz, Training and Education Program Manager
- Bill Kaage, Chief - Division of Fire and Aviation

Mission

The mission of the National Park Service Structural Fire Program is to establish, maintain and operate a viable, integrated and multi-disciplinary structural fire protection program to keep visitors, employees, dependents, buildings and cultural resources of the National Park Service safe from fire and related hazards.

Administration

The National Park Service is the nation's steward for over 80 million artifacts and more than 29,000 structures, many of them historic, many national icons, such as the Statue of Liberty. These structures include hotels, motels, cabins, visitor centers, interpretive centers, and historical buildings, such as Independence Hall and many former presidents' homes. In terms of buildings alone, the National Park Service is the federal government's third largest landlord, behind only the Department of Defense and the U.S. Postal Service.

Human Resources

Position	Staff
Collateral Duty Engine Company Suppression Personnel	150+
National Program Manager	1
National Fire Prevention Program Manager	1
National Fire Operations Program Manager	1
National Training and Education Specialist	1
National Training Specialist	1
Regional Structural Fire Managers	7
Regional Structural Fire Inspector	1

Apparatus

The NPS has 18 suppression parks with 47 fire stations and a total of 49 structural fire engines, and 2 fire boats, that are owned and staffed by NPS.

Park	Region	Park	Region	Park	Region
Gateway (inactive)	NER	Grand Canyon	IMR	Death Valley (inactive)	PWR
Everglades (inactive)	SER	Grand Teton	IMR	Kalaupapa	PWR
Big Bend	IMR	Mesa Verde	IMR	Lake Mead	PWR
Bryce Canyon	IMR	Yellowstone	IMR	Sequoia & Kings Cyn	PWR
Glacier	IMR	Zion	IMR	Yosemite	PWR
Glen Canyon	IMR	Crater Lake	PWR	Glacier Bay	AKR

NPS apparatus staffed and maintained by Volunteer Fire Departments as part of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) agreements.

Park	Region	Park	Region
Acadia	NER	Mount Rainier (inactive)	PWR
Buffalo	MWR	Mammoth Cave	SER

Region Codes: AKR - Alaska IMR - Intermountain MWR - Midwest NER - Northeast PWR - Pacific West SER - Southeast

For More Information

Learn more about the [National Park Service Structural Fire Management Program](#).



Rocky Mountain National Park engine at fire school, 1937.