Welcome to the Central Texas Wildfire Academy
Sponsored by the Texas Forest Service and the Dam Volunteer Fire Department

DATE: February 17 - 20, 2012
LOCATION: Camp Bowie Training Site
          Brownwood, TX
COST: $60 for the weekend
      (meal information below)

Registration begins December 21st, 2011. Early registration is encouraged, as class size is limited. Payment must be made prior to attending the class. All applications for tuition assistance must be turned in by the registration due date. Registrations are due by February 15th, 2012. Substitutions are welcome; however walk-ins will not be accepted because of limited class size.

Training tuition grants are available to VFDs through HB 2604. For more information, please contact the Grant Department at 979-458-5540.

HB2604 APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE TRAINING BEGINS.

CLASS TIMES:
Friday, Feb 17: 6pm - 10pm
Saturday, Feb 18: 8am - 5pm
Sunday, Feb 19: 8am - 5pm
Monday, Feb 20: 8am-5pm (field day)

CHECK-IN:
Begins at 4pm on Friday, February 17, 2012 and before class at 7am on Saturday, February 18, 2012

LODGING:
Barracks are available on the base on a first come, first serve basis. If this is the option you chose, please bring blankets and sheets, or sleeping bag, and pillow. Don’t forget to bring toiletries and towels.

MEALS:
$15/day for meals
(breakfast and lunch on Sat & Sun; breakfast and sack lunch on Mon)
- make checks payable to Dam VFD and bring to check-in (SEPARATE FROM TUITION)
NOTE: Dinner meals are on your own

This event will provide training to volunteer and agency wildland firefighters. The Central Texas Wildfire Academy is striving to offer a variety of training for all those dedicated to protecting lives and property.

The Texas Interagency Wildfire and Incident Management Academies provide training to wildland firefighters from Texas and through the United States to meet National Wildfire Coordination Group Standards. The Capital Area Academy, held in Bastrop, Texas during the month of October, and the East Texas Academy, during in Lufkin, Texas in May, provide classroom and “hands-on” training to more than 800 students in firefighting, supervisory, and prevention techniques.

Coming Soon:
East Texas Interagency Wildfire & Incident Management Academy
Angelina College – Lufkin, TX – May 14 - 25, 2012 (tentative)
Capital Area Interagency Wildfire & Incident Management Academy
Camp Swift – Bastrop, TX – October 12 - 25, 2012

Check the following website for more details in the coming months...
http://ticc.tamu.edu

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Our Mission:
To enhance the Wildland Firefighters’ knowledge, utilizing NWCG standards to promote safe and cost effective operations.

Participants MUST be 18 years old in order to take courses. No one under 18 is allowed on base.
Class Descriptions

S-215  Fire Operations in the Wildland/Urban Interface

This course is designed to assist structure and wildland firefighters who will be making tactical decisions when confronting wildland fire that threatens life, property, and improvements in the wildland/urban interface. Instructional units include: interface awareness, size-up, initial strategy and incident action plan, structure triage, structure protection tactics, incident action plan assessment and update, follow-up and public relations, and firefighter safety in the interface.

**Prerequisite(s):** Wildland Fire Agencies – Qualified as a firefighter type 1 (FFT1); Structural Fire Departments – successful completion of I-100, L-180, S-130, S-190, S-131, or equivalent training.

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Train-the-Trainer: Courage to be Safe... So Everyone Comes Home

This provocative and moving presentation is designed to change the culture of accepting the loss of firefighters as a normal occurrence. Building on the untold story of LODD survivors, it reveals how family members must live with the consequences of a firefighter death and provides a focus on the need for firefighters and officers to change fundamental attitudes and behaviors in order to prevent line of duty deaths. The central theme promotes the courage to do the right thing in order to protect yourself and other firefighters and ensure that "Everyone Goes Home" at the end of the day.

**Prerequisite(s):** NONE

Wildland Firefighting for Volunteer and Career Departments

This course covers basic firefighting methods, different tactics utilized in suppression of wildland fires, safety issues, PPE, and tools and equipment. Course is targeted for active volunteer or career firefighters who are assigned to active suppression duties. This course meets the requirements for SFFMA certification requirements for Basic/Intermediate Ground Cover Course.

*Not an NWCG course.*

**Prerequisite(s):** NONE

Field Exercise

Weather permitting; there will be a live burn exercise on Monday, February 20th.

**Fire departments are encouraged to bring their own apparatus if attending this class. Please note somewhere on the registration if bringing equipment. PPE is required for ALL students (includes Nomex shirt, pants, hardhat, leather boots, leather gloves, and eye protection).
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February 17th – 20th, 2012  
Brownwood, TX  
Registration Form

For registration information, please contact Meredith McNeil at 979-458-7330 or email mmcneil@tfs.tamu.edu. For information about the Academy, please contact either Mary Leathers at 979-218-3030 or Rich Gray at 979-218-2406.

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Please provide an emergency contact name & number (other than your supervisor):

I would like to be enrolled in the following courses:

CLASS: ______________________________________________________
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Supervisor’s Name: ______________________   Title: _______________   Telephone: _______________

Supervisor’s Signature: __________________________________________
FINANCIAL INFORMATION

STUDENT COST:
$60 (for the weekend)
Make checks payable to: Texas Forest Service

ATTENTION VFDs!!!!
If you have been approved for HB2604 funding, please DO NOT bring payment to check-in.

 clases:
Courage to be Safe... So Everyone Comes Home (FREE)
S-215 Fire Operations in the Wildland/Urban Interface
Train-the-Trainer: Courage to be Safe... So Everyone Comes Home (FREE)
Wildland Firefighting for Volunteer And Career Departments
Field Exercise (included)

Method of Payment
Payment in the form of a credit card, check, or money order must be received PRIOR to attending academy courses.

*HB2604 ______ Personal Check ______ Money Order ______ Credit Card ______
(if using HB2604 funding, please DO NOT send payment or bring it to check-in; HB2604 will be invoiced on your department’s behalf)

Credit Card Number: _______ _______ _______ _______ - _______ _______ _______ _______
Expiration Date: _____ / ____ ___
Visa ___ MasterCard ___ Discover ___ AmEx ___

Cardholder’s Signature: ____________________________________________
Cardholder’s Name and Address:
(As it appears on credit card statement – for verification purposes only): ________________________________________

**Credit card payments will be processed immediately upon receipt.

We reserve the right to cancel any class or classes that do not meet the minimum number of registrations. Students enrolled in these classes will be notified and given the opportunity to register for alternative classes.

Mail or fax both pages to:
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