

	<b>MAINTAINING SYSTEM STATUS</b>		<b>2014revB</b>
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## Procedure:

The availability of staffed fire suppression apparatus is one of the most critical components of a successful fire service organization. Staffed apparatus must be positioned properly in order to maintain the agency's ability to quickly and efficiently respond to calls for service throughout the jurisdiction. LFRA personnel and apparatus respond to a high volume of calls at all hours of the day, every day of the week. Additionally, LFRA personnel and apparatus regularly participate in all types of training evolutions to maintain and improve skill mastery.

Fire Officers and Acting Fire Officers shall monitor availability of the apparatus resources in the system throughout the day and shall reposition their apparatus as appropriate according to the following guidelines:

### General Apparatus Positioning Guidelines

Unless assigned to an active incident, no more than three (3) LFRA companies shall be in the same location at the same time.

Exception: Four (4) companies are permitted to participate in live fire training (e.g., two box drills, etc.) as long as one company remains in service and available to respond to calls. Other exceptions may be granted by the Fire Chief or Operations Division Chief as necessary.

Four (4) station districts must be covered by staffed apparatus whenever possible.

When a company is out of its assigned station district to attend training, an apparatus from a double-company station will reposition to cover the empty fire station.

### Reduced System Status Coverage Locations

If only three (3) companies are available, coverage shall be provided at Station 1, Station 2 and Station 6.

If only two (2) companies are available, coverage shall be provided at the intersection of Taft Avenue and Eisenhower Boulevard and at the intersection of Denver Avenue and Eisenhower Boulevard.

If only one (1) company is available, coverage shall be provided at the southeast corner of Lake Loveland.

### Recall Indicators

LFRA Command Staff and Operational Staff have the ability to recall shift personnel, via Dispatch, to backfill stations. When personnel are returning for a shift recall, they shall respond to their assigned stations and get their personal protective equipment (PPE). Once recall personnel have all required PPE, they will contact Battalion 2 for an assignment. If the recall is for a specific assignment, such as needing staffing for one apparatus only, then the recall page may indicate to call Battalion 1, Battalion 2 or a certain individual, as applicable to the recall need. Command/Operational Staff should consider implementing a shift recall under the following conditions:

- Four (4) or more companies involved in a working incident that can be expected to extend beyond 30 minutes.
- Two (2) or more companies involved in an extended incident.
- Special needs as dictated by specific incidents (e.g., SOT, TacFire, etc.)

### Mutual Aid Backfill Indicators

LFRA Command Staff should consider requesting mutual aid companies to backfill LFRA stations under the following conditions:

- Four (4) or more companies involved in working a short-term incident.
- Apparatus needed to fill a gap until LFRA recall resources are in position.
- Supplement recall staffing.

The mutual aid backfill companies shall be released as soon as possible based on available resources, call volume and incident stabilization.

### Typical Move-Up Locations

When calling in Mutual Aid resources, the resources should be requested to respond to staff the following stations/locations:

- Poudre Fire Authority (PFA) – Fire Station 5
- Windsor Severance Fire Rescue (WSFR) – Fire Station 6
- Berthoud Fire Department (BFD) – County Road 16 and Taft Avenue, or Fire Station 3.
- Front Range Fire Rescue (FRFR) – County Road 9 and Highway 402, or Fire Station 1.
- Big Thompson Canyon (BTCVFD) – Big Thompson School.

Move up locations may vary based on the needs of the system and the availability of the move up companies.

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### References:

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