

# Preposition Program Re-fresher

Cal OES Fire & Rescue

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- The \$25 Million-dollar annual fire and rescue preposition program addresses the need for resource augmentation for an anticipated significant weather or other disaster event.
- The program allows for a local fire agency or operational area to determine the need to exceed above normal staffing and equipment to combat a predetermined threat.
- Determination and approval are based on the severity of the forecasted event by utilizing the established mobilization score sheet. The qualifying score sheet will provide the severity of the event. The severity of the event will allow for the type and number of resources to preposition based on these 3 levels:
  - Moderate Event
  - Severe Event
  - Extreme Event

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- If you find that the type of event, type or number of resources do not meet your anticipated resource augmentation needs, other considerations can be evaluated with the State Fire and Rescue Chief based on, but not limited to:
  - Potential threat to lives and improved property, including threats to critical facilities, infrastructure, and critical watershed areas
  - Availability of federal, state and local firefighting resources
  - Potential major economic impact

#### Calendar Year 2023

#### There have been 170 preposition events approved:

24 for critical fire weather and 146 for mud and debris flow. 37 moderate, 38 severe, and 95 extreme.

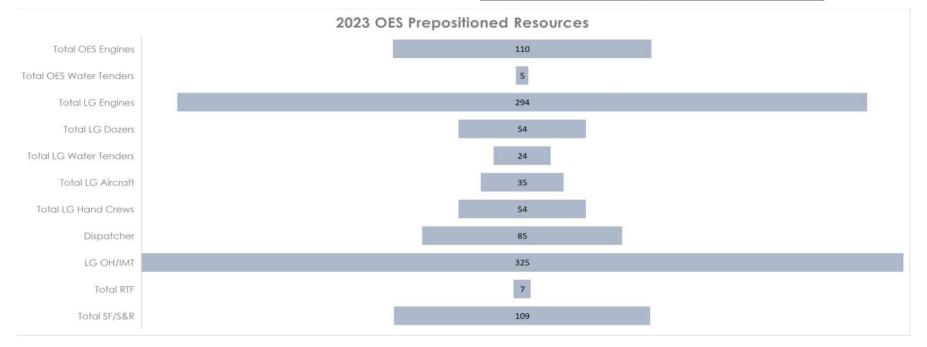
#### The most requested preposition resource and most frequent user:

Region I has been approved for 55 prepositions. Los Angeles County has been approved for 21 prepositions. LG Engines have been approved 294 times.



2023 OES Preposition Current Estimate			
Mud & Debris OES Preposition	146	\$35,867,958.37	
Wildland/Wind OES Preposition	24	\$4,496,739.41	
Total 2023 OES Preposition	170	\$40,364,697.78	

2023 OES Prepositions		
Region	OA Initiated	Cal OES Initiated
Reg. I	38	17
Reg. II	25	5
Reg. III	13	0
Reg. IV	20	8
Reg. V	11	6
Reg. VI	19	8
Grand Total	126	44



## Preposition approval process

- Request to preposition resources will begin at the local level within the OA.
- If it is determined there is a need, and meets the criteria, the OA
  Fire and Rescue Coordinator will contact the Cal OES Regional Fire
  and Rescue Coordinator and Cal OES Fire and Rescue Duty Chief
  to obtain approval.
- If approved, the OA Fire and Rescue Coordinator will provide the OA Dispatch Center a copy of the Cal OES Preparedness/Mobilization Resource Approval Form.

For more information on the process:

<a href="https://www.caloes.ca.gov/office-of-the-director/operations/response-operations/fire-rescue/fire-operations/">https://www.caloes.ca.gov/office-of-the-director/operations/response-operations/</a>