

ISSUE PAPER

Prepared for: Rocky Mountain Coordinating Group

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Title: Fire Prevention Education Teams, selection process.

Issue: Lack of an identified process to select FPETs.

Background/Status: FPETs are recognized as national resources but have typically been established at the GAC level. The FPETs can be ordered through normal dispatch channels by any interagency partner. FPETs assist the ordering unit in fire prevention outreach to local communities as delegated by the ordering unit. FPETs may or may not have any direct relationship with ongoing fire suppression activities on the ordering unit. The make-up of FPETs can and has been interagency (federal, state, tribal, and cooperator) within the RMA. RMCG needs a spelled out process that is documented in the RMCG business operations guide for the outreach, selection, and support of RMA FPETs.

Recommendation: RMCG accept a similar selection process for FPETs that has been established for IMTs. Task the RMCG Info/Ed Committee to implement a nomination process; a verification of qualification process; and a selection process to establish FPETs. An element of the process would be that the RMCG Info/Ed Committee would make a recommendation to RMCG to accept FPET roster(s) using the same timeline that the Ops Committee uses for IMT selection. The Info/Ed Committee also be tasked to develop recommendations for RMCG concerning the number of FPETs needed to be supported (sanctioned) by RMCG and also a succession plan for FPETs.

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Explanation: (if needed)

Please make a modification stating that the info/Ed committee will coordinate with the Operations Committee after selecting team members.