



# Northern Rockies Coordinating Group

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Emergency Response Management*

Date: June 14, 2024 NRCG Memo# 2024-007  
To: Northern Rockies Interagency Wildland Fire Community  
From: Chair, Northern Rockies Coordinating Group  
Subject: IC Committee Lead for selections of S-420, S-520, and M-580

The Northern Rockies Coordinating Group (NRCG) endorses the NRCG Operations and IC Committee recommendations that the IC Committee take the lead on making selections for S-420, S-520, and M-580, effective immediately. The Board concurs with the rationale that since most candidates come from IMTs, the IC Committee is in the best position to weigh those candidates' merits and understand the impacts to succession planning for the GA.

**Recommendation:** The NRCG Operations Committee recommended that the IC Committee take the lead on making selections for S-420, S-520, and M-580.

- When prioritizing candidates, the IC Committee should include representatives from the Ops Committee and other relevant committees.
- When making selections the IC Committee and additional representatives should acknowledge that not all applicants will be coming from IMTs and should be considered to help meet the applicant's agency goals.

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