

WPSAPS Training Opportunities

The USDA Forest Service is hosting a series of Wildfire Prevention Spatial Assessment and Planning Strategies (WPSAPS) training courses over the next several months. The dates have been set along with primary areas.

- June 20, 21 and 22, 2023 – Primary Area: Regions 8 & 9
- September 26, 27 and 28, 2023 – Primary Area: Region 3
- November 28, 29 and 30, 2023 – Primary Area: Regions 8 & 9

Priority will be given to the students from the primary area hosting the training. The cadre is composed of an interagency group of fire prevention professionals. The course will be open to ALL and delivery will be 100% virtual.

Course Objectives

This course is intended to introduce users to the new WPSAPS software by providing students hands-on training and use of the WPSAPS software through a series of instructor-led training and exercises.

Specific objectives include:

- Becoming proficient with the tools and their capabilities.
- Creating prevention planning units and develop a prevention strategy based on geospatial risk assessments and fire cause history.
- Identifying prevention actions for the unit based on budget or work hours.
- Using the WPSAPS outputs to develop a long-term wildfire prevention plan to include yearly prevention action plans and accomplishment reporting.

Trainee Prerequisites

The course will require supervisor approval for trainee attendance and an EGP account with access to WPSAPS. Pework may be assigned and must be completed prior to start of class.

To create a WPSAPS account a user will [request a new EGP account](#)

- In the Fire Duties box, you will request access to the WPSAPS role.
- For those that already have an EGP account, [contact the helpdesk](#) and request access to the WPSAPS role.

Priority List

- Prevention Specialists
- Prevention Technicians and Officers
- Fire Management Officers

Tuition

There are no tuition costs for this course.

Nomination Process

Please stay in contact with your training personnel or check the [Communication, Education, and Prevention Committee website](#) for information about nomination process closer to the training dates as well as the other training opportunities. Information will be posted as soon as it is available.