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Attachment 2

**To:** Ronny J. Coleman, Chairman  
Statewide Training and Education Advisory Committee  
c/o State Fire Training

**From:** Kevin Conant, Fire Service Training Specialist III

**SUBJECT/AGENDA ACTION ITEM:**

CA-219: Wildland Firefighting – Firing Operations Prerequisite Clarification

**Recommended Actions:**

Approve CA-219 Prerequisite Clarification

**Background Information:**

On October 12, 2018, STEAC approved the new CA-219: Wildland Firefighting – Firing Operations curriculum. An error occurred in the publication of the course plan prerequisites. In the version published for STEAC, the language exists in error: “S-290: Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior.” It should read: “S-290: Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior (class room only version)”. This is in alignment with the direction of the curriculum cadre and with CICCIS, State Fire Training (SFT) and the California Office of Emergency Services.

**Analysis/Summary of Issue:**

Historically, there have been two versions of the S-290: Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior course, an abbreviated, on-line course that was originally created and intended for the Incident Meteorologists (IMET) audience, and a classroom course intended for firefighting personnel. Over time, SFT STEAC stakeholders have directed staff to no longer allow the on-line version of the course to be recognized for firefighting personnel, as there are deficiencies in the number of facilitated discussions and in-depth activities in the on-line course.

Since the October 12, 2018 STEAC meeting, staff has received inquiries from stakeholders, asking if we intended to allow both the on-line and the classroom versions of the S-290 course as an approved pre-requisite. This memo is intended to notify STEAC that the CA-219: Wildland Firefighting – Firing Operations course plan, and all related documents for this curriculum will be corrected to indicate the original intent of the curriculum cadre, that only the S-290: Intermediate Wildland Fire Behavior approved pre-requisite course is the class room only. As stated, this is in alignment with CICCS, the California Office of Emergency Services and other State Fire Training wildland curriculum prerequisites, e.g., Company Officer 2E: Wildland Incident Operations for Company Officers (2017), and AH-330: Strike Team/Task Force Leader – All Hazards (2017).

This curriculum has not gone before the State Board of Fire Services for final approval; therefore, they will see the corrected version of the course plan.