Post-fire Emergency Assessments – BAER, ESR and ETART



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### **Three Phases of Post-Fire Actions**

#### Suppression Repair

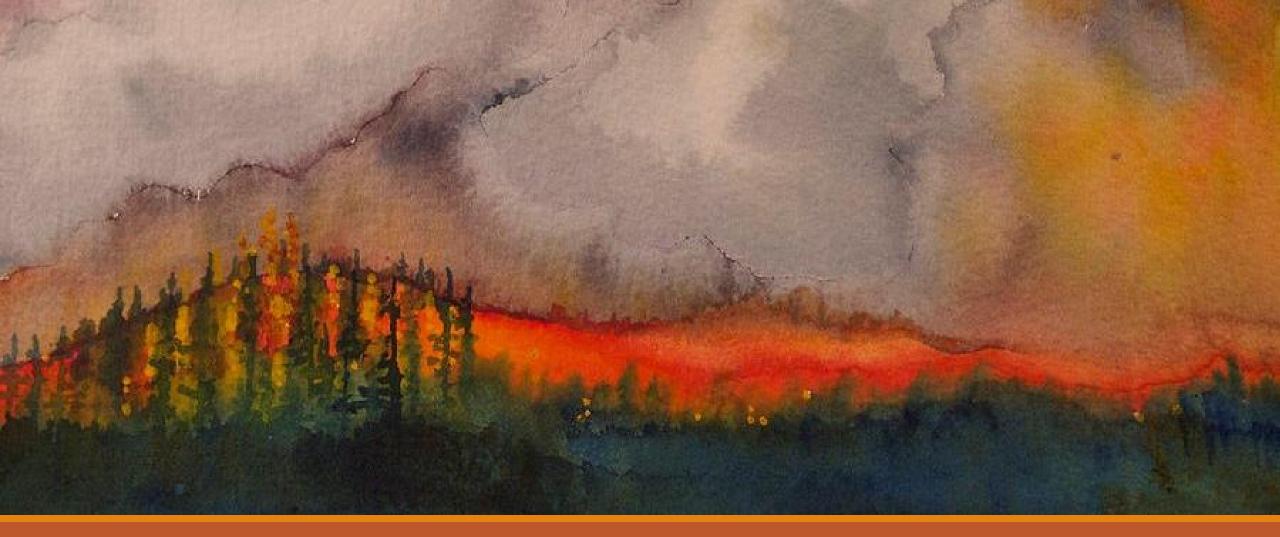
Burned Area Emergency Response (BAER)

Long-term restoration



# What is **BAER**?

A program to identify imminent post-wildfire threats to human life and safety, property and critical natural or cultural resources and take immediate actions to manage unacceptable risks.



The team size and make-up and level of analysis should be commensurate with the size and complexity of the fire and critical values

## **The BAER Process**

Step 1. Identify critical values
Step 2. Assess for threats
Step 3. Evaluate risk
Step 4. Develop response strategy
Step 5. Implement the strategy



### **Assess for Threats and Evaluate Risk**

•Soil Burn Severity

- •Geologic Hazards
- Erosion and Flooding
- •Hazard Trees
- Non-native species





• Meriwether flood video



## **BAER Risk Assessment**

Each BAER critical value and threat combination is evaluated for risk.

1 – Magnitude of consequence
2 – Probability of damage or loss

<b>Probability of</b>	Magnitude of Consequences		
<b>Damage or</b>	Major (Life loss, substantial/ irreversible damage)	Moderate (Injury of life, long term resource effects)	Minor (no injury, recoverable loss)
Loss	RISK		
Very Likely (>90%)	Very High	Very High	Low
Likely (50-90%)	Very High	High	Low
Possible (10-50%)	High	Intermediate	Low
Unlikely (<10%)	Intermediate	Low	Very Low

Step 4 – Develop a Response Strategy



#### Assessment

#### Report

# Funding for implementation

### **Timing is Critical!**

Measures should be completed before the first damaging events!

## **Questions and Discussion**

