Coordinating Group Advisory Council

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To: Rob Allen

From: Chair, Coordinating Group Advisory Council (CGAC)

Subject: Risk Management Communication Strategy for Incident Management Teams

Several Geographic Area Coordinating Groups are reporting that type 1 and 2 Incident Management Teams (IMT) utilize different models and methodology to display and communicate risk to Agency Administrators (AA). This can lead to confusion for IMTs and AAs when out of Geographic Area teams are assigned to incidents. For example, Pacific Northwest utilizes the PACE model to communicate risk, which is not learned or practiced in other Geographic Areas. The models and methodology practiced in the field does not always align with current curriculum in the L or S series courses.

The CGAC approves Rob Allen to develop a task group, inclusive of non-federal partners (NASF) and AAs, and work on the following:

1- Gather baseline information regarding models used to communicate risk to AAs by IMTs.

2- Make a determination regarding effectiveness and efficiency of the models and methodology used by IMTs to communicate risk.

3- Make a recommendation regarding best management practices to communicate risk to AAs.

Please coordinate with other national and geographic level committees as appropriate, such as the ICAC Council, NWCG, GATRs, Risk Management Committee, etc.

It will be important to consider the linkages between the task group recommendations and existing agency policy.

Please be prepared to provide an update monthly on the CGAC conference calls, deliver a final recommendation for this tasking to CGAC in October of 2017, and participate in a final recommendation to NMAC at the NMAC/CGAC/GMAC meeting in January 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

/s/ Michael Morcom