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To: Peter J. Ditton, Acting Assistant Director, Fire and Aviation  
From: John Glenn, Chief, Fire Operations  
Subject: 24-Hour Preliminary Report, Smith's Prairie Smokejumper Fatality

**THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS PRELIMINARY AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

**Location: 45 miles east of Boise, Idaho, near Smith's Prairie**

**Date of Occurrence: September 27, 2013**

**Time of Occurrence: Approximately 1230 hrs MDT**

**Activity: Smokejumping**

**Number of Injuries: 0**

**Number of Fatalities: 1**

**Property Damage (such as to vessels, equipment, and structures): None**

**Narrative:**

A BLM smokejumper was fatally injured when his parachute canopy failed to deploy.

A Serious Accident Investigation Team has been mobilized.

cc: Steve Ellis

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