



National Fire and Aviation Executive Board

September 8, 2004

Memorandum

To: Agency Personnel:
Bureau of Indian Affairs
Bureau of Land Management
National Park Service
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
USDA Forest Service

From: National Fire and Aviation Executive Board

Subject: Interagency Strategy for the Implementation of Federal Wildland Fire Management Policy

On June 20, 2003, the Wildland Fire Leadership Council approved implementation direction for the Federal Wildland Fire Management Policy.

The National Fire and Aviation Executive Board (NFAEB) has been tasked to develop common language and unified direction or guidance for agency/bureau manuals, directives, handbooks, and guidelines to complete final implementation of this policy. This task will require NFAEB to coordinate with states in order that cooperative agreements and other reciprocal agreements reflect the implementation direction.

The NFAEB has chartered the Federal Fire Policy Directives Task Group to accomplish this implementation. The Task Group is composed of the following interagency group of fire management specialists:

Gregory Greenhoe - USDA Forest Service, Co-Chair
Rick Jensen - USDI Bureau of Land Management, Co-Chair
Andy Bellcourt – USDI Bureau of Indian Affairs
Fred Bird – USDI National Park Service
Rod Bloms – USDI Fish & Wildlife Service
Rose Davis – NIFC Public Affairs Specialist

Tasks have been prioritized and a timeline for completion has been developed. The Task Group will work with other task groups, committees and working teams in implementing the fire policy. Only unresolved issues will be taken to the NFAEB for resolution. Please provide every assistance to the Federal Fire Policy Directives Task Group.

Please contact the Directives Task Group Co-Chairs Greg Greenhoe (406-370-3988) or Rick Jensen (208-850-9418) if you have any questions or concerns.

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