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**REPLY TO :** safeteam@nifc.gov  
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**SUBJECT :** SAFETY ADVISORY : Safety Alert System

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This is a demonstration of the NWCG, Safety and Health Working Team, SAFETY ALERT system. This advisory will serve as both an introduction and brief explanation of the system .

The Safety Alert system is intended as another mechanism to provide safety related information to the field. It is a web-based system that sends the alerts as an email message to a list of recipients within the States and Federal Agencies represented by NWCG. Those recipients are in turn expected to forward the message to coworkers and interested parties within their organization . The expectation is that the messages will continue to be forwarded within the fire community , and that they will receive a wide distribution in a relatively short period of time .

There are three levels of Safety Alert.

1. Safety Warning- A warning of a safety hazard that poses an imminent threat to life or property.
2. Safety Advisory- An advisory on safety information that isn't related to imminent or potential threats of injury.
3. Safety Bulletin- A factual confirmation of a serious accident, incident or fatality within the fire community.

A database of all the bulletins will be kept on the NWCG SHWT home page at <<http://nwcg.gov>>.

All NWCG member organizations have key management and safety supervisors with the ability to send Safety Alerts. Contact your NWCG representative for their names.

If you have any questions about the system, call your NWCG Safety and Health Working team representative.

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