Purpose:

Fire service personnel and apparatus may be called upon by the State of California or the County Fire Service Chief (OES Area Representative) at anytime during times of local, regional or State wide emergencies. The purpose of this policy is to facilitate an orderly and coordinated relief of personnel and resources that have been deployed on intra-county or inter-county Strike Team/Task Force assignments.

Policy:

A. Initial Attack (Intra-County & Inter-County):

1. Committed for the first operational period.
2. Relieved by OES or Local Government Strike Team/Task Forces.
3. Extended use – Strike Team/Task Force Leader shall notify Contra Costa Regional Fire Communications Center (CCRFCC) of the need for relief.
4. CCRFCC will coordinate relief using Planned Need procedures.
5. If incident is in Contra Costa County, relief personnel may be from the on-coming shift personnel.

B. Immediate Need:

1. Personnel committed for a minimum of seven (7) days.
2. Strike Team/Task Force Leaders shall report to CCRFCC at a minimum of once every operational period with status.
3. Extended use – Strike Team/Task Force Leader shall notify CCRFCC of the need for relief.
4. CCRFCC will coordinate relief using Planned Need Procedures.

C. Planned Need:

1. Personnel committed for a minimum of seven (7) days.
2. Strike Team/Task Force Leaders shall report to CCRFCC at a minimum of once every operational period with status.
3. Extended use – Strike Team/Task Force Leader shall notify CCRFCC of the need for relief.
4. CCRFCC will coordinate relief using Planned Need procedures.

D. Commitment for Cal EMA (OES) Owned Apparatus Deployment:

1. Personnel must be able to work a minimum of fourteen (14) days without relief for an intra-state deployment.
2. Personnel must be able to work a minimum of twenty-one (21) days without relief for an inter-state deployment.

E. Maximum Deployment Limits

1. The maximum time that will be allowed for personnel assigned to a Local Government S/T or T/F without relief shall be fourteen (14) days.
2. Under extreme state of emergency, at the request of Cal EMA in coordination with and approval of home agencies, personnel assigned to a Local Government S/T or T/F may be extended to twenty one (21) days without relief.

NOTE: Emergency relief or special circumstances shall be the responsibility of the involved Firefighters own agency.