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To: Ken Pimlott, CAL FIRE Director

From: National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

Subject: CAL FIRE Participation on National Area Command Teams

The National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group (NMAC) is extending an invitation to CAL FIRE for participation on National Area Command Teams. Other state and local fire organizations have been participating for many years on Area Command Teams. NMAC believes this would be a mutually beneficial partnership for both CAL FIRE and the National Area Command Teams. Area Command Teams would benefit from CAL FIRE expertise; CAL FIRE personnel would benefit by being exposed to a variety of different experiences managing complex incidents occurring across the United States.

Area Command Teams provide a valuable service to our nation by: 1) overseeing the management of multiple incidents that are each being handled by an incident management team (IMT) organization; or 2) overseeing the management of a very large incident that has multiple IMTs assigned to it. Area Command has the responsibility within their delegation of authority to set overall strategy and priorities, allocate critical resources based on priorities, ensure that incidents are properly managed, and that objectives are met and strategies followed.

If CAL FIRE would like to participate in the National Area Command Teams, NMAC welcomes you. If there are any questions or need more information, please contact Susie Stingley, Director of the National Interagency Coordination Center.

/s/ Dan Buckley
Chair, NMAC

