Unit Objective:

- Explain the roles, mobilization, and utilization of Fire Prevention Education Teams (FPETs).

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Materials:

For Each Participant

- Instructor should reference the year-end summary on team mobilization to find the latest facts and figures on FPET team use. National information can be found through the NWCG Communication, Education, and Prevention Committee.


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- Review unit objective.
Introduction

Change is always constant. Just the fact that there are more people in the world each day means the potential for careless accidental wildfires increases.

- When you combine this fact with the number of communities popping up near the wildlands, the only thing that will reduce loss are those actions taken before the fire burns.
- Use of FPETs offers a new aspect to the wildfire scenario.
- NWCG Training Courses:
  - P-310, Fire Prevention Education Team Member (PETM).
  - P-410, Fire Prevention Education Team Leader (PETL).
### Utilization – Historical Use Patterns

- **Activation Expectation**
  - Average Fire Prevention Team activation over a 10-year span.

- **Typical Activation Period History**
  - Months where activation can be expected.

- **Months with highest activation requests.**

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**Note to Instructor**

Find the latest facts and figures on team use prior to implementing this unit. National information can be found through the NWCG Communication, Education, and Prevention Committee.
Team Activation

- Teams can be activated (requested and hosted) by any federal or state agency.
- Teams have been activated by USDA-USFS, USDI-BLM, BIA, numerous states, and FEMA.
- Usually, 70% of teams are activated by July-August.
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**Positions and Codes**

- The Core Team is three members but can have up to five.
  - PETL – Fire Prevention Education Team Leader
  - PETM – Fire Prevention Education Team Member
  - PIO – Public Information Officer
  - THSP – Technical Specialist
- Position standards can be found at: [nwcg.gov/positions](https://nwcg.gov/positions)

- Additional positions that can be utilized include:
  - PETL (T) – Fire Prevention Education Team Leader Trainee
  - PREV – Fire Prevention Technician
  - THSP - Public Affairs (agency employee only)

- The actual team composition will be determined by the Team Leader and the ordering unit on a case-by-case basis, to be determined by the needs of the assignment.


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**Note to Instructor**

Research the most recent national mobilization guide to determine if changes to the mobilization system have taken place. Update, as necessary.
When should teams be used?

- Severity Conditions
- Catastrophic Fire Events
When should teams be used? (continued)

- Multiple Fire Occurrence
When should teams be used? (continued)

- Natural Disasters

- Large Special Event Management
What are Teams expected to do?

- Public Awareness
- Public Education
Planning

- Establishing Cooperatives and Partnerships
- Community Protection Planning
### Outreach

- Outreach Campaign Development
- Media Outreach

![One Less Spark, One Less Wildfire](image-url)
### Team Schedule and Mobilization

- FPETs are typically on a 14-day Rotation.
- FPETs will remain in call status for the duration of the 14 days.
- Geographic areas with more than one FPET may decide which team responds to the national call.
- FPETs will be released through established ordering channels.
- Geographic areas should commit all local teams before placing requests to the National Interagency Coordination Center (NICC).
- If the NICC receives a request, the team on the schedule will be ordered.
Review Unit Objective

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