



ROCKY MOUNTAIN COORDINATING GROUP

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Date: April 22, 2020
To: 2020 Rocky Mountain Area Priority Trainees
From: Kim Bang, Geographic Area Training Representative (GATR)
Subject: Rocky Mountain Area Priority Trainee Program (RMPTP)

The 2020 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 April 22 – May 15, 2020:

[2020 RM Priority Trainee Program Application](#)

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 **May 15, 2020**. *PT accepted into the program will receive an acceptance email (around May 26) 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. They can complete separate application forms for up to **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)):
<https://wildlandfirelearningportal.net/course/view.php?id=318§ion=8>
- A master PT list is automatically populated from the Zone PT lists and will be posted on the RMCC Webpage.
- Daily availability lists are generated from IROC and used for assignments.



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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 IBA and Buying Team Members
- All Planning Positions
- Operations Section positions Task Force Leader and above and HEQB
- Air Operations position Helicopter Manager and above; Seat Managers
- Dispatch Positions (CORD, EDSP, EDSD, IADP, ACDP)
- Prevention and Investigation: (INVF)

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

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Sincerely,

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