

# National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

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To: Mike Morcom, Chair, Coordinating Group Advisory Council

From: National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

Subject: National Buying Teams Task Group

On January 20, 2017, the Coordinating Group Advisory Council (CGAC) submitted a draft tasking for Dan O'Brien to form a group to address the overuse of Buying Teams to the National Multi Agency Coordinating Group (NMAC). The tasking laid out four tasks to accomplish:

- 1- Gather baseline information regarding the number of National Buying Teams available for mobilization, the team composition and contribution by agency.
- 2- Determine actual use of National Buying Teams over the last 5 years.
- 3- Make a recommendation regarding what services could be combined or work provided remotely.
- 4- Summarize issues regarding recruitment and retention and highlight potential solutions for further study.

NMAC accepts CGAC's recommendation for the tasking as written, with one minor change. In the sentence following the four tasks, "Please coordinate with other national and geographic level committees as appropriate, i.e. The National Incident Business Committee, NWCG, NICC, GATRS etc.," NMAC requests that this sentence is rewritten (additions in italics): "Please coordinate with other national and geographic level committees as appropriate, i.e. The National Incident Business Committee, NWCG, NICC, GATRS, *agency administrators, non-federal partners, etc.*"

NMAC concurs with the due dates as stated in the draft and appreciates the work of CGAC and the task group on this critical issue.

/s/ Dan Buckley  
Chair, NMAC

