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As of the commencement of aviation operations on 7/29/06 and until further notice, all federal government pilots and vendor pilots of federal aviation contracts, as identified below, are limited to a maximum 12 hour duty day. This restriction is necessary due to the duration and intensity of the fire season, the expectation that workload will remain high; and cumulative fatigue effect of this on our pilots. Additional mitigations to pilot fatigue are available to fire and aviation managers and should be implemented as deemed necessary.

This restriction applies to pilots flying the following wildland fire missions in all Geographic Areas; except the Alaska, Eastern and Southern Areas:

- Large Air Tanker
- Lead Plane
- Aerial Supervision Module
- Single Engine Air Tanker
- Air Tactical Group Supervisor
- Helicopters

This duty day limitation applies to all federal and federally contracted pilots; regardless of the jurisdiction managing aviation operations. State and local flight crews have their own specific flight and duty limitations, but when assigned to federal incidents are subject to this restriction also.

Any questions regarding this should be forwarded to your agency aviation specialists.

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