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Date: February 9, 2022
To: 2022 Rocky Mountain Area Priority Trainees
From: Randy Jacks, Geographic Area Training Representative (GATR)
Subject: Rocky Mountain Area Priority Trainee Program (RMPTP)

The 2022 Rocky Mountain Area Priority Trainee Application Form is now available to trainees located in the Rocky Mountain Area. The RMPTP is an annual application process and will be open **February 9th to April 1st, 2022**, and is located at the following link: [2022 RMA Priority Trainee Application Form](#)

The RMPTP primary mission is to establish a uniform process to identify, promote, mobilize, and assist in the development needs of the interagency workforce within the Rocky Mountain Area. The program has been established to address critical position shortages and support succession planning within the Rocky Mountain Area as well as to assist in building capacity for Incident Management Teams (IMTs), dispatch, and national incident response.

The process in which the trainees will be prioritized will be availability, percentage of position task book completed, and employment status as indicated in the application form.

Application forms must be completed no later than **April 1st, 2022**. *Priority Trainees (PT) accepted into the program will receive an acceptance email (around April 15th) with further guidance and trainee expectations.*

The process to participate in the program is:

- Trainees will ensure supervisor support to participate in the program.
- Trainees will work with local unit training officers to complete their form. Trainees identified and applying for the program should be available for 1 or more assignments throughout the season. Trainees can submit separate application forms for a maximum of **two priority trainee positions**.
- Zone training representatives will ensure supervisor support and maintain a zone PT spreadsheet. (**Zone training representatives can be found by logging into the Wildland Fire Learning Portal, Rocky Mountain Area, Zones tab** (you can choose to log in as a Guest)): [RMA Zone Training Reps](#)
- Trainees will need to maintain their availability status in IROC, as well as with the 2022 Priority Trainee Availability Form, found here: <https://qacc.nifc.gov/rmcc/training.php>



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The positions included in the Rocky Mountain Priority Trainee Program are:

- Incident Commander Type 1-3
- All Command and General Staff (added FSC3, LSC3, and PSC3)
- All Logistics Section Positions
- All Finance Section positions including INBA and Buying Team Members
- All Planning Positions
- Operations Section positions TFLD, HEQB and above.
- Air Operations positions above HMGB, SEMG and above
- Dispatch Positions (CORD, EDSP, EDSD, IADP, ACDP)
- Prevention and Investigation: (INVF)

Please contact your zone training officer if you have any questions.

[RMA Zone Training Reps](#)

Sincerely,

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