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To: Geographic Area Coordination Group Chairs
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Subject: Management of National Resources

National Resources are those which have national utilization, high demand, limited availability, and unique status reporting requirements identified by the National Interagency Coordination Center (NICC). They are managed nationally, with oversight and support provided locally.

National Resources are allocated and prepositioned in accordance with the National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group (NMAC) strategic considerations for geographic capability and prioritization criteria. NICC implements NMAC intent by guiding the mobilization of specific categories, types, and quantities of resources according to national priorities. Although drawdown resources are considered unavailable outside their local and/or Geographic Area they may still be reallocated by NICC under the direction of NMAC to meet higher priority obligations.

In setting national priorities and drawdown levels, the following criteria will be considered:

- Protecting communities and community infrastructure, other property and improvements, and natural and cultural resources.
- Maintaining initial attack capability.
- Limiting costs without compromising safety.
- Meeting agency suppression objectives.
- Support to National Response Framework (NRF) taskings.

National Resources Include:

* Type 1 Interagency Management Teams (Type 1 & NIMO)
* National Area Command Teams
* National Buying Teams
* Type 1 Interagency Hotshot Crews
* Smokejumpers
* Large and Very Large Airtankers
* Type 3 Multi-Engine Water Scoopers
* National Aerial Supervision Modules and Lead Planes
* Modular Airborne Firefighting Systems
* National Contract Type 1 and Type 2 Helicopters
* Smokejumper Aircraft
* National Infrared Aircraft
* Large Transport Aircraft
* National Contract Unmanned Aircraft Systems
* National Contract Mobile Food Services Units
* National Interagency Support Cache (NISC) System
* NFES Managed Items
* Incident Remote Automatic Weather Stations
* National Contract Mobile Shower Facilities
* National Interagency Incident Communications Division (NIICD)
NMAC provides an essential management mechanism for national level strategic coordination to ensure that firefighting resources are efficiently and appropriately managed in a cost effective manner. This will continue to be achieved with effective coordination and communication with Geographic Areas.

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