

SB 6489 - DIGEST

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Requires the department of natural resources, in order to maximize the effective use of qualified wildland fire suppression volunteers, to: (1) Compile and maintain a master list of qualified wildland fire suppression volunteers who have valid incident qualifications for the kind of volunteer work to be performed;

(2) Make the lists of volunteers available to county legislative authorities, emergency management departments, and local fire districts;

(3) Cooperate with federal wildland firefighting agencies to maximize, based on predicted need, the efficient use of local resources in close proximity to wildland fire incidents;

(4) Provide all necessary safety and fire suppression equipment at no cost to each volunteer; and

(5) Maintain its inventory of safety and fire suppression equipment for volunteers in good condition and conduct periodic inspections to ensure safety.