

“GRAY BOOK” ALLOTMENTS

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Sacramento Headquarters annually prepares a “Gray Book” which lists fire protection resources planned and budgeted for the contract counties, based on assigned allocation levels for normal and peak fire season period. Allocation levels for the contract counties are as follows:

Marin	Allocation Level I
Kern	Allocation Level III
Santa Barbara	Allocation Level IV(a)
Ventura	Allocation Level IV(a)
Los Angeles	Allocation Level IV(b)
Orange	Allocation Level IV(b)

Gray Book resources include personnel assigned to fire prevention, dispatch, ground attack, and pre-fire management. Funding is provided for general operating expenses, equipment, capital outlay, special repairs, and an administrative allotment for contract administration. Gray Book resources planned for the contract counties are the basis for calculating salaries and associated staff benefits, and operating expenses at the same cost as comparable CDF units.

Representatives for the Director and respective Region Chief periodically audit and inspect each contract county to verify expenditures of allotted Gray Book funds for the purposes intended, and to certify that performance has met contract expectations. The contract counties have accepted the annual Gray Book allotment as compensation for providing basic wildland fire protection services to the SRA within each contract county direct protection areas. For wildfires within the contract county direct protection area that are not contained within the initial attack period, the annual operating plan provides operational and administrative guidelines for expenditure of state funds on extended attack fires.

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