UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Title	Subject Function Code
Approval of Wildfire Decisions	9211

References:
☒ Department Manual   ☐ Bureau Manual
☐ C. F. R.   ☐ Other

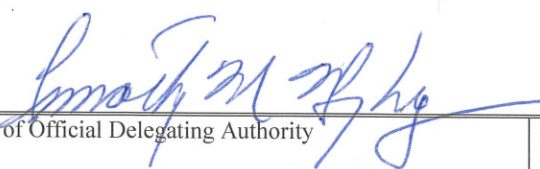| Delegation from	Delegated to
Director	District Manager, Field Manager, Alaska Fire Service Manager, Alaska Fire Service Fire Management Officers

May be redelegated?   ☐ Yes   ☒ No

Requires publication in Federal Register?   ☐ Yes   ☒ No

Narrative and Limitations (if any)?

This delegation replaces a Delegation of Authority signed by the Assistant Director, Fire and Aviation, on May 24, 2012, for approval of wildfire decisions. It also replaces sections of the 1203 Delegation of Authority Manual (Appendix 1, Page 97, Rel. 1-1717, dated 07/14/2009) pertinent to approval of the Wildland Fire Situation Analysis (WFSA) and the Wildland Fire Implementation Plan (WFIP).

This delegation provides for wildfire decision approval to district and field office managers for fires on BLM lands, and to the Alaska Fire Service Manager and Alaska Fire Service Fire Management Officers for non-BLM Department of the Interior lands and Alaska Native Lands in Alaska (see Attachment 1). Decision approval may not be redelegated below these levels. Decision approval is delegated to these levels because local managers generally have the most detailed knowledge of fire conditions and close interaction with incident management teams.

Signature of Official Delegating Authority   Date   12/13/2012

Attachment 1-1

Subject Code or Regulation	Activity	Department		BLM WO Officials				BLM Field Officials		Other BLM	
		SEC	AS	D/DD	AD	NOCD	DC	SD	DM	LE	See Note
9211	Approve wildfire decisions for fires which: ○ Escape initial attack; ○ Are managed for multiple objectives; or ○ Exhibit high complexity due to one or more of the following: values at risk, potential for growth, potential duration, or other factors requiring Agency Administrator awareness Wildfire decision approval will be documented in the Wildland Fire Decision Support System (WFDSS) * – Includes both District Managers and Field Managers as wildfire decision approvers. Cannot be redelegated. 1 – In Alaska, approval of wildfire decisions for fires with costs less than $5 Million is delegated to Alaska Fire Service Zone Fire Management Officers for DOI-managed and Alaska Native lands based on direction in 620DM2. 1 - In Alaska, approval of wildfire decisions for fires with costs $5 Million and above is delegated to Alaska Fire Service Manager for DOI-managed and Alaska Native lands based on direction in 620DM2. 1 - The BLM DM/FM is responsible for approval of wildfire decisions on BLM-managed lands in Alaska. Source: 135 DM1, 620 DM1, 620 DM2								X*		1

Attachment 1 - Amendment to Delegation of Authority Manual Section-1203 for Wildfire Decision Approval