

INCIDENT SAFETY FOR AGRICULTURAL LANDS AND LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS (2023) Implementation Plan

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OVERVIEW

AB1130 (Dahle) requires that, on or before January 1, 2023, the State Fire Marshal, with the involvement of the Statewide Training and Education Advisory Committee (STEAC), develop a curriculum for livestock producers eligible for this livestock pass program.

This document provides information for all qualifying livestock producers or managerial employees, as defined by a California county, who may need to take this course to access agricultural lands during or following a flood, storm, fire, earthquake, or other disaster. State Fire Training (SFT) encourages course participants to study this curriculum carefully and seek clarification from SFT if questions arise.

The Incident Safety for Agricultural Lands and Livestock Producers curriculum is presented as a California-Specific Fire Service Training and Education Program (FSTEP) course. In compliance with the directives of AB1103 (Dahle), SFT developed the 2023 course plan and will post the course materials on the SFT website.

A county agricultural commissioner or other agency designated by the county board of supervisors may own, operate, and administer the course. SFT will not require classes to be registered. If a course is not registered, the course will not be listed on the SFT user portal or advertised on the SFT website. SFT will not charge FSTEP fees for course delivery or issue an SFT course completion diploma to students. Certification, as required by AB1103, will be represented by the county-issued course completion document or card/pass. SFT will not offer course equivalencies or course reciprocity for non-registered courses.

IMPLEMENTATION

New Curriculum	Hours
Incident Safety for Agricultural Lands and Livestock Producers (2023)	4 Hours

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......March 1, 2023

The continuing education requirement identified by AB1103 may be satisfied by a county livestock pass program policy or procedure identifying this course as necessary for card/pass renewal.

INSTRUCTOR REQUIREMENTS

The county agricultural commissioner, or designee authorized by the county board of supervisors, shall determine and manage instructor eligibility and requirements. SFT recommends that all instructors have appropriate education and practical experience relating to the specific course content.

Instructor Registration......March 1, 2023

New Instructors

New instructors for the Incident Safety for Agricultural Lands and Livestock Producers (2023) course shall meet current requirements for SFT Registered Instructors and shall have successfully completed the course.

Cadre Members

Any cadre member who participated in developing the Incident Safety for Agricultural Lands and Livestock Producers (2023) course who is also an SFT Registered Instructor is eligible to apply to teach the course. SFT will waive the verification of experience requirement and instructor registration fee.

POTENTIAL AGENCY IMPACTS

County livestock pass programs, policy, and documents granting any qualifying livestock producer or a managerial employee access to the qualifying livestock producer's ranch property during or following a flood, storm, fire, earthquake, or other disaster will be developed and implemented by individual counties. [CHAPTER 4. Livestock Pass Program, Section 1 §2350]