



# FIRE SCENARIO DECISION EXERCISE 1

# Scenario 1

Dispatch reports an escaped burn pile and asks you to respond. You are in a type 6 400-gallon fire engine with no crew person, as it is not fire season.

- What do you do?
  1. [1. Observe fire conditions](#)
  2. [2. Call for backup](#)





Your co-workers and supervisor are curious as to why you didn't observe fire behavior and weather conditions before making your decision.

- [Back to the classroom for you.](#)

- Fire danger moderate
- Temperature 72°
- Winds 5 mph
- Gusts to 10 mph
- RH 30%

[What do you want to do?](#)



1. Can handle. No additional resources necessary.
2. Order 1 additional engine and 10-person hand crew.
3. Order 5 engines, 10-person hand crew and dozer.
4. BROKEN ARROW! I REPEAT BROKEN ARROW!  
SEND IN EVERYTHING YOU GOT!! SOMEBODY  
SAVE MEEEEEEEE!!!!

- While you were easily able to control your fire, the detection center reported another fire on the other end of the county.

- The resources you ordered now have a 1-hour delay and this other fire grew to 15 acres.

- Your supervisor would like a word or 10 with you.

- [Try again](#)



## Success!

The second engine arrived just in time to back you up while you were repairing a broken hose.

The hand crew was able to check neighboring homes for any spot fires and quickly suppress them.

Things look good on the ground.

[We can also learn from failures.](#)





While attempting to suppress the fire by yourself, your hose lay was burned over.

While attempting to do repairs, the wind picked up and drove the fire into a neighboring home.

No one was injured, but you have some work to do on your decision making.

[Try again.](#)





## **Congratulations!**

Your dreams of becoming a wildland firefighter are taking a permanent detour. Well, at least until you get fired.

▶ [You were kidding, right?](#)