

Riva Duncan

Riva Duncan is a highly respected wildland fire professional with over 31 years of experience working for the US Forest Service. She began her US Forest Service career in 1989 on the Allegheny National Forest in Pennsylvania as a trainee forester. Riva changed her career from forestry to fire management, gaining extensive experience in fire operations on initial attack crews, a hotshot crew, engines, and helitack. She has an extensive background in prescribed fire planning, development, and implementation across varied ecosystems in the US. Riva has worked in several leadership fire positions in five US regions from the East, to the Intermountain West, and the West Coast and developed complex fire management plans. She has served on national working groups focusing on projects including escaped prescribed fires, High Reliability Organizations, accident investigations, and Duty Officer qualifications. She has extensive experience facilitating and instructing. From 2010 through 2016 she served on the National Fire Management Officer Committee. Riva recently retired as the Interagency Fire Management Officer for West Central OR Fire (Umpqua National Forests and Roseburg and Coos Bay BLM Districts) which she held since January 2017. Riva has also traveled to Belize and Ethiopia with USFS International Programs to teach prescribed fire planning and implementation.

Riva has a Bachelor's of Science degree in Forest Management from Purdue University.