



## **KOOTENAI COUNTY FIRE MODEL PROCEDURE**

### **SECTION 1 – PURPOSE**

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The purpose of the Kootenai County Fire Resource Plan is to provide a process to rapidly notify, assemble and deploy firefighters and EMS personnel with firefighting, emergency medical and specialized equipment to any local jurisdiction within Kootenai County. The plan was designed and is coordinated through the Kootenai County Fire Chiefs Association and is established to provide continuity in Kootenai County through a model procedure process.

There are currently nine (9) fire agencies and one non-profit ambulance service. Services provided in Kootenai County include fire suppression, rescue, emergency medical, hazardous materials, mass casualty and technical rescue services.

Kootenai County Emergency Services System provides direction for emergency medical services with the capability of care at the Advance Life Support (ALS), Intermediate (ILS) and Basic Life Support (BLS) levels. Response is provided by the local fire agencies and non-profit ambulance with ALS and BLS transport by a network of fire department providers.

It is important to note that the Kootenai County Fire Resource Plan is specific to responses within Kootenai County. Automatic and Mutual Aid is managed through the use run cards that are in place at Central Dispatch (a function of the Kootenai County Sheriff's Office 911 Division). For responses outside Kootenai County the local agency authorizes the resource on a case-by-case basis or through written automatic or mutual aid agreements.