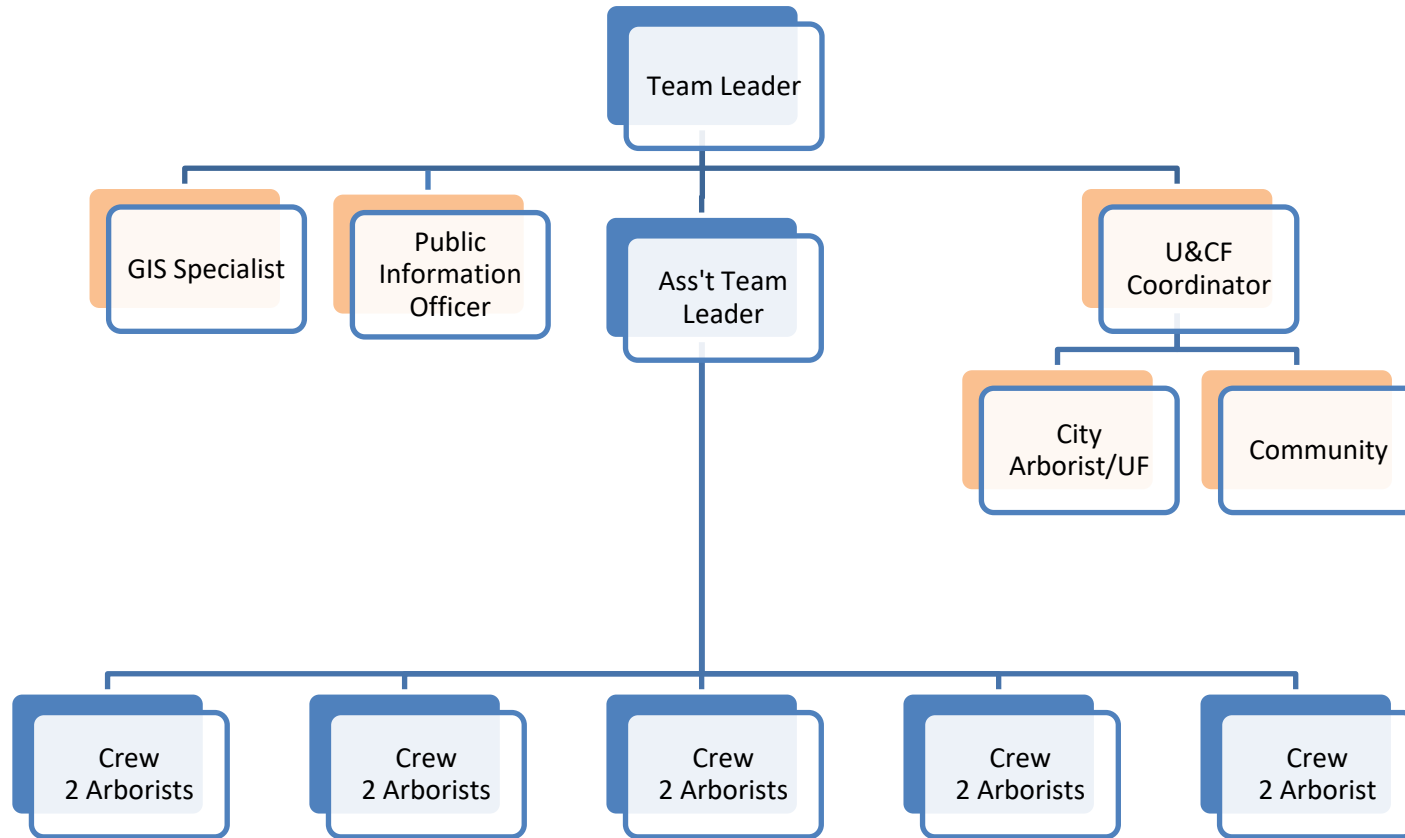


UFST Storm Response Introduction

The original design of Urban Forest Strike Team(s) was based on the Incident Command System (ICS) and therefore much of the organizational structure and function has been modeled after that system. However, the role of the state forestry agency and particularly the state U&CF Coordinator (see below and in checklist detail) may be unique to this ICS-based implementation.

Organizational Chart (Team):



The U&CF Coordinator plays an active role in UFST response in several capacities:

1. Is the first, local (regional) contact with affected communities relative to protection and assessment of urban forest resources.
2. Determines whether UFST mobilization is appropriate for a community.
3. With the community, makes the initial assessment of disaster scale (spatial extent and severity).
 - a. Determines appropriate level of UFST resources
4. Communicates that assessment through the State Forester and state Emergency Management (EMAC).
 - a. Evaluates capability for an in-state UFST response including use of state (UFST) mutual aid
 - b. Determines need for EMAC resources (i.e. becoming a "requesting state")
5. Directly notifies¹ other state U&CF Coordinators of resource needs:
 - a. Conveys EMAC resource needs
 - b. Find "assisting states" that have needed EMAC resources
 - c. Get EMAC Mission Ready Package (MRP) description and provide to "requesting state" EMAC Coordinator
6. Coordinates with Team Leader(s) when UFST is ordered.
7. Functions as the UFST community liaison throughout the incident response.

As the state U&CF Coordinator makes these contacts and assessments a "Contact List" should be created for each community where UFSTs will be working.

The following is a template or guide and not all contacts may be appropriate for an incident; titles of individuals should be included. For example, under "City Administration", you might list the Mayor or City Manager depending on the type of municipal management; if the "City Arborist" is actually the County Forester you should indicate that position title with the contact name or change the table heading as desired.

Rows not needed for a particular response may be deleted, and additional rows may be added. This information will be provided to the Team Leader(s) (also see State Coordinator & Team Leader Checklists).

¹ This can also be accomplished through Urban Forestry South, USDA Forest Service, Athens, Georgia, or other USDA FS coordinating offices.

Coordinator/Team Leader – Contact List Template

Community: _____

| Individuals/Organization | Address Information (FedEx/UPS) | |
|--|---------------------------------|---|
| State Forester | | 1 |
| State U&CF Coordinator | | 2 |
| Other State Forestry Agency Personnel | | 2 |
| City Administration | | 3 |
| City Departmental Contact(s) | | 4 |
| Municipal Arborist | | 5 |
| GIS Specialist | | 6 |
| IT Specialist | | 7 |
| Public Information Officer (Communication Specialist) Note: This should be the lead PIO for the event; but, may also include communications representatives from any agency or municipality that is providing resources. | | 7 |
| County/Municipal Emergency Management Director | | 8 |
| State Emergency Management EMAC Coordinator | | 8 |

| Individuals/Organization | Address Information (FedEx/UPS) | |
|--|--|-----------|
| State Emergency Management (Debris) | | 8 |
| Debris Managers (State or FEMA <u>field representatives</u> as appropriate) | | 8 |
| Other State or FEMA Regional Personnel | | 9 |
| Urban Forestry South, Southern Research Station Eric Kuehler, Science Delivery/Technology Specialist (706) 559-4268 & (706) 410-5569 cell eric.kuehler@usda.gov | USDA Forest Service 320 Green St Athens, GA 30602 | 10 |
| USDA Forest Service, Region 8 S&PF, Cooperative Forestry Paula Randler, Regional U&CF Program Manager (404) 347-1647 &, (404) 909-0266 (cell) Paula.randler@usda.gov | USDA Forest Service 1720 Peachtree Road, N.W., Ste 846 N Atlanta, GA 30309 | 11 |
| USDA Forest Service, Northeastern Area (NA) Office of the Durham Field Representative for Forest Management John Parry, Urban Forestry (603) 868-7688 john.parry@usda.gov | USDA Forest Service 271 Mast Road Durham, NH 03824 | 12 |
| USDA Forest Service, Northeastern Area Office of St Paul Field Representative - Forest Management Jill Johnson, Midwest Urban Forestry Coordinator (651) 649-5253 jill.johnson@usda.gov | USDA Forest Service 1992 Folwell Avenue St Paul, MN 55108 | 13 |
| USDA Forest Service, Washington Office Office of Chief – External Affairs - Media Office Lawrence F. Chambers, Public Affairs Specialist (202) 205-1005 lfchambers@fs.fed.us | USDA Forest Service 201 14th Street Southwest Washington, DC 20250 | 14 |