

Structural Fire

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Division of Fire and Aviation

Structural Fire Fact Sheet

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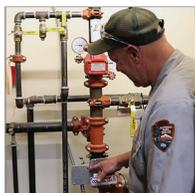
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Leadership

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- Roberta Gorman, Fire Prevention
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Objective

Structural fire management activities are essential to the accomplishment of the National Park Service (NPS) mission. The NPS manages a structural fire program to protect people, building contents, structures, and resources from the effects of fire.

By the Numbers

The NPS is the nation's steward for over 30,000 structures, totaling more than 58,000,000 square feet. The bureau also houses the world's largest system of museums, holding more than 44+ million objects and specimens, 86,000 linear feet of archives, and 503 collection facilities. Over 5,000 suppression and detection systems require inspection, testing, and maintenance (ITM).

Many of the structures the NPS stewards are historic, and their destruction by fire could mean the loss of cultural treasures.

Human Resources

Position	Staff
Collateral duty structural firefighters	186
Collateral duty park structural fire coordinators	400+
Regional structural fire marshals	7
Regional deputy structural fire marshal	1
Regional structural fire protection specialist	1
Regional structural fire protection engineers	1
Denver Service Center fire protection engineer	1
Branch chief	1
National fire prevention program manager	1
National fire operations program manager	1
National fire training program manager	1

Apparatus

The NPS has 16 park sites actively engaged in structural fire suppression activities. Forty-five fire stations in these parks house a total of 47 structural fire engines. Additionally, six fire boats are owned by NPS and staffed by NPS firefighters.

Park Name	Park Name
Big Bend NP	Grand Teton NP
Bryce Canyon NP	Kalaupapa NHP
Crater Lake NP	Lake Mead NRA
Death Valley NP	Mesa Verde NP
Glacier NP	Sequoia & Kings Canyon NP
Glacier Bay NP	Yellowstone NP
Glen Canyon NRA	Yosemite NP
Grand Canyon NP	Zion NP

For More Information

Learn more about the [National Park Service Structural Fire Program](https://www.nps.gov/sf) at [go.nps.gov/sf](https://www.nps.gov/sf).



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