



ROCKY MOUNTAIN COORDINATING GROUP

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Recruitment Notice for:

2017 Rocky Mountain Area Incident Management and Buying Teams Team Members and Trainees

Nominations Close: December 2, 2016

Recruitment for Team Members and Trainees for the 2017 Rocky Mountain Geographic Area Type 1 (IMT1) and Type 2 (IMT2) Incident Management Teams, and Geographic Area Buying Teams (BUYT) directions are detailed below.

Background:

The Rocky Mountain Geographic Area (RMA) consists of Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Wyoming. The RMA will host one Type 1 and two Type 2 interagency IMTs, and a Geographic Area BUYT in 2016. Agency Administrators in the RMA continue to support and appreciate staff participation on these teams.

Incident Management and Buying Teams are under the oversight of the Rocky Mountain Coordinating Group (RMCG). IMTs manage high complexity incidents, and usually consist of the most experienced incident management personnel. IMT and BUYT primary response is for wildfires; however the teams may be requested to respond to all-risk incidents such as hurricanes, floods, or other National emergencies.

Type 1 IMTs are available year-round per a national rotation. Type 2 IMTs and BUYTs typically remain available from the spring through fall. Team assignments may be up to 14 days, exclusive of travel, but are often shorter.

Team	Incident Commander	RMA Season
Type 1 IMT	Todd Pechota	Year-round
Type 2 IMT, Blue	Jay Esperance	Year-round
Type 2 IMT, Black	Shane Greer	April 1 – October 31
Geographic Area BUYT	Kim Luft	April 1 – October 15

RMA IMT Configuration:

- 2015 was the start of a new IMT cycle for the RMA, including the selection of Incident Commanders (ICs). The actual number of IMTs staffed and supported by the RMA will depend annually upon the number of qualified personnel available.
- *ALL IMT participants will apply through the web based Incident Command Application System (ICAP); additional information is below.*
- Length of commitment:
 - ICs and Deputy ICs: committed through 2017.
 - Command and General Staff: selected on an annual basis.
 - All other IMT positions including trainees: selected on an annual basis.

RMA IMT & BUYT ICAP Applications:

Application Guidelines:

- Application for specific IMTs:
 - Command and General Staff: can apply to a specific IMT and/or the RMA Applicant Pool.
 - All other IMT and ALL Buying Team positions including trainees: can only apply to the RMA Applicant Pool.
 - If unsure whether to apply for a specific IMT or the RMA Applicant Pool, always apply to the pool.
- Buying Team Leader applicants may be requested to participate in an oral interview.
- Buying Team Leader and Member applicants must submit the [RMA Buying Team Supplemental Questionnaire](#) to the Buying Team Coordinator no later than December 2, 2016.
- IMT and Buying Team Applicants may apply as a job share, where 2 individuals share one position.

Application Process:

- **ALL** team positions (ICs, overhead primary, job share, trainee) will be filled utilizing the national *Incident Command Application System (ICAP)* online nomination system. (The "alternate" option is still in ICAP however it serves the same function as "job share" so the preference is to select "job share".)
- Individuals may apply in ICAP for multiple positions that they are qualified for and willing to serve in, but will only be selected for 1 position on 1 IMT or Buying Team based on RMCG discretion and priorities.
- Instructions for utilizing the ICAP system can be found as a supplement to this document.
- Incomplete applications may be rejected from consideration.

- REMEMBER - ALL POSITIONS must reapply annually (Including ICs) in the ICAP system.

Note: ALL applicants working in the Rocky Mountain Area (RMA) who desire to apply to another geographic area **NEED TO CONTACT THEIR AGENCY'S OPERATIONS COMMITTEE (IMT) OR INCIDENT BUSINESS COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE (BUYT) FOR RMCG APPROVAL PRIOR TO SUBMITTING THAT APPLICATION.**

RMA IMT Selection Process:

- Applicants from outside of the RMA are required to notify their Geographic Area's Coordinating Group and/or Operations Committee (depending on policy) of their interest to participate on RMA IMTs.
- All ICAP applicants will be reviewed by the RMA Operations Committee and RMA IMT ICs. Team member recommendations will be submitted to RMCG.
- Final team member selections will be made by RMCG based on RMA priorities.

Scheduled Event	Date	Participant
Recruitment Bulletin to FMOs, Agency Administrators and potential IMT members	November 2, 2016	RMCG Operations Committee
Nominations Due	December 2, 2016	Applicants
Announcement of RMCG approved IMT Rosters	February 3, 2017	RMCG and RMCG Operations Committee
Annual RMA IMT meeting for all teams	April, 2017 TBD	IMT's, RMCG, etc.

If you have any questions, please contact your agency's Rocky Mountain Area Operations Committee Representative:

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RMA Buying Team Selection Process:

- Applicants from outside of the RMA are required to notify their Geographic Area's Coordinating Group and/or Operations Committee (depending on policy) of their interest to participate on RMA Buying Teams.
- All ICAP applicants will be reviewed by the RMA Incident Business Committee, Buying Team Coordinator, and Operations Committee. Team member recommendations will be submitted to RMCG.
- No applications will be considered without a completed [RMA Buying Team Supplemental Questionnaire](#).
- Final team member selections will be made by RMCG based on RMA priorities.

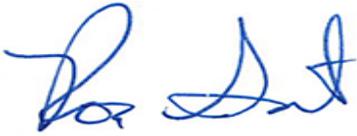
Scheduled Event	Date	Participant
Recruitment Bulletin to FMOs, Agency Administrators and potential BUYT members	November 2, 2016	RMCG Operations Committee
Nominations Due	December 2, 2016	Applicants
Announcement of RMCG approved Buying Team Rosters	February 3, 2017	RMCG and RMCG Incident Business Committee
Annual RMA Buying Team meeting for all members	To be determined	IMTs, RMCG, Buying Teams, etc.

If you have any questions, please contact the Rocky Mountain Area Buying Team Coordinator or your agency's Incident Business Committee representative:

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Thank you for your interest in participating as a member of one of our Rocky Mountain Area teams. We genuinely appreciate the dedication of our team participants.



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