



Resource Sharing In Canada: CIFFC Perspective

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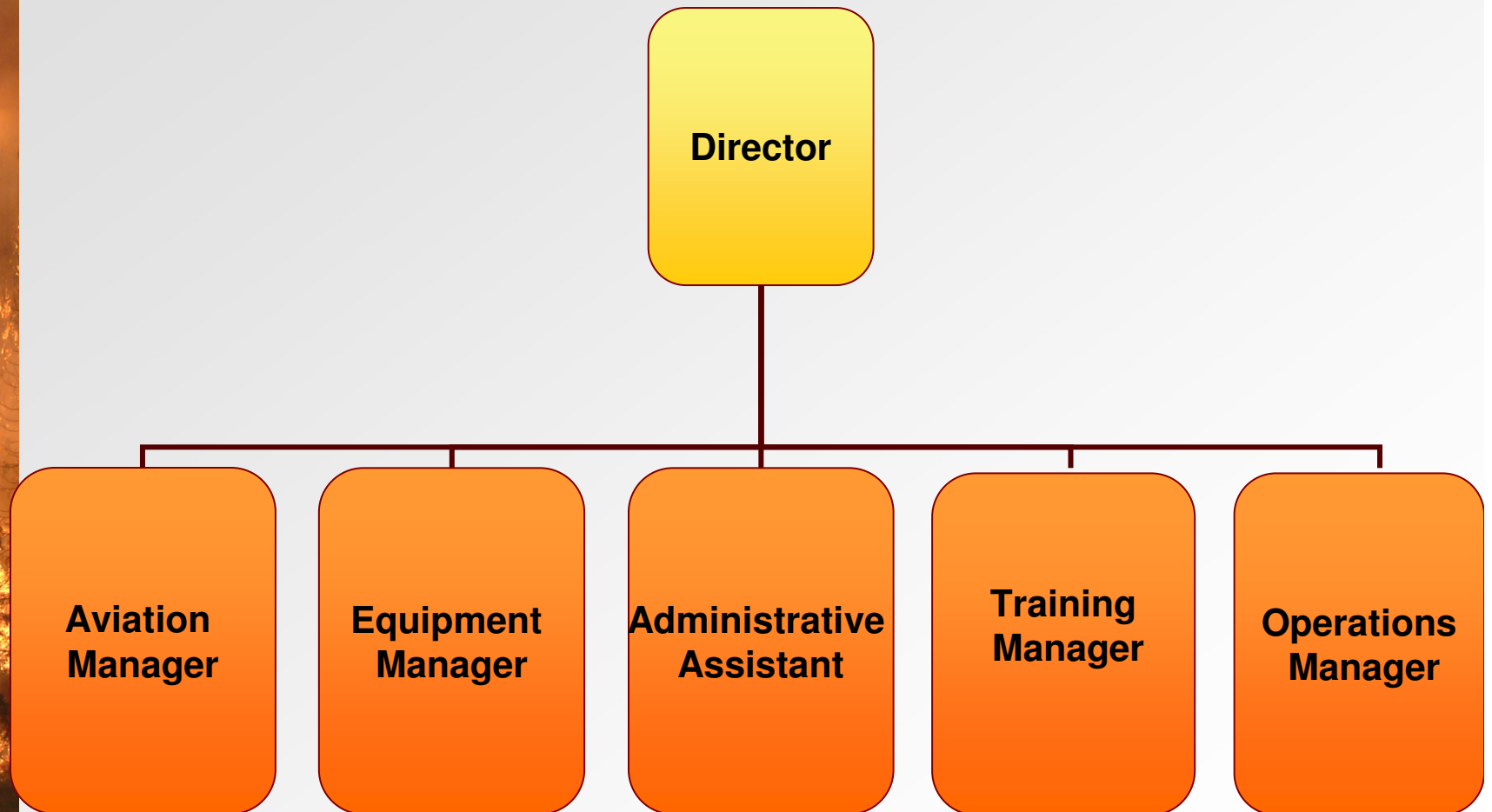


What is CIFFC?

- **Non-profit registered corporation**
- **Owned by;**
 - 10 Provinces,
 - 2 Territories
 - Federal government
- **Governance**
 - Board of Trustees
 - Council of Directors
 - Working Groups (4)
 - Community of Practice (4)



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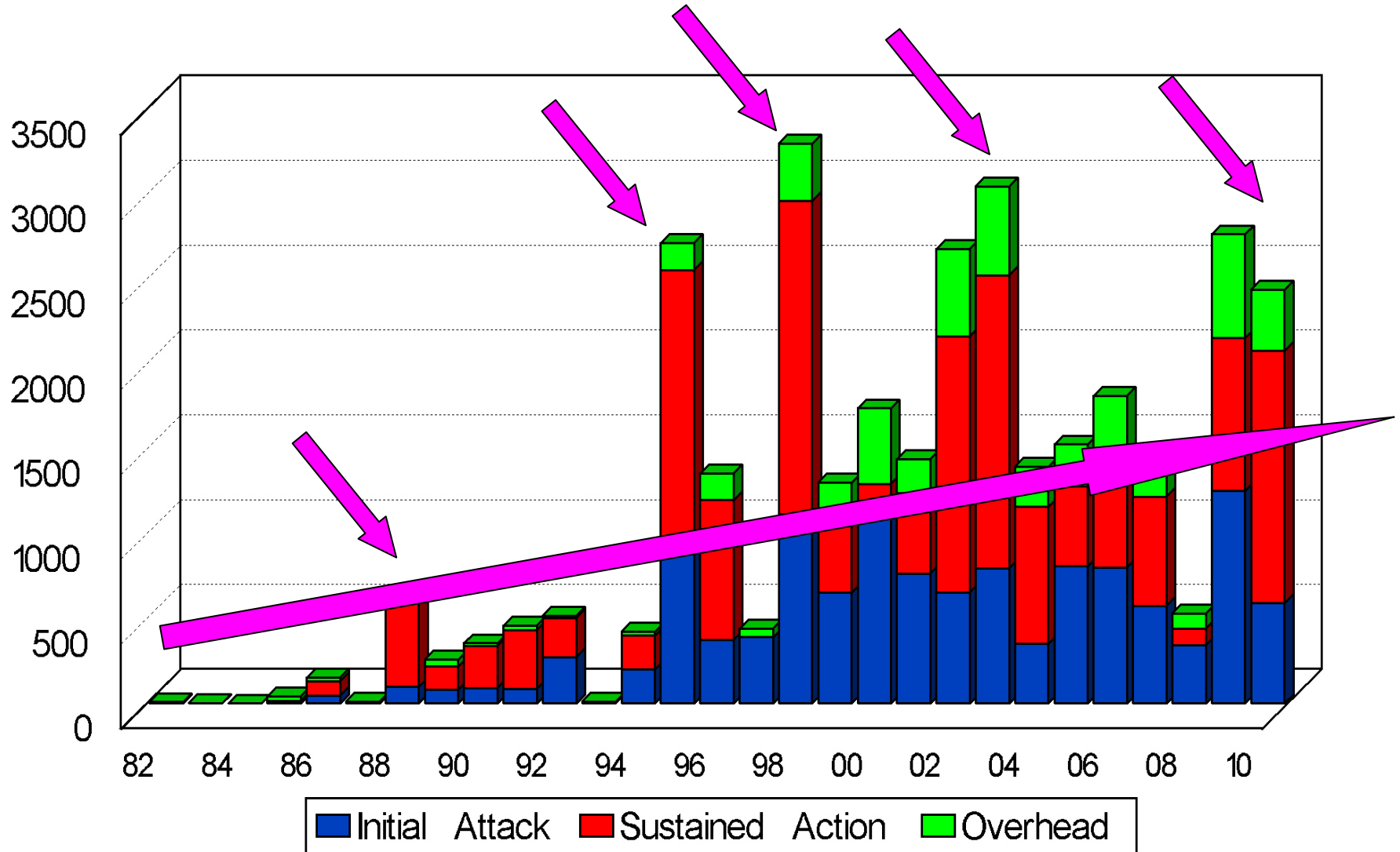
Resource Sharing

- **Primary Mandate: to broker resource sharing on behalf of the member agencies**
 - **Personnel**
 - **Equipment**
 - **Aircraft**
- **Single phone call to CIFFC**
- **Each member agencies resources are known daily**
- **US availability is known daily**



Personnel Mobilized

1982-2010



As of Aug 31, 2010





Challenges to Resource Sharing

- Increase of “extreme” events
- Extended fire seasons
- Shrinking agency equipment stocks
- Increasing costs of importing resources
- Standards for exchange
- Multiple agencies with escalated activity
- Trained personnel availability



CIFFC Strategic Directions

- **CIFFC Workshop in Oct 2007**
 - Facilitated session
 - All CIFFC Member Agencies

- **Strategic Directions April 2008**
 - Result of Workshop
 - 7 major strategic directions
 - Approved by Directors and Trustees
 - A dynamic “work in progress”

Strategic Direction 1: Progress

To enhance the coordination of mutual aid resource sharing to provide timely, efficient and effective response to member agencies.



Strategic Direction 2: Progress

To provide mutually beneficial opportunities through the development of international arrangements for mutual aid resource sharing and the exploration of cooperative international opportunities.



Strategic Direction 3: Progress

To maintain and enhance creative, dynamic and practical processes for the collection of wildland fire data, information management and communication among the member agencies and others.



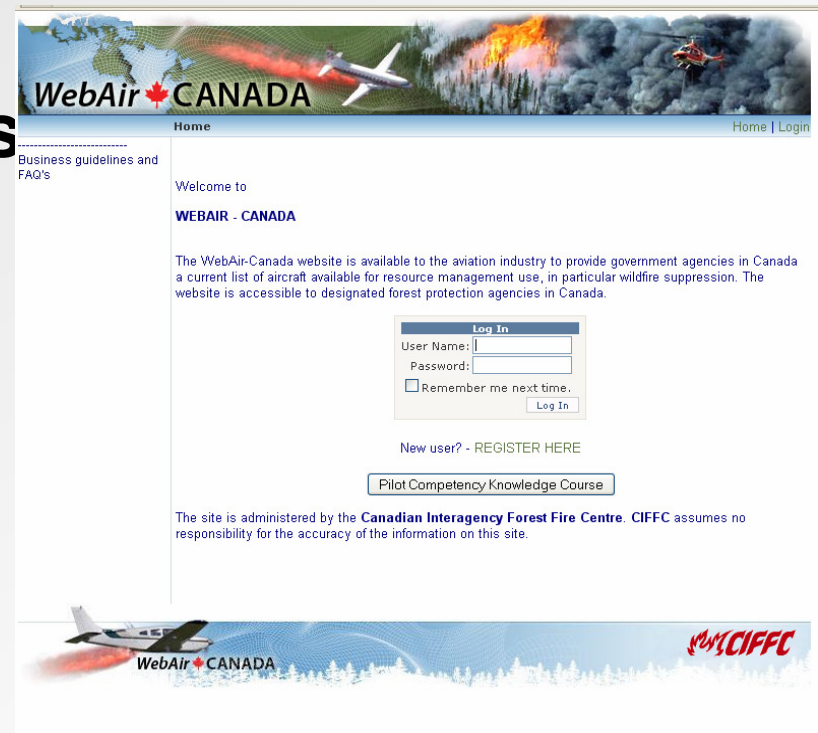
Strategic Direction 4: Progress

To develop, coordinate and implement a comprehensive national wildland fire training initiative to facilitate interagency resource exchange, increase productivity and enhance safety.



Strategic Direction 5: Progress

To adopt value added technologies to improve and enhance the CIFFC Inc. response to mutual aid resource sharing and information management.



Strategic Direction 6: Progress

To provide and maintain long range planning, program delivery, human resource strategies and financial sustainability to ensure efficient and effective service delivery.



Strategic Direction 7: Progress

To develop and implement specific strategies to address current and emerging wildland fire issues.



Future of Resource Sharing

Will be decided by you, the members of the CIFFC agencies, and implemented by the CIFFC Fire Centre