

	<b>JEFFERSON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES AGENCY COUNTY-WIDE OPERATIONAL GUIDELINE</b>	
	<b>SUBJECT:           Brush Task Force</b>	<b>OG# 11-012</b>
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**PURPOSE:**

This procedure identifies the standards operating guideline that may be employed in establishing a Brush Task Force (TTF) response for brush fires or wildland fires, subsequent to the dispatch of a Box alarm. This provides for appropriate on-scene resources and provides the effective management of personnel and resources, providing for safety and welfare of personnel.

**A Brush Task Force shall consist of the following units:**

- \* Three Brush Trucks
- \* One Tanker

**Communicating a “Brush Task Force”:**

Any officer or unit responding to or on the scene of an incident may request from the EOC that a “Brush Task Force” be dispatched.

*Note: The Brush Task Force is not part of the second alarm. If a second alarm is subsequently Requested, a full alarm assignment in addition to the BTF will be dispatched.*

**Response Assignments of a Brush Task Force:**

**Brush Trucks** – The Brush Trucks shall notify Command that they are responding and shall request an assignment.

- \* The Incident Commander should consider that the Brush Trucks be deployed to appropriate locations for effective operations.
- \* The Incident Commander shall consider the need to keep the Brush Trucks in staging.

**Tanker** – The Tanker shall notify command that they are responding and shall request an assignment.

- \* The Incident Commander shall deploy the Tanker to the appropriate site for filling Brush Trucks.
- \* The Incident Commander shall consider the need to hold the Tanker in staging.

