

# Changes In TIFMAS

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## Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System(TIFMAS)



TIFMAS (Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System) is maintained by Texas A&M Forest Service. The program includes grants, training, qualifications and mobilization systems to make statewide use of local resources.

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### GRANT PROGRAM

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[All TIFMAS Engine Locations](#)  
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For TIFMAS grant questions please call  
(936) 639-8100.

### QUALIFICATIONS

[Qualification Procedures](#)  
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[Task Books](#)  
[Task Book Cover Forms](#)  
[ICS 225 Employee Performance Eval](#)  
For questions concerning credentialing please  
email [tifmas@tfs.tamu.edu](mailto:tifmas@tfs.tamu.edu).

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### General Information

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# TIFMAS Applications:

- Updated Oct. 2014
- **Very Important:** If you have filled out an application once, there is no need to do it again. For Example:
  - To add a qualification
  - Never received a card
  - Changed departments
- Email any updates needed to me at:  
[kginn@tfs.tamu.edu](mailto:kginn@tfs.tamu.edu)

# **Department Summary:**

- **After the move to the new system departments can now request a Department summary. This shows:**
  - **All Dept. members in the TIFMAS system**
  - **Each qualification they requested**
  - **The status of the qualification**
- **This will help keep the departments informed on progress.**

# Department Summary:

- **Qualification Status**
  - Pending new
  - Pending chief approval
  - Pending PTB
  - Pending PTB review
  - PTB denied
  - Chief denied Qual
  - Ready to Print
  - Complete
  - No Info







# Dept. Summary Example:

## Texas A&M Forest Service

- **Ginn, Kat**
  - Wildland – Complete
  - All-Hazard/Structural- Pending New
- **Poe, Steve**
  - Wildland – Pending Chief Approval
- **Smith, Bob**
  - Wildland – Ready to Print
- **Doe, John**
  - All-Hazard/Structural – Chief Denied
  - Wildland – Complete
- **Smith Sr., Bobby**
  - All-Hazard/Structural - Complete
  - Engine Boss – Pending PTB
  - Firefighter I - T5 Incident Commander – Pending PTB Review
  - Wildland - Complete

# PTB Cover Forms:

- As of Oct. 2014 all Position Taskbooks (PTB) require a Cover Form
- The forms can be found on the TIFMAS webpage [tifmas.org](http://tifmas.org)
- Forms must be signed by PTB applicant and department representative

Date Received:	  <b>TEXAS A&amp;M FOREST SERVICE</b>		Date Approved:
	200 Technology Way, Suite 1162, College Station, TX 77845-3424 <b>PLEASE RETURN VIA EMAIL</b> <a href="mailto:tifmas@tfs.tamu.edu">tifmas@tfs.tamu.edu</a> <b>Wildland Firefighter I- ICT 5 (FFTI) Cover Form</b>		
Date sent for review:			Approved by:
<b>TIFMAS Position Taskbook Guidelines requires that this form is submitted with each taskbook.</b>			
<b>Applicant Bio:</b>	Name:	Agency:	
	Title:	Years of Service:	
	Applicant Contact Number:	Email address:	
Below please give a brief description of your work history/experience in the fire service pertinent to the requested qualification.			
Applicant Signature:		Date:	
<b>Requirement Checklist</b>	<b>Note: This section is to be filled out and signed by the Agency Representative.</b>		
The following are the requirements for FFTI (check completed):			
<div style="margin-left: 40px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> All Hazards- Structural qualification  <input type="checkbox"/> Basic Wildland          One of the following (check one):  <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Crosswalk G131 for FFI/ ICT5  <input type="checkbox"/> NWCG S131 and S133         </div> <input type="checkbox"/> Completed NWCG FFTI Position Taskbook  <input type="checkbox"/> Position taskbook is signed by a final evaluator qualified in that position or higher.       </div>			
Note: By signing below you are confirming the applicant has completed the checklist and the bio information is correct.			
Agency Representative Signature:		Title:	Date:



# **PTB Final Evaluators:**

- **As of Jan. 2014 the Final Evaluator on Position Taskbooks must be certified in that position (or higher) and have must have witnessed the applicant perform said task.**
- **If you are having trouble finding a final Evaluator you can:**
  - **Contact Katlene Ginn for individuals in your area**
  - **Look into TIFMAS RX Opportunities**
  - **Talk to your local RFC**

# Basic Faller:

- **Basic Faller Final Evaluator requirements are slightly different.**
  - We are currently working on identifying TIFMAS Saw Qualifiers.
- **A refresher is required every two years.**
- **An annual fall refresher is being looked into**
- **Refer to your TIFMAS Business Manual (Pg. 49) for Basic Faller requirements and refresher details.**
- **More information coming soon!**

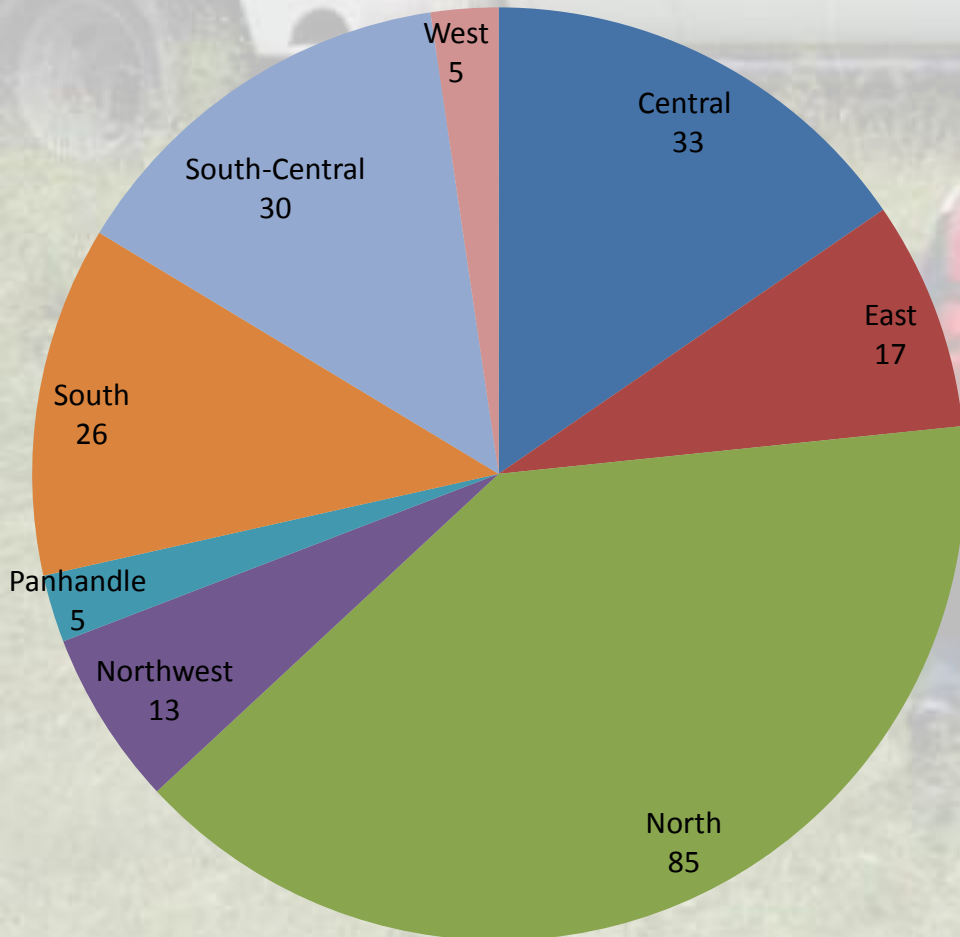


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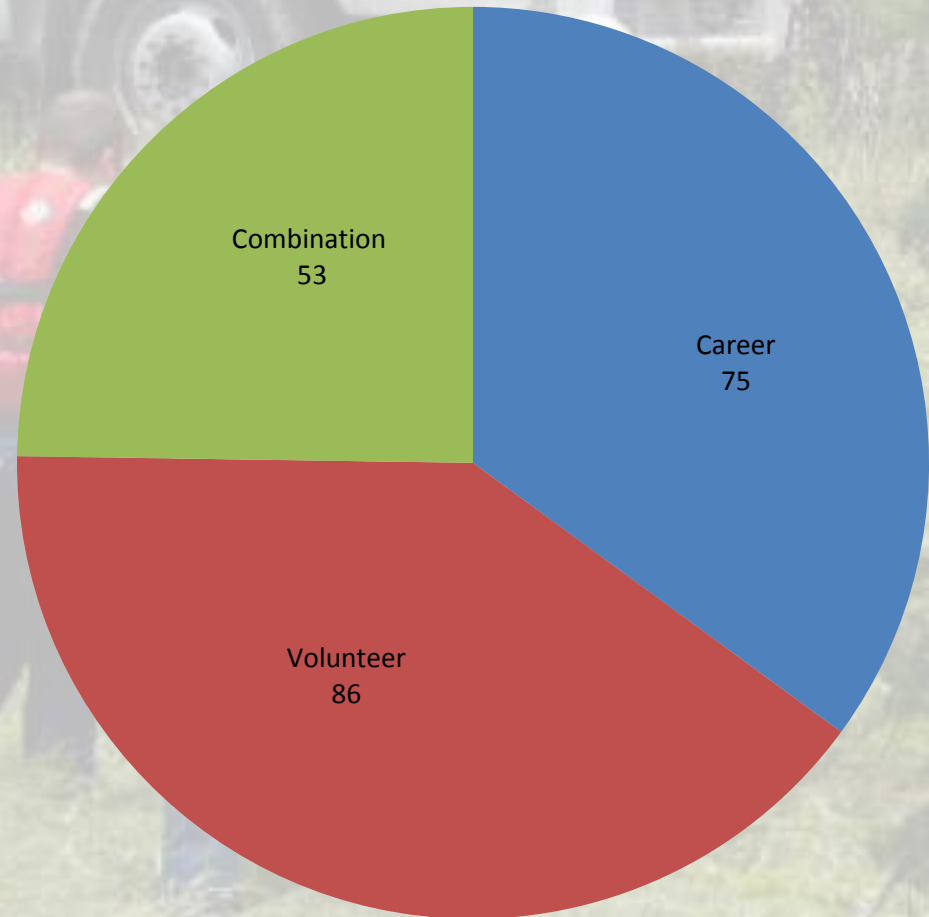
- As 2016 approaches some TIFMAS members will need to begin renewing their qualification.
- It is up to the individual to request renewal.
- The individual must meet the qualification standards outlined in the most current version of the TIFMAS Business Manual before submitting a request.
- We are working on developing a renewal form to be filled out and signed by the department representative and individual.

# 214 TIFMAS Departments:

## Branch numbers



## Department types





# TIFMAS Numbers:

## Database Summary

Number of Applicants	4869	
Number of Pending New	0	
Number of Processed Waiting on Chief Approval	304	
Pending PTB	235	waiting on PTB
PTB Under Review	24	
PTB Received but Missing Parts	8	

## TIFMAS Qualifications Issued

Number Wildland Cards	3736
Number of All Hazards-Structural	4125
Number of ENOP	35
Number of FFI	341
Number of ENGB	60
Number of STEN	17
Number of FAL3	3

A faded background image showing three emergency responders in a grassy field. They are wearing helmets and high-visibility vests, carrying a red stretcher. In the background, a white fire truck with a Texas state emblem on its door is parked. The truck has text that includes "Fire Mutual Aid System" and "In Cooperation with City of Brownsville, Texas".

**Questions or Concerns?**