



ROCKY MOUNTAIN COORDINATING GROUP

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Recruitment Notice for: 2024 Rocky Mountain Area Incident Management and Buying Teams Team Members and Trainees Nominations Close January 5th, 2024

Recruitment for Team Members and Trainees for the 2024 Rocky Mountain Geographic Area Complex Incident Management Teams (CIMT) and Buying Teams (BUYT). Directions are detailed below. Incident Commanders and the Command and General Staff for the IMTs were selected in previous solicitations.

Background:

The Rocky Mountain Geographic Area (RMA) consists of Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, and Wyoming. The RMA will host three Complex Incident Management teams, and Geographic Area BUYTs in 2024. 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.

All IMTs are available year-round. Geographic area BUYTs typically remain available from April 1 through October 31. Team assignments may be up to 14 days, exclusive of travel. The RMCG is working to address fatigue management and options to help limit excessive team deployments.

Approved C&G for 2024			
Position	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3
IC	Dan Dallas	Jared Hohn	Bill Waln
LOFR	Randall-Parker, Jewett, Wood, Smith	Utterback	Truslow, Flanary, Zorno, Hurdelbrink
SOFR	Vitwar, Legler	Haslam, Vosburg	Sanders, Robb
PIO	Bowen, Kelly	Lawver, Ciccarella	Hartman, Harms, Cairns, Urban
FSC	Lucas, Tillman	Bruch, Rietz	Blastoch, Davin, Wyatt
LSC	Spencer, Plagemann	Walla, O'Leary, Dierks	Gehring, Spiering, Gadd
PSC	Russell	Stadel, Hird	Snart, Barth
OSC	Lipp, Beacham, Powell, Kennedy	Zoller, Kidd, Steinle, Hohn	Collard, St Martin, Rogge

Approved Deputy/Trainee ICs		
Deputies		Priority Trainees
Bill Hahnenberg	Keith Long	Jay Miller
Casey Cheesbrough	Patrick Pearson	Jay Mickey
Phil Daniels	Paul Duarte	Justin Conrad
Matt Spring		

RMA IMT & BUYT Applications:

- *ALL IMT applicants will apply through the web based application system via this link - [2024 Rocky Mountain Area IMT Application System](#)*
- Length of commitment:
 - ICs committed through 2024.
 - Deputy ICs, Command and General Staff: selected on an annual basis.
 - All other IMT positions including trainees: selected on an annual basis.
 - Buying Teams selected on an annual basis.

Application Guidelines:

- Application for specific IMTs:
 - *All qualified applicants:* can apply to a specific IMT and/or the Rocky Mountain Applicant Pool.
 - *Trainees:* can only apply to the Rocky Mountain Applicant Pool.
 - *ALL Buying Team positions* can apply to the Rocky Mountain Buying Team and must also complete the [Buying Team Supplemental Questionnaire](#).
 - *If unsure whether to apply for a specific IMT or the RMA Applicant Pool, always apply to the pool.*
- IMT Applicants may apply as a job share, where 2 individuals share one position.

Application Process:

- **ALL** team positions will be filled utilizing the *2024 Rocky Mountain Area Incident Management Team/Buying Team Application* online nomination system. (The “alternate” option is still in the application however it serves the same function as “job share” so the preference is to select “job share”.)
- Individuals may apply for multiple positions that they are qualified for and willing to serve but will only be selected for 1 position on 1 IMT or Buying Team based on RMCG discretion and priorities.
- Incomplete applications may be rejected from consideration.
- **Please double check accuracy of supervisor email addresses. Incorrect email addresses will delay supervisor approval.**
- **Note:** ALL applicants working in the Rocky Mountain Area (RMA) who desire to apply to teams in 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 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 16, 2023	RMCG Operations Committee
Applications Due	January 5, 2024	Applicants
Announcement of RMCG approved IMT Rosters	January 31, 2024	RMCG and RMCG Operations Committee
Annual Critical Training for RMA IMTs and BUYTs	TBD – Target date is the week of February 26 th .	IMT’s, BUYT, RMCG, etc.

If you have any questions, please contact your agency's Rocky Mountain Area Operations 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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 Chair, Rocky Mountain Coordinating Group