Objective:
To develop the student’s proficiency in using the fire order information associated with the leadplane mission (Phase 2).

Content:
The National Interagency Resource Ordering and Status System (ROSS) operates in an estimated 400 interagency dispatch and coordination offices throughout the Nation. The ROSS tracks all tactical, logistical, service and support resources mobilized by the incident dispatch community.

Leadplane pilots will receive either an ROSS form or a local dispatch form where the information was copied from a ROSS form. It is a rare occurrence when an aircraft is dispatched to a fire without a paper or electronic copy of a dispatch form.

Important information on a dispatch form:

Financial Codes – Needed for personnel times and aircraft payment documents.
Airports – Airports being used to support fire operations.
Contacts – Include dispatch and fire management personnel.
Phone Numbers – Contacts phone numbers.
Resources – Resources assigned to the fire.
Incident Name – Used for radio calls and documentation.
Coordinates – Lat long for the fire location.
Radio Frequencies – Contact radio frequencies for aviation and ground fire resources.
Need Date/Time – Used for preposition and for relief over fires.
Reporting Instructions – Any additional information that may be pertinent to the dispatch.

At times the date needed and time is unrealistic due to travel times and time zone changes. If this is the case, notify dispatch of a realistic schedule for getting to the fire or the airport.
Completion Standards:
The lesson is complete when the student can demonstrate the use of fire order information associated with the leadplane mission. Interpretation of the information will be accomplished without the reliance on the evaluator.