One important outcome with an exercise like this was the benefit of sharing information with other agencies.

“Since fires can happen anywhere, we hold these training events in various locations throughout the state,” said Captain Yeargin.

Another important part of these events is that they are beneficial to have a chance to get to know one another and work together in a training setting. It helps us be prepared for a wider range of possible conditions they might encounter in an actual emergency.

Live fire training scenarios like this one give firefighters a chance to experience the unique aspects of an aircraft fire so we can be ready at all times,” explained Captain Yeargin of the Glynn County Fire Department.

During the conference, attendees had an opportunity to discuss the team’s performance after a live fire exercise. The Georgia Public Safety Aviators are grateful to David and Richard Manning of Manning Aviation, Inc., for sharing his expertise.

The conference also provided a chance to share information with law enforcement and military agencies. The Georgia State Patrol and the 165th Airlift Wing of the Georgia National Guard benefited from the conference as well.

One important outcome with an exercise like this is building relationships. ”It’s important to build those relationships because sometimes you never know when you’re going to need that resource,” said Sean Sills, Response Manager for the Georgia Forestry Commission.

The team at the conference also benefited from the collaboration with other agencies. “One of the most gratifying parts of my job is building relationships,” Sills said.

The conference included an interagency approach to emergency management, which included interagency communication, firefighting techniques, search and rescue/recovery, and resource management.

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The importance of emergency training was proven on November 21, 1942, when Armed Forces Day visitors arrived at Naval Air Station Glynco. This dramatic demonstration illustrated the concept of regular emergency training is still an essential part of airport operations.

This saved lives and property while it helped Navy fire crews maintain their skills. The fire crew also had the chance to demonstrate new equipment.

When Armed Forces Day visitors arrived at NAS Glynco that year, they were treated to this dramatic demonstration of firefighting. Although the wooden buildings that made up the Marine Corps Recruit Depot and the dining hall were not large, the fire was fueled by the wooden buildings that were under construction.

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