

NORTHERN ROCKIES SUPPLEMENT

APPENDICES

Appendix A - NRCG Mobilization of Montana Local Government Resources

Guidelines for Montana Local Government Fire Forces (LGFF) apparatus, equipment, and personnel are hired by Northern Rockies Coordinating Group (NRCG) agencies. The most current version of this document can be located at:

<https://dnrc.mt.gov/Forestry/Wildfire/agreements-plans-guides>

Appendix B - Cooperative Agreements

Successful fire management within the Northern Rockies geographic area requires close cooperation among a variety of federal, state and local fire departments, agencies and other organizations. Dispatchers and fire personnel must be informed and knowledgeable about the capabilities and needs of cooperators. Copies of cooperative agreements and operating plans must be made available to dispatchers and fire managers. It is generally most effective to handle cooperative efforts at a local level.

Note: *The following agreements, plans, MOUs, and guides are dated with the most recently published date according to the source reference. More recently dated documents supersede those listed.*

COMPACTS

Northwest Wildland Fire Protection Agreement (Northwest Compact)

The purpose of the Northwest Compact is "...to promote effective prevention, pre-suppression and control of forest fires in the Northwest wildland region of the United States and adjacent areas of Canada..." The agreement allows the members; States of Oregon, Washington, Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Hawaii, Yukon, Northwest Territories, British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan to request and provide mutual aid resources from each other. "Members may request the United States Forest Service to act as the coordinating agency of the Northwest Wildland Fire Protection Agreement in cooperation with the appropriate agencies for each member". A copy of the current Agreement can be found at: <https://nwffc.org/>

Great Plains Interstate Forest Fire Compact

North Dakota and South Dakota are member states of this compact, along with the member states of Colorado, Kansas, Wyoming, Nebraska, New Mexico, and the Province of Saskatchewan. The Compact was enabled by the United States Congress and signed into federal law in 2005. The purpose of the Compact is to share forest fire prevention and suppression resources within the Compact and with other interstate forest fire Compacts across the nation. The Great Plains Compact Annual Operating Plan may be found at: https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/nrcg/agreements_operating_plans/GPIFC-AOP.pdf

INTERAGENCY AGREEMENTS

Interagency Agreement for Air Traffic Control Services and Temporary Mobile Air Traffic Control Tower:

[https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/dispatch/aviation/FAA\(WSA\)TemporaryTowerAgreement.pdf](https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/dispatch/aviation/FAA(WSA)TemporaryTowerAgreement.pdf)

Master Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement Between USDI, Bureau of Land Management, Oregon and Washington; National Park Service, Pacific West Region; Bureau of Indian Affairs, Northwest Region; US Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Region and USDA, Forest Service, Pacific Northwest and Northern Regions Et Al.

This Agreement documents the commitment of agencies to improve wildland fire protection by facilitating the increased availability of resources including but not limited to: The exchange of personnel, equipment, supplies, services and funds among the agencies. A copy of the agreement and operating plan can be found at:

https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/nrcg/agreements_operating_plans/Master%20Interagency%20Agreement%20for%20Wildland%20Fire%20Mgmt%202017%20Final.pdf

Idaho Cooperative Wildland Fire Protection and Stafford Act Response Agreement Between State of Idaho Department Of Lands AND USDI, Bureau of Land Management, Idaho; National Park Service, Pacific West Region; Bureau of Indian Affairs, Northwest Region; US Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Region and USDA Forest Service, Region 1, Region 6, Region 4.

This agreement documents the commitment of agencies to improve wildland fire protection by facilitating the increased availability of resources including but not limited to: The exchange of personnel, equipment, supplies, services and funds among the agencies. The agreement also documents the commitment of agencies to provide cooperation, resources and support to the Secretary of Homeland Security in the implementation of the National Response Framework, as appropriate and consistent with their own authorities and responsibilities. Only Presidential declared emergencies and disasters are covered under this agreement. A copy of the agreement and operating plan can be found at:

https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/nrcg/agreements_operating_plans/Idaho-CFMA-Operating-Plan.pdf

Montana Cooperative Fire Management and Stafford Act Agreement between State Of Montana, Department Of Natural Resources and Conservation and USDI, Bureau of Land Management, Montana and Dakotas; National Park Service, Intermountain Region; Bureau of Indian Affairs, Northwest and Rocky Mountain Regions; US Fish and Wildlife Service, Mountain-Prairie Region and USDA Forest Service, Region 1.

This Agreement documents the commitment of agencies to improve wildland fire protection by facilitating the increased availability of resources including but not limited to: The exchange of personnel, equipment, supplies, services and funds among the agencies. The agreement also documents the commitment of agencies to provide cooperation, resources and support to the Secretary of Homeland Security in the implementation of the National Response Framework, as appropriate and consistent with their own authorities and responsibilities. Only Presidential declared emergencies and disasters are covered under this agreement. A copy of

the agreement can be found at: https://dnrc.mt.gov/docs/forestry/Wildfire/agreements-plans-guides/Six-Party-FINAL-23FI0156048_MTDNRC-OtherFeds_MontanaStatewideMasterCFMA_OP_EXECUTED.pdf#MT-Six-Party-Agreement

North Dakota Cooperative Wildland Fire Protection and Stafford Act Response Agreement Between State of North Dakota, North Dakota Forest Service and USDI, Bureau Of Land Management, Montana and Dakotas: National Park Service, Midwest Region; Bureau of Indian Affairs, Great Plains Region; US Fish and Wildlife Service, Mountain Prairie Region and USDA Forest Service, Northern Region.

This Agreement documents the commitment of agencies to improve wildland fire protection by facilitating the increased availability of resources including but not limited to: The exchange of personnel, equipment, supplies, services and funds among the agencies. The agreement also documents the commitment of agencies to provide cooperation, resources and support to the Secretary of Homeland Security in the implementation of the National Response Framework, as appropriate and consistent with their own authorities and responsibilities. Only presidentially declared emergencies and disasters are covered under this agreement. A copy of the agreement can be found at:

https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/nrcg/agreements_operating_plans/24FI0156003_ND_MasterStateWideCooperativeWildlandFireManagement_EXECUTED_NDS_BLM_FS_FWS_NPS.pdf

South Dakota Cooperative Wildland Fire Protection and Stafford Act Response Agreement Between State of South Dakota and USDI, Bureau of Land Management, Montana-Dakotas State Office; National Park Service, Midwest Region; Bureau of Indian Affairs, Great Plains Region; US Fish and Wildlife Service, Mountain Prairie Region and USDA Forest Service, Region 1.

The purpose of this cooperative fire management agreement is to document agreement and commitment to fire management assistance and cooperation. A copy of the agreement can be found at:

https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/nrcg/agreements_operating_plans/SD_CoopFireAgreement.pdf

INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

International Support - Canada

https://www.nifc.gov/sites/default/files/NICC/CAN_US_Ops_Plan_2024.pdf

British Columbia and NW United States Wildfire Response Border Arrangement Between British Columbia Ministry of Forest Lands & Natural Resource Operations and US Forest Service Pacific Northwest, Alaska and Northern Regions and National Park Service Pacific West, Alaska and Intermountain Regions and Bureau of Land Management Oregon/Washington and Idaho State Offices

Provides framework for exchange of fire management resources along the United States British Columbia Border. A copy of the agreement and operating guideline can be found at:

https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/nrcg/agreements_operating_plans/BC-NWUS-Border-Arrangement.pdf

Australia Support – Policy and Operational Guidelines

<https://www.nifc.gov/sites/default/files/document-media/Australia%20Support.pdf>

New Zealand Support – Policy and Operational Guidelines

<https://www.nifc.gov/sites/default/files/documentmedia/New%20Zealand%20Support.pdf>

Mexico Support – Policy and Operational Guidelines

<https://www.nifc.gov/sites/default/files/document-media/Mexico%20Support.pdf>

MODULAR AIRBORNE FIREFIGHTING SYSTEMS OPERATIONS PLAN

This instruction implements Forest Service Operations Guidelines for the Modular Airborne Fire Fighting Systems (MAFFS) training and operations program. It provides guidance regarding the activation, operation, and training; and outlines actions associated with the MAFFS operations. This publication applies to Air National Guard (ANG) Wings and Air Force Reserve (AFRC) Wings authorized for MAFFS deployment and agency employees holding the appropriate wildland firefighting certifications for MAFFS operations. A copy of this ops plan may be found at:

[https://www.nifc.gov/sites/default/files/documentmedia/MAFFS Operations Plan.pdf](https://www.nifc.gov/sites/default/files/documentmedia/MAFFS%20Operations%20Plan.pdf)

NATIONAL GUARD

Memorandum of Agreement between Montana Department of Military Affairs, Montana National Guard and Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Forestry Division

The Cooperative Agreement outlines use and procedures for requesting assistance from the Montana National Guard for emergency firefighting aircraft, personnel and equipment for use on federal, state and private lands in Montana. A Copy of this agreement may be found at:

<https://dnrc.mt.gov/Forestry/Wildfire/2024-Wildland-Fire-Fighting-MOA.pdf>

Memorandum of Agreement for State Cooperation Fire Suppression Operations between Military Division, State Of Idaho and Idaho Department of Lands

The memorandum of agreement provides guidance to enhance cooperation between parties to facilitate employment of IDNG facilities, equipment and personnel for firefighting operations in Idaho. A copy of this agreement can be found at:

https://gacc.nifc.gov/nrcc/administrative/policy_reports/Idaho%20Military%20Division%20-%20Cooperation%20in%20Wildland%20Fire%20Suppression.pdf

STATES

Idaho

Idaho Cooperative Mobilization Agreements: <https://www.idl.idaho.gov/fire-management/incident-business/incident-business-idaho-cooperative-mobilization-agreements/>

Preseason Contracts by Dispatch Zone: <https://www.idl.idaho.gov/fire-management/incident-business/preseason-contracts/>

MONTANA

Memorandum of Agreement between Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation and Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association [Project STAR] Valid until rescinded

Agreement facilitates rapid deployment of law enforcement strike teams to incidents needing large scale evacuation of public. A copy of this agreement may be found at:

https://dnrc.mt.gov/docs/forestry/Wildfire/agreements-plans-guides/2024-2027_MSPOA-DNRC_FIRE_MOA.pdf

Cooperative Agreement between Department Of Natural Resources and Conservation and the Department of Corrections

Agreement to provide trained fire crews to suppress wildland fires burning on or threatening land protected by agencies recognized by the DNRC. A copy of this agreement may be found at:

https://dnrc.mt.gov/docs/forestry/Wildfire/agreements-plans-guides/2023-2026_MOU-DNRC_MTCOR.pdf

Traffic Control MOU between DNRC and Department of Transportation

Provides for safe and efficient movement of road users around incident management activities. A copy of this agreement may be found at:

https://dnrc.mt.gov/docs/forestry/Wildfire/agreements-plans-guides/2017-2019-Update_Traffic_Control_MOU_MDT_DNRC_April2017.pdf#Traffic-Control-MOU-DNRC-MDT-2017-2021

Interstate Mutual Aid Agreement for Wildland Fire Management Assistance between Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation and New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection Forest Fire Service

A copy of this agreement may be found at:

https://dnrc.mt.gov/docs/forestry/Wildfire/agreements-plans-guides/2022_NEW-JERSEY_MONTANA_AGREEMENT_FINAL.pdf#New-Jersey-Montana-Interstate-Mutual-Aid-Agreement-for-Wildland-Fire-2022-2027

Interstate Mutual Aid Agreement for Wildland Fire Management Assistance between Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation and The South Carolina Forestry Commission

A copy of this agreement may be found at:

https://dnrc.mt.gov/docs/forestry/Wildfire/agreements-plans-guides/2022_South-Carolina_MT_Agreement_2022-2027.pdf

Appendix C – Acronym Guide

The following acronyms are used throughout the National Interagency Standards for Resource Mobilization:

AA	Agency Administrator
ICAC	Incident Commanders Advisory Council
AD	Administratively Determined
AFF	Automated Flight Following
AGL	Above Ground Level
AIMS	At Incident Management Support
AMRS	All-Hazards Meteorological Response System
ARA	Air Resource Advisor
ASTAT	Aviation Safety and Technical Assistance Team
ASM1	Aerial Supervision Module
ATD	Actual Time of Departure
BAER	Burned Area Emergency Response
BIA	Bureau of Indian Affairs
BHA	Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance
BLM	Bureau of Land Management
BNML	Battalion Military Liaison
BPA	Blanket Purchase Agreement
BUYT	Buying Team
CDO	Communications Duty Officer
CIMT	Complex Incident Management Team
COD	Coordinator on Duty
COMC	Communications Coordinator
COML	Incident Communication Unit Leader
COP	Chief-of-Party
COR	Contracting Officer Representative
CORD	Expanded Dispatch Coordinator

CMAT	Community Mitigation Assistance Teams
CRWB	Crew Boss
CREP	Crew Representative
CRM	Crew Resource Management
CWN	Call-When-Needed
DASP	Disaster Assistance Support Program
DCO	Defense Coordinating Officer
DDP	Designated Dispatch Point
DLA	Defense Logistics Agency
DOD	Department of Defense
DOI	Department of Interior
EDSP	Expanded Dispatch Supervisory Dispatcher
EERA	Emergency Equipment Rental Agreement
EFTR	Emergency Firefighter Time Report
ESF	Emergency Support Function
EST	Emergency Support Team
ETA	Estimated Time of Arrival
ETD	Estimated Time of Departure
ETE	Estimated Time Enroute
FAA	Federal Aviation Administration
FAR	Federal Aviation Regulations
FAST	Fire and Aviation Safety Team
FFAST	Federal Fire and Aviation Safety Team
FBO	Fixed Base Operator
FEMA	Federal Emergency Management Agency
FMO	Fire Management Officer
FOG	Field Operations Guide
FOR	Fixed Operating Rate
FRS	Family Radio Service

FS	Forest Service
FSS	Federal Supply System
FTA	Fire Traffic Area
FWS	Fish and Wildlife Service
GACC	Geographic Area Coordination Center
GACG	Geographic Area Coordinating Group
GMAC	Geographic Multi-Agency Coordinating Group
GSA	General Services Administration
HMGB	Helicopter Manager Single Resource
HSPD	Homeland Security Presidential Directive
HUCC	Host Unit Coordination Center
IA	Initial Attack
IAA	Incident Awareness and Assessment
IARR	Interagency Resource Representative
I-BPA	Incident Blanket Purchase Agreement
IC	Incident Commander
ICS	Incident Command System
ICS 209	Incident Status Summary
IHC	Interagency Hotshot Crew
IMET	Incident Meteorologist
IMSR	Incident Management Situation Report
IMT	Incident Management Team
INBA	Incident Business Advisor
InFORM	Interagency Fire Occurrence Reporting Modules
IQCS	Incident Qualification Certification System
IQS	Incident Qualification System
IR	Infrared
IRAWS	Incident Remote Automatic Weather Station
IRIN	Infrared Interpreter

IROC	Interagency Resource Ordering Capability
IRWIN	Integrated Reporting of Wildland-Fire Information
ISO	Incident Support Organization
IWFAQRP	Interagency Wildland Fire Air Quality Response Program
JFO	Joint Field Office
MAC	Multi-Agency Coordinating Group
MAFFS	Modular Airborne Firefighting Systems
MAP	Mandatory Availability Period
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NAPM	National Aviation Program Manager
NASF	National Association of State Foresters
NCO	National Contracting Officer
NCR	National Contract Resource
NFES	National Fire Equipment System
NFPET	National Fire Prevention Education Team
NFWC	National Fixed-Wing Coordinator
NFWOC	National Fire Weather Operations Coordinator
NICC	National Interagency Coordination Center
NIFC	National Interagency Fire Center
NIMO	National Incident Management Organization Teams
NIICD	National Interagency Incident Communications Division
NIROPS	National Infrared Operations
NISC	National Interagency Supply Cache
NISRM	National Interagency Standards for Resource Mobilization
NMAC	National Multi-Agency Coordination Group
NOAA	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NPS	National Park Service
NRCC	Northern Rockies Coordination Center
NRCC	National Response Coordination Center

NRF	National Response Framework
NSP	National Surge Package
NWCG	National Wildfire Coordinating Group
NWS	National Weather Service
OAS	Office of Aviation Services
OFDA	Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PAX	Passengers
POE	Point of Entry
POO	Point of Origin
PPE	Personal Protective Equipment
PRAWS	Project Remote Automated Weather Station
RAO	Regional Aviation Officer
RAP	Review, Audit, Process Team
RAWS	Remote Automated Weather Station
RFA	Request for Assistance
RIST	Remote Incident Support Team
ROC	Regional Operations Center
RRCC	Regional Response Coordination Center
RSFWSU	Remote Sensing/Fire Weather Support Unit SA Situational Awareness
SAIT	Serious Accident Investigation Teams
SEAT	Single Engine Airtanker
SOR	System of Record
TFR	Temporary Flight Restriction
THSP	Technical Specialist
UAS	Unmanned Aerial Systems
UHF	Ultra High Frequency
USA	United States of America
USAID	U.S. Agency for International Development

USDA	United States Department of Agriculture
USFA	United States Fire Administration
UTF	Unable to Fill
VHF	Very High Frequency
VOR	VHF Omnidirectional Range
VLAT	Very Large Airtanker
WFDSS	Wildland Fire Decision Support System
WUI	Wildland Urban Interface

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