

Response Support Corps (RSC) Region III

Who Manages the RSC?

The Regional Incident Coordination Team (RICT) manages the RSC program. The RICT was established to coordinate regional response actions and communication during extraordinary emergency situations of regional, national or international significance, including any significant non-routine events that require cooperation and coordination of cross and multi-program issues.

How is the RSC activated?

The decision to activate the RSC is made by the RICT Chair/Co-Chair. In order to activate individual members of the RSC, the RICT Chair/Co-Chair will contact the appropriate (Regional) Division Director or Deputy from those programs directly or through the Logistics Section Chief to discuss which individual will be available for mobilization, the scope of work, and the anticipated period of deployment. For responses (of any level) which are expected to be sustained over a period of time, the RICT Chair/Co-Chair may request additional RSC members who are available to provide phased in relief to existing response personnel.

What is the activation process?

Once activated, the RSC regional coordinator will send out an activation message to RSC members. The message will contain background information about the incident, current activities, future needs and request RSC members to send their availability for a designated amount of time. RSC members will report to the RRC/EOC (Regional Response Center/Emergency Operations Center) to be briefed on the situation prior to deployment.

How long are deployments?

The duration of the deployment will depend on the response. RSC members should expect at a minimum for the deployment to be in two-week increments. An additional day or two may be requested to overlap with the replacement personnel coming into the position. A regular rotation may be established to provide relief for all response personnel.