



Fire Management Board

FIRE MANAGEMENT BOARD

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TO: Fire Management Board Members

FROM: Leon Ben Jr., Chair, Fire Management Board

SUBJECT: Establishment of Wildland Fire COVID-19 Screening Interim Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)

The interagency wildland fire community is committed to preventing the spread of COVID-19 and promoting the health and wellness of all wildland firefighters and support personnel. Consistent and continual monitoring of personnel is the first step in preventing the movement of potentially infected individuals and the spread of COVID-19.

This memo releases the Wildland Fire COVID-19 Screening Interim Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs). This guidance, developed by the COVID-19 Wildland Fire Medical and Public Health Advisory Team (MPHAT), establishes interim standard operating procedures and protocols for screening of wildland fire personnel at duty stations and during incident management activities to protect individuals with potential COVID-19 infection and reduce exposure.

The attached screening guidance is strongly recommended for adoption and implementation across the interagency wildland fire community. Daily screenings at wildland fire duty stations and at incidents, as frequently and extensively as possible, will promote the health and well-being of all wildland fire personnel.

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