

**US Fish and Wildlife Service  
Branch of Fire Management  
Fuels Management Allocation and Accountability System (FAAS)**

**Information:**

- FAAS is a process used by the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) National Fire Branch to allocate Fuels Management program funding developed to:
  - Characterize wildfire risk to key values on and near lands managed by FWS;
  - Allocate Fuels Management funding to the eight FWS Regions based on wildfire risk using a repeatable, transparent, and science-based process;
  - Implement performance and accountability measures to ensure Fuels Management treatments are placed appropriately on the landscape to reduce wildfire risk, and to maximize overall Fuels Management program efficiency and effectiveness; and
  - Contribute towards the successful implementation of the goals of the FWS National Wildlife Refuge System and the FWS Fire Management program.
- FAAS was partially implemented in FY16 to set Regional Fuels Management allocation percentages through FY20.
- FAAS is currently being modified to account for changes in fuels characteristic and updated data.
- Each Regional Fire Management Program contributes 10% of their allocated budget. The total amount is redistributed throughout the regions based on the following specific performance measures:
  - Placement of Treatment Units
    - 50% or more of treatments occurred in the Hazard Zone
    - Acres treated emphasize the High and Very High risk areas
    - Dollars spent and acres treated are corollary to hazard zone fuels group
  - Database Reporting
    - Fire Management Information System (FMIS) – percent of completed reports are greater than 90%
    - National Fire Plan Operations and Reporting System (NFPORS) – followed Preliminary and Final Program of Work direction including planning activity alignment between FMIS and NFPORS
  - Business Acumen
    - Financial and Business Management System (FBMS) – 98% of Fiscal Year funds are spent and/or obligated accordingly
    - Follow business rules associated with fuels management funding
    - Follow Undelivered Order (UDO) business rules – number not increasing, spending on accounts over 365 days
  - Miscellaneous
    - A minimum of 2 success stories are submitted
    - Follow Office of Wildland Fire (OWF) and FWS Community Assistance program policies