

	<b>Standard Operating Guideline – West Fargo Fire Department</b>		<b>01.007</b>
	Subject: Mutual Aid Response		
	Section: Deployment and Safety		
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**Intent**

The intent of this guideline is to establish standard procedures for responding to mutual aid calls from neighboring department and for requesting mutual aid from another department.

**References**

**Definitions**

**Guideline**

1. When dispatched to a request for mutual aid by Red River Regional Dispatch (RRRDC), the dispatched unit will respond with on duty staffing.
  - a. In most cases, the requesting department will request a specific resource type, and RRRDC will dispatch to most appropriate, in service and closest unit.
2. If a specific unit or resource type is not requested in the initial dispatch, the on-duty captain will contact RRRDC and determine the resource type being requested.
3. A request to provide mutual aid will trigger an immediate callback for station manning, to provide citywide coverage for additional calls within the city.
4. When requesting mutual aid from other agencies to an emergency scene in West Fargo, the West Fargo Mutual Aid Run Card should be used as the primary identification of mutual aid units. The run card has predesignated cities assigned to positions based on the alarm requested.
5. The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> alarm will bring an additional ladder and two additional engines to the scene, while the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> alarms will bring just two engines to the scene.
6. For each alarm, units are assigned to cover the city in case of additional calls for service not related to the first incident. Because of this, a West Fargo firefighter should be assigned as a “guide” to assist out of city units in navigating to the scene.
7. For needs that exceed the 5<sup>th</sup> alarm resources, the Incident Commander should utilize the list of additional engines and ladders and make those requests specific to RRRDC.

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	FIREGROUND CHANNEL		COVERING CHANNEL		TO FIRE		COVER	
	ALARM	ENGINES	LADDERS	SPECIAL	CHIEFS	ENGINES	LADDER	
1st	WEAR WF	WEAR	WEAR	WEAR	FAR RIT WF	WF BC	WF RURAL	FAR TRUCK
2nd	WF RURAL	FAR ENG		TRUCK	SP HZRD WF	FAR BC WF C2	MPTN ENG	MHD LADD
3rd	MPTN ENG	HOR ENG		MHD LADD	DOC CSTAFF	WF C1	HWD ENG	
4th	HWD ENG	DILW ENG			EOC		CASTN ENG	
5th	CASTN ENG	KINDR ENG					BUFF ENG	
ADDITIONAL	ENGINES: Tower City Hawley	Davenport Sabin Page	Leonard Enderlin Grandin	Authur Gardner	LADDERS: Fergus Falls Grand Forks	Valley City	Bismarck	

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