NWCG CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT ISSUE PAPER #123 MODIFICATION/COMBINATION OF COURSE IDENTIFICATION FOR S-131 FIREFIGHTER TYPE 1, S-133 LOOK-UP LOOK-DOWN LOOK-AROUND, AND S-134 LCES August 20, 2014

BACKGROUND

During analysis of S-133 and S-134 the project teams assigned to these courses compared similarities between these two courses and also looked at S-131. In reviewing the objectives and content for S-131/S-133/S-134 it became evident that considerable overlap existed between these courses. S-131 and S-133 are designed to train Incident Commander Type 5 (ICT5) and Firefighter Type 1 (FFT1) to identify environmental factors and indicators of hazardous fire conditions, and how to use these indicators when implementing the Risk Management Process, of which LCES (S-134) is part.

CURRENT STATUS

S-131 (Firefighter Type 1) is 8 hours & required for ICT5 & FFT1. The target group is an individual who has the ability and desire to become a first level fireline supervisor as a lead firefighter or squad boss.

S-133 (Look Up, Look Down, Look Around) is 2-4 hours & required for ICT5 & FFT1. Target audience is Incident Commander Type 5 (ICT5) and Firefighter Type 1 (FFT1).

S-134 (LCES) is 17 hours, not required and not in the PMS 310-1.

At their May meeting, the Training Committee approved combining the three courses S-131/S-133/S-134 into one course.

RECOMMENDATION

The project revision teams and the Development Unit recommend continuing to use the number and course title, S-131 Firefighter Type 1. The course will be remain as required training for FFT1, and will be an approximately 8 to 12 hour instructor led course. Content from S-133 and S-134 will be built into S-131 as appropriate. At the completion of the revision of S-131, S-133 and S-134 will be removed from the NWCG curriculum.

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