

False Alarms

Do you have a False Alarm? And you need a FireCode? Follow these simple steps to ensure proper data flow.

Complete header information in the following order:

1. Type = Wildfire and Sub-Type = False Alarm.
2. Discovery Acres are required for Submit.
3. Fill out any remaining header information.

4. Make sure False Alarm has an IrwinID by looking in the IRWIN tab.
5. Request a FireCode from the Fiscal tab if required by the Protecting Agency, ie. DOI.
6. The rest depends on how your center does business.

Note: If you would prefer False Alarm incidents not populate a report of Wildfires, edit the incident Type to Smoke Check and Sub-Type to False Alarm after receiving the FireCode via IRWIN.

For additional details refer to the WildCAD User Guide and the WildCAD Administrator Guide.

Out of Area

Did your folks respond to a fire that turned out to belong to someone else? And you still want to capture the response? Follow these steps to ensure proper data flow and incident duplication resolution.

Once it has been determined the fire is not within your protection area, do the following:

1. Uncheck the box "This Center has primary responsibility".
2. In the "Update From" box, enter the incident number of the legitimate incident and click "Get".

3. The incident name will change the name provided by the the protecting unit in their WildCAD.
4. In IRWIN, the incident type will change from Wildfire to a Support record. (Incident type WF to SU.)

For additional details refer to the WildCAD User Guide and the WildCAD Administrator Guide.

ADS Authoritative Data Source

Authoritative Data Source, more commonly referred to as ADS, is an important part of data exchange. Without it, systems would overwrite each other's data.

WildCAD has the authority for most data elements by default, but, during the life of an incident it is possible to pass the authority over to the 209 for updates.

1. If it is determined the 209 should have the ADS for a time, click the box next to "Give ADS to Sit/209".

2. Make sure the current 209 is not in Draft mode. If there is a draft, approve it prior to checking the ADS box.
3. When it is determined the ADS should be returned to WildCAD, uncheck the "Give ADS to Sit/209" box.

The following list outlines the elements that change when the ADS is switched:

DailyAcres*	OtherStructuresDestroyed	When the ADS is switched, WildCAD will read these * elements, in addition to:
TotalIncidentPersonnel	OtherStructuresThreatened	ContainmentDate
FireMgmtComplexity	EstimatedCostsToDate	ControlDateTime
IncidentCommanderName*	EstimatedContainmentDate	FireOutDate
Fatalities	PercentContained	
Injuries	POOLatitude*	
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ResidencesThreatened		

Incident Complexes

If, after all things have been considered, it is deemed an Incident Complex will be created, follow the steps below to ensure a smooth beginning to the data flow.

1. Create the Incident Complex parent record - it must have a name before moving forward.

2. Ensure an IrwinID has been received.

3. Add incidents to the Incident Complex, one at a time, from Open Incidents to the Incidents tabs in the complex record.

Incident Complexes continued

4. The color of the child incident will not change in the incident window, but if you open the incident, it will denote that it is part of an Incident Complex in the bottom right corner of the header.

5. An Incident Complex cannot be edited in FireCode.

Rules of Complexing

1. Name must include the word "Complex".
2. Cannot be named after an existing wildland fire.
3. Must have at least two child records at time of creation.
4. Must be incident type CX (complex).
5. Cannot be a converted wildfire (incident type WF).
6. There is no limit to the number of wildfires attached to an incident Complex.
7. Incidents may enter and leave the Incident Complex at any time.

Remember, the Incident Complex is simply the **container** for the incidents that comprise the complex.

Note: If an Incident Complex is Voided, the incident number cannot be reused.

Cannot add notes or comments for WildWeb on the Incident Complex, but it is possible to add notes and comments to the incident records comprising the complex.

FireCode

If you need a FireCode for a WildCAD incident, PLEASE use WildCAD and do not log directly in to FireCode.

If you need a FireCode for an incident that is already in IRWIN, but cannot do it from WildCAD, please follow the steps below.

1. Login to FireCode and on the screen to create a new FireCode, click on the BLUE link below the "Create New FireCode" button.

(Optionally, if you would like to create a FireCode for an existing IRWIN incident that does NOT already have a FireCode, click here)

2. Copy and paste the IrwinID from the incident in question and paste into the IRWIN ID box in FireCode. Click "Generate FireCode For IRWIN Incident".

Note: If attempts to edit fields in FireCode are unsuccessful, edits may need to occur in WildCAD or 209, depending on the current ADS.

Example Scenario: If you do not have a CAD, and will need a FireCode for an Incident Complex parent record, follow the steps outlined above. The Incident Complex relationship must be created in 209.

Additional Considerations

What happens if a FireCode isn't showing up? Or data doesn't seem to be flowing through IRWIN? There are a few ways to troubleshoot.

1. Under Utilities -- IRWIN Status, check for incidents awaiting upload to IRWIN.
2. If there is a value in the field, then there are issues with the connection to the server.

3. Sometimes a FireCode does not get returned because a Unit does not have an NWCG UnitID. This must be resolved before a code will be returned.

Unit Code	Describe	Incidents	InchNum	StateCode	LawEnNum	NwCG UnitID	Agency
SNF	Sierra NF	True	0			CASNF	N/A
MAJU	Madura-Margoposa RL	False					N/A
FKU	Fresno-Kings RIU	True				CAFKU	N/A
SQF	Sequoia NF	False					N/A
YNP	Yosemite NP	True				CAYNP	N/A
LUR	San Luis NWR	True	0				N/A
FSO	Fresno Co Sheriff	False					N/A
MOSD	Madura Co Sheriff	False					N/A
MPSD	Margoposa Co Sheriff	False					N/A
STF	Stanislaus NP	False					N/A
CFG	CA Fish & Game	False					N/A
KNP	Kings Canyon NP	False					N/A

Refer to the WildCAD User Guide and WildCAD Administrator User Guide for additional guidance on WildCAD.

The Data Exchange Environment User Guide is available to explain more about IRWIN and the data exchange environment.

WildCAD and IRWIN

recommendations for working in the data exchange environment