**Who was involved**

12 partner agencies from North and South Carolina came together to organize and implement the training

50% participants from 3 countries, 14 states, and 21 agencies attended this two-week intensive training

20% professionals were involved as trainers, presenters and organizers for this event

100 percent of participants surveyed said they would take what they learned back to their home unit

**What was accomplished**

3 controlled burns completed during an unusual rainy period

5.5 5.5 miles of firebreaks built, setting the stage for 10 future controlled burns

154 training assignments within a Type III Incident Management framework were completed on 7 different agency lands across North and South Carolina

**Getting the word out**

41 social media posts and 5,034 reactions, comments and shares

12 media stories were covered by radio, news stations and newspapers

5 information boards about SBR TREX were located at central points along Highway 11 in South Carolina to update the local communities about the training

150 Flyers were distributed through the mountains of North and South Carolina announcing the training so local communities and visitors were aware of crews working in the area.

**About SBR TREX**

The Southern Blue Ridge Prescribed Fire Training Exchange (TREX) was held in the mountains of South Carolina Oct. 29-Nov. 9, 2018. The Fire Learning Network’s national training program brought fire professionals from around the world with diverse backgrounds to obtain hands-on fire experience, share knowledge and expertise, and better understand the art and science of fire management and ecology in the Southern Blue Ridge. This was the first of this type of training offered in the Appalachians.