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### **Safety Management System (SMS) Recommendation Document**

All fire aviation units shall maintain and participate in a Safety Management System (SMS) as an operational safety standard.

SMS is needed to help facilitate the identification of hazards and maximize the development of a better safety culture, as well as modify attitudes and actions of personnel in order to maintain a safer working environment.

SMS provides managers, pilots and crewmembers the ability to identify hazards, assess risks and build a business model to justify controls that will reduce risk to acceptable levels.

All fire aviation units shall utilize a Flight Risk Assessment Tool (FRAT). The FRAT will provide crews the ability to assess and mitigate the hazards specific to each mission.