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To: Fire Management Officers

From: National Fire and Aviation Executive Board

Subject: Interagency Fire Program Management Qualifications Standards and Guide Implementation Assessment

The National Fire and Aviation Executive Board (NFAEB) recognizes that implementation of the IFPM Standard has posed some challenges and we would like to take this opportunity to commend the fire management and human resources community for all their hard work.

To assess the impacts of implementation of the IFPM Standard the NFAEB has requested the IFPM Implementation Team to collect incumbent information as it relates to the IFPM Minimum Qualification Standards. This information will be used to determine training needs and set priorities.

Each unit with employees in one of the 14 key positions will gather this information and send it to their Regional or State IFPM Fire Management representative by May 9, 2005. The Regional or State representative will compile the information and send it to their National IFPM Fire Management representative by May 20, 2005. The attached spreadsheet and instructions should be used to compile this information.

The NFAEB fully supports the transition to the IFPM Standard and will continue to be responsible for decisions and implementation actions. If you have questions, please review the information on the IFPM website (http://ifpm.nifc.gov) or contact your agency fire management or human resource IFPM representative through appropriate channels.

Attachments:
IFPM Position Inventory Spreadsheet
IFPM Position Inventory Instructions
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