

Search For Resources - locating resources at incidents

This chapter explains how to search for and locate aircraft, crew, equipment, and overhead resource items across all open incidents. Topics in this chapter include:

- What's new for version 2.8
- Locating specific resources
- Narrowing your search criteria and performing wildcard searches
- Exploring the search for resources function in detail.



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What's new for version 2.8

Changes that relate to searching for resources and working with the Search for Resources screen include:

- You may now search for resource names that include an apostrophe.

For complete information about new functionality and enhancements to ROSS, access the ROSS Main Page from your browser, and then click "Release Notices" along the left side of the page.

Locating specific resources

This section explains how to locate specific resources and how to narrow your search for resources by home dispatch unit, provider, or current dispatch.

To access the Search For Resources screen

- On the **Resource** menu, click **Search For Resources**.

Search For Resources

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Set Filter Criteria For Resources

Last Name *
 Catalog: Aircraft
 Home Dispatch -

First Name
 Provider -

Resource Name *
 Current Dispatch -

Select Resource

Resource Name	Status	Incident Name	Request #	Current Dispatch	Home Dispatch

View Resource Name Assignment Resource Name

To locate an overhead resource

- 1 On the **Search For Resources** screen under **Set Filter Criteria For Resources**, type the following information as appropriate
 - Last Name - *required for overhead resources*
 - First Name.
- 2 Complete any additional boxes to narrow your search, and then click the **Search** button.

For more information about performing wildcard searches, see the next section, "Performing wildcard searches," in this chapter.

The following diagram shows a sample listing of names based on a Last Name and Current Dispatch search.

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Set Filter Criteria For Resources

Last Name * Catalog: Aircraft Home Dispatch -
 First Name Provider -
 Resource Name * Current Dispatch CO -

Select Resource

Resource Name	Status	Incident	Request #	Current Dispatch	Home Dispatch
SMITH III, MORRIS M	Unavailable	NONE		CO-WRCC	CO-WRCC
Smith, Barry	Available	NONE		CO-GJC	CO-GJC
SMITH, BRIAN	Unavailable	NONE		CO-FTC	CO-FTC
SMITH, CHARLES H	Unavailable	NONE		CO-WRCC	CO-WRCC
SMITH, CHERI-MICOL R	Available	NONE		CO-PBC	CO-PBC
Smith, Cheryl	Available	NONE		CO-RMC	CO-RMC
SMITH, CHRIS	Unavailable	NONE		CO-RMC	CO-RMC
SMITH, DAVE	Available	NONE		CO-PBC	CO-PBC
SMITH, DEBORAH L	Unavailable	NONE		CO-WRCC	CO-WRCC
SMITH, ERIC	Available	NONE		CO-PBC	CO-PBC
Smith, Janelle	Unavailable	NONE		CO-RMC	CO-RMC
SMITH, JEFFREY A	At Incident	[CO-PBC-000007] LOADTES...	E-6.3	CO-PBC	WY-CDC
Smith, John	Available	NONE		CO-GJC	CO-GJC

View Resource Name Assignment Resource Name

Viewing resource information



The View button allows you to view the resource and home dispatch. If the resource is currently assigned to an incident, the View button allows you to view the current request, requesting unit, filling unit, and any associated support and/or subordinate requests.

To view specific overhead resource information

- 1 On the **Search For Resources** screen, locate and then click to select the **resource name** of your choice.
- 2 Click the **View** button, and then click to select **View Resource**.
- 3 On the **View Resource** dialog box, click the appropriate tab to view specific information about the resource.
- 4 When finished, click the **Close** button.

The following diagram shows the Organizations tab on the View Resource dialog box for an overhead resource.

Special Conditions	Features	Assignment History	Contract Information	Contacts	Documentation
Organizations		Qualifications		Availability	
Role	Organization Name	Unit ID	Phone Number		
Current Dispatch Unit	Grand Junction Air Center	CO-GJC			
Home Dispatch	Grand Junction Air Center	CO-GJC			
Home Unit	Greater Eagle FPD	CO-GREX			
Owner	Colorado State Forest Service - Grand Junction Area	CO-GJS			
Provider	Colorado State Forest Service - Grand Junction Area	CO-GJS			

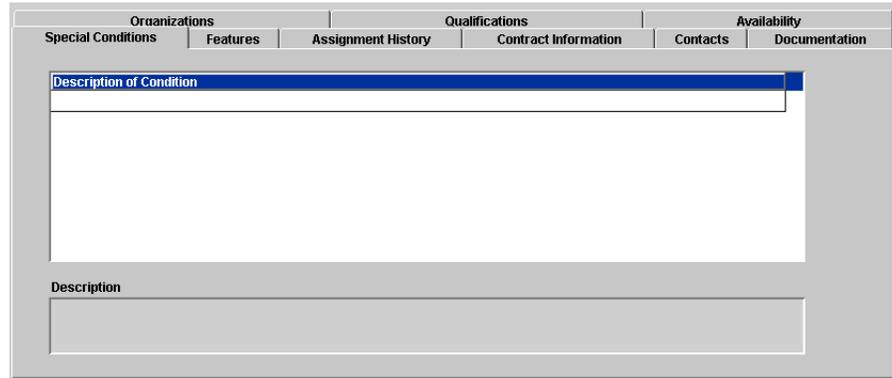
The following diagram shows the Qualifications tab on the View Resources dialog box.

Special Conditions	Features	Assignment History	Contract Information	Contacts	Documentation
Organizations		Qualifications		Availability	
Qualified As	Qual Status	Expire Date	Visible		
INCIDENT COMMANDER T4	QUALIFIED		Yes		
STRIKE TEAM LEADER- CREW	QUALIFIED		Yes		
STRIKE TEAM LEADER- ENGINE	QUALIFIED		Yes		
TASK FORCE LEADER	TRAINEE		Yes		

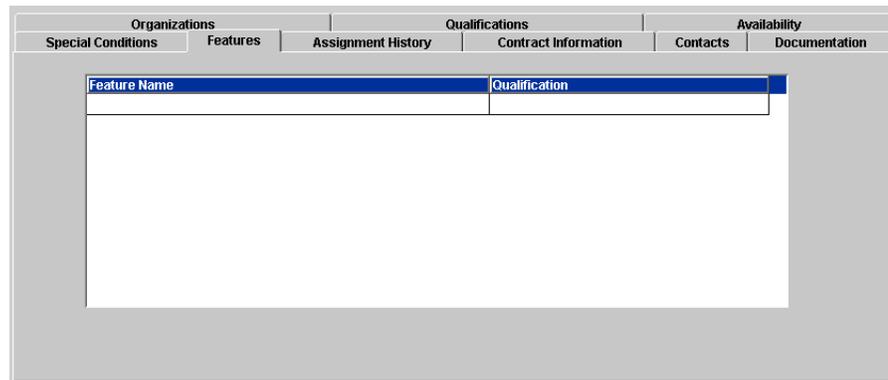
The following diagram shows the Availability tab on the View Resources dialog box.

Special Conditions	Features	Assignment History	Contract Information	Contacts	Documentation
Organizations		Qualifications		Availability	
Maximum Days of Commitment		<input type="text"/>	Activation Date	<input type="text"/>	
			Deactivation Date	<input type="text"/>	
Unavailability Period					
From	To	Reason			
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>			

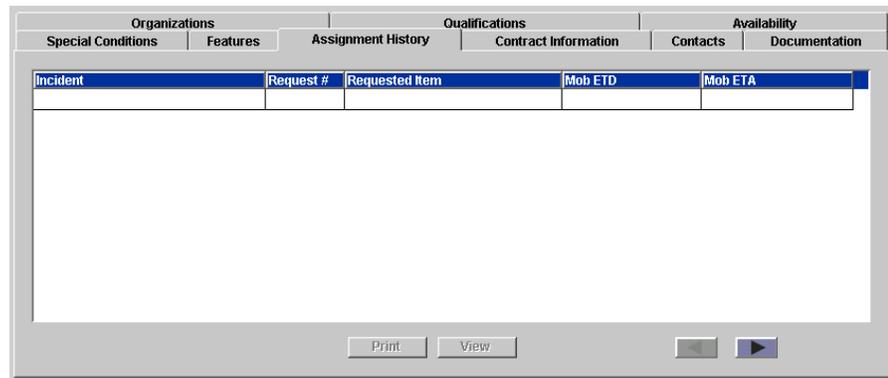
The following diagram shows the Special Conditions tab on the View Resources dialog box.



The following diagram shows the Features tab on the View Resources dialog box.



The following diagram shows the Assignment History tab on the View Resources dialog box.



The following diagram shows the Contract Information tab on the View Resources dialog box.

Organizations		Qualifications			Availability	
Special Conditions	Features	Assignment History	Contract Information		Contacts	Documentation
Contract #	Begin Date	End Date	Global Access	Contract Type	Contract Contact	

The following diagram shows the Contacts tab on the View Resources dialog box.

Organizations		Qualifications			Availability	
Special Conditions	Features	Assignment History	Contract Information		Contacts	Documentation
Type	Entry					
Cell	970-471-4048					
Cell	970-376-7005					



The following diagram shows the Documentation tab on the View Resources dialog box.

Organizations		Qualifications			Availability	
Special Conditions	Features	Assignment History	Contract Information		Contacts	Documentation
Documentation			Time Entered	Created By		

The Roster tab displays on the View Resource dialog box only if the resource is on a roster.

To locate and view resource information about a specific catalog item

- 1 On the **Search For Resources** screen under **Set Filter Criteria For Resources**, click **Resource Name**, and then type the **name of the resource** in the **Resource Name** box.
- 2 Click the **Catalog** drop-down arrow, and then click to select the **catalog** of your choice.
- 3 Complete any additional boxes to narrow your search, and then click the **Search** button.

For more information about performing wildcard searches, see the next section, "Performing wildcard searches," in this chapter.

- 4 Click to select the **resource name** of your choice, click the **View** button, and then click to select **View Resource**.

The following diagram shows a sample search for engines on the Search For Resources screen.

Set Filter Criteria For Resources

Last Name * Catalog:
 Home Dispatch

First Name
 Provider

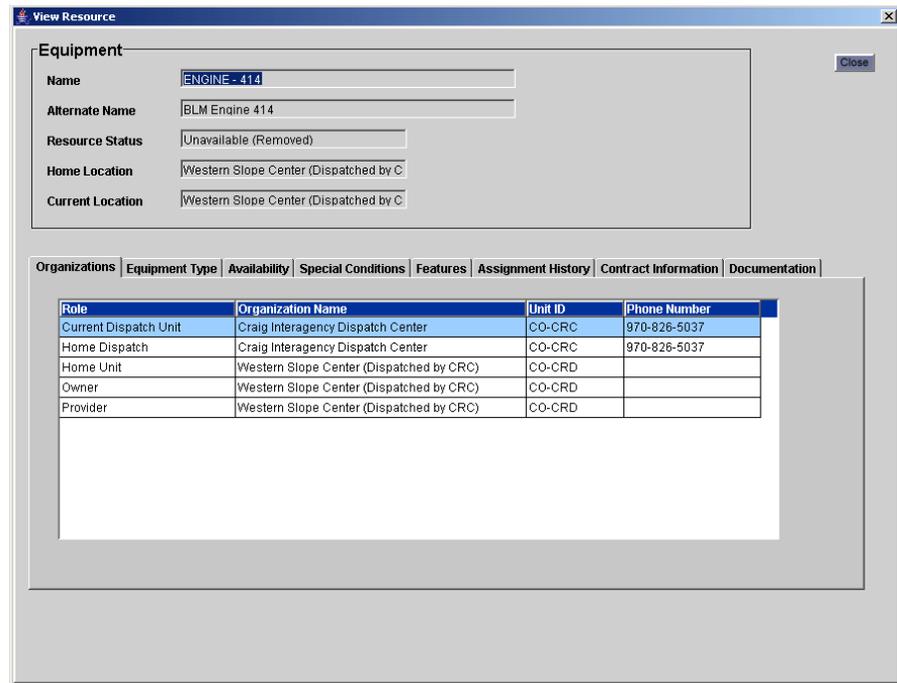
Resource Name *
 Current Dispatch

Select Resource

Resource Name	Status	Incident	Request #	Current Dispatch	Home Dispatch
Eng 431-Chase	Returned From Assi...	NONE		CO-MTC	CO-MTC
ENGINE - 414	Unavailable (Remov...	NONE		CO-CRC	CO-CRC
ENGINE - 415	Unavailable (Remov...	NONE		CO-CRC	CO-CRC
ENGINE - 431 Ouray BLM	Returned From Assi...	NONE		CO-MTC	CO-MTC
ENGINE - 438 Norwood BLM	Unavailable	NONE		CO-MTC	CO-MTC
ENGINE - 534 Ouray BLM	Unavailable	NONE		CO-MTC	CO-MTC
ENGINE - 619	Unavailable (Remov...	NONE		CO-CRC	CO-CRC
ENGINE - 639 Ouray BLM	Returned From Assi...	NONE		CO-MTC	CO-MTC
ENGINE - 651 Norwood USFS	Available	NONE		CO-MTC	CO-MTC
ENGINE - 662 Ouray USFS	Available	NONE		CO-MTC	CO-MTC
ENGINE - 663 Ouray USFS	Available	NONE		CO-MTC	CO-MTC
ENGINE - 671 Gunnison USFS	Available	NONE		CO-MTC	CO-MTC
ENGINE - 697 Gunnison USFS	Available	NONE		CO-MTC	CO-MTC

Resource Name
 Assignment Resource Name

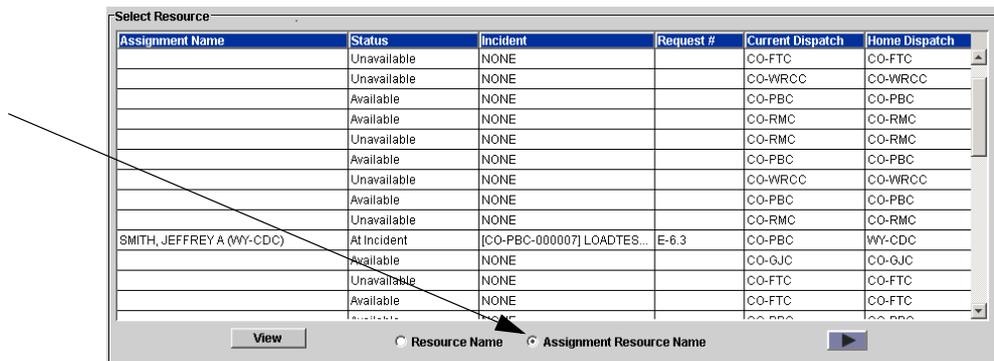
The following diagram shows the Organizations tab on the View Resource dialog box for an engine.



To locate and view the assignment resource name for a specific resource item

- 1 On the **Search For Resources** screen, locate and then click to select the **resource name** of your choice.
- 2 Click **Assignment Resource Name**.
- 3 Click to select the **Assignment Name** of your choice, click the **View** button, and then click to select the view option of your choice.

The following diagram shows the Select Resource portion of the Search For Resources screen for viewing by Assignment Resource Name. The arrow points to the Assignment Resource Name option.



To view incident information

- 1 On the **Search For Resources** screen, locate and then click to select the **resource name** of your choice.
- 2 Click the **View** button, and then click to select **View Incident**.
- 3 When finished, click the **Close** button.

The following diagram shows the View Incident dialog box.

Incident Details

Incident # Initial Date/Time

Name End Date/Time

Incident Type Office Reference

Min Elevation (ft) Max Elevation (ft)

Description

Location | Navigation Aids | Aviation Hazards | Financial Codes | Compact | Locations

Location Name	Latitude	Longitude	Township	Range	Section	1/4 1/4	Base Meridian	UTM Northing
LOADTEST INC1	44 31 44 N	31 44 31 W						4931341

Frequencies | Airports | Reload Bases | Contacts | Organizations | Documentation | Shipping Addresses

Type	Primary	Frequency	Tone	Contact Name	Owner	Air Tactical

To view request information

- 1 On the **Search For Resources** screen, locate and then click to select the **resource name** of your choice.
- 2 Click the **View** button, and then click to select **View Request**.
- 3 When finished, click the **Close** button.

The following diagram shows the View Request dialog box.

The screenshot shows the 'View Request' dialog box with the following fields and values:

- Incident/Request #: CO-PBC-000007 | E-6.3
- Requested Item: FIRE FIGHTER TYPE 2 (FFT2)
- Status: Filled
- Quantity Requested: 1 | Assigned: 1
- Entered Date/Time: 05/08/2007 16:27 MST
- Need Date/Time: 05/08/2007 15:59 MST
- Financial Code: [Empty]
- Special Needs: [Empty]
- Request Contact: jamie
- Incident Ordering Contact: [Empty]
- Claimed By: [Empty]
- Note: [Empty]
- Track: Yes
- Host: Pueblo Interagency Dispatch Center
- Unit Selection: E-6 | Engine, Type 6

At the bottom, there is a 'View' button and a tabbed interface with the following table under the 'History' tab:

Transition Type	From Unit	To Unit	Date/Time
Fill	WY-CDC	CO-PBC	05/08/2007 16:27 MST
Place	CO-PBC	WY-CDC	05/08/2007 16:12 MST
Enter	CO-PBC	CO-PBC	05/08/2007 16:07 MST

To view requesting unit information

- 1 On the **Search For Resources** screen, locate and then click to select the **resource name** of your choice.
- 2 Click the **View** button, and then click to select **View Requesting Unit**.
- 3 When finished, click the **Close** button.

The following diagram shows the View Requesting Unit dialog box.

Organization Details

Organization Name: Pueblo Interagency Dispatch Center

Unit Id: CO-PBC

Organization Type: Local Dispatch

Timezone: Mountain Marked as Removed: No

Non-ROSS: No

Parent Affiliation: Rocky Mountain Area Coordination Center

Address | Contacts | Documentation | Frequencies | Financial Code | Location | Reload Bases

Type	Street 1	Street 2	City	State	Zip	Country
Official	2840 Kachina Drive		Pueblo	CO	81008	USA

To view filling unit information

- 1 On the **Search For Resources** screen, locate and then click to select the **resource name** of your choice.
- 2 Click the **View** button, and then click to select **View Filling Unit**.
- 3 When finished, click the **Close** button.

The following diagram shows the View Filling Unit dialog box.

Organization Details

Organization Name: Cody Interagency Dispatch Center

Unit Id: WY-CDC

Organization Type: Local Dispatch

Timezone: Mountain Marked as Removed: No

Non-ROSS: No

Parent Affiliation: Rocky Mountain Area Coordination Center

Address | Contacts | Documentation | Frequencies | Financial Code | Location | Reload Bases

Type	Street 1	Street 2	City	State	Zip	Country
Mailing	3225 Duggleby Drive		Cody	WY	82414	USA

To view home dispatch information

- 1 On the **Search For Resources** screen, locate and then click to select the **resource name** of your choice.
- 2 Click the **View** button, and then click to select **View Home Dispatch Unit**.
- 3 When finished, click the **Close** button.

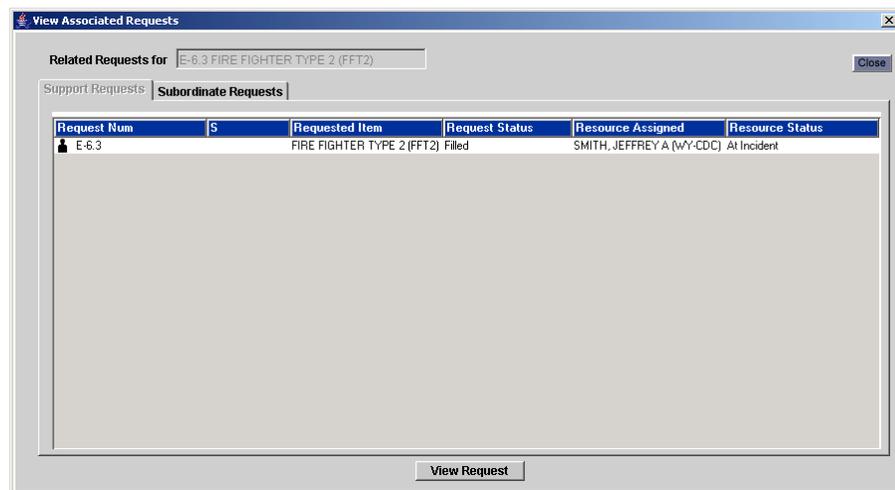
The following diagram shows the View Home Dispatch dialog box.

Type	Street 1	Street 2	City	State	Zip	Country
Mailing	3225 Duggleby Drive		Cody	WY	82414	USA

To view associated requests

- 1 On the **Search For Resources** screen, locate and then click to select the **resource name** of your choice.
- 2 Click the **View** button, and then click to select **View Associated Requests**.
- 3 When finished, click the **Close** button.

The following diagram shows the View Associated Requests dialog box.



Performing wildcard searches and narrowing your search criteria

Using the asterisk (*), you can perform wildcard searches to locate resources that *generally* fit the string of characters you specify. The following table outlines two examples of performing a wildcard search.

To	Do this
Search for a last name beginning with "Sm"	Type Sm* in the Last Name box.
Search for a resource containing the word, "engine."	Click Resource Name , type engine in the Resource Name box, click the Catalog drop-down arrow, and then click to select Equipment .

You can also narrow your search by entering the resource's home dispatch, provider, and/or current dispatch. ROSS displays your search results for all resources that meet your criteria, including resources that are not currently assigned to an incident.

Perform a wildcard search in combination with other filter criteria to quickly display those resource(s).

To narrow your search for resources by home dispatch unit, resource provider, or current dispatch unit

If you know the resource is from a particular state or unit, you can also narrow your search using the two-letter state code or three or four-letter unit ID.

- 1 On the **Search For Resources** screen, perform one or more of the following
 - To narrow your search for resources by home dispatch, type the **home dispatch unit code** in the **Home Dispatch** box.
 - To narrow your search for resources by resource provider, type the **resource provider unit code** in the **Provider** box.
 - To narrow your search for resources by current dispatch, type the **current dispatch unit code** in the **Current Dispatch** box.
- 2 When finished entering all criteria, click the **Search** button.

Exploring the search for resources function in detail

Remember these key points about searching for resources:

- The Search For Resources screen displays the resource name, status, home dispatch, and provider.
- You can search for resources even if they are not managed by your own dispatch center and are not assigned to one of your incidents.
- Resources assigned to an incident also display the incident number, name and type, incident dispatch, request number, and requested catalog item for the current assignment.