



Southern Area Coordinating Group

Date: September 1, 2017

Memorandum

To: All Interested Applicants

From: Southern Area Coordinating Group

Subject: Southern Area Incident Management Team (SAIMT) Membership/
Apprentice & Trainee Program Announcement

APPLICATION PERIOD: September 1, 2017 through September 30, 2017

REPLY DUE: September 30, 2017

The Southern Area Coordinating Group (SACG) is seeking interested, qualified, and highly motivated applicants from all agencies to fill positions for the Red Type 1, Blue Type 1, and Gold Type 2 Incident Management Teams in the Southern Area. Consideration for positions will depend on the candidate's qualifications and number of applications submitted. **All current team members MUST re-apply via the electronic ICAP system.**

As a member of a SAIMT, team members will find themselves in an environment characterized by complex wildfires and other all-hazard challenges. This provides opportunity and experience in unique team oriented decision making situations, as well as development of personal and professional achievement. Southern Area team members are expected to demonstrate the highest level of performance in their positions as well as personality traits. The achievement of duty, respect, and integrity are benchmarks expected of all team members.

SAIMT team members will be selected by the incident commanders and announced by the Southern Area Coordinating Group. The incident commanders may elect to place additional candidates in alternate slots if they are not selected for the primary position for which they applied. **It is expected that team members be available for their scheduled team rotations unless prior agreements are made to cover the position.**

The SAIMT's currently have areas of critical shortages. The SACG and the IC's strongly encourage interested individuals to apply for one of the shortage positions as either qualified or trainee. The shortage positions include: Incident Commander, Air Operations Branch Director, Air Tactical Group Supervisor, Air Support Group Supervisor, Helibase Manager, Logistics Section Chief, Supply Unit Leader, Facilities Unit Leader, Ground Support Unit Leader, Finance Section Chief, Compensation/Claims Unit Leader, Time Unit Leader, Cost Unit Leader, Procurement Unit Leader, Planning Section Chief, Resource Unit Leader, Fire Behavior Analyst, and Demobilization Unit Leader.

Trainees are normally selected in all positions to help in the development of skills and to address the successional staffing requirements for the future. Although there is a continual need to increase capacity there is also a saturation point at which it is not feasible to carry more depth in some positions. With that in mind, all who apply may not be selected. Determination of which positions will be filled will not be known until the qualified candidates are selected. Trainee applicants will also be on the Southern Area Priority Trainee List and therefore must submit a Southern Area Interagency Priority Trainee Nomination Form.

If you have questions, please direct them to Tracy Robinson, Southern Area Coordination Center, tdrobinson@fs.fed.us or 678-320-3002.

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Enclosures (3)
2018 Southern Area Incident Management Team Application Instructions
2018 Southern Area Priority Trainee List SOP
2018 Southern Area Priority Trainee List Nomination Form