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Date: September 26, 2008
To: Fire Management Officer, Arizona State Forestry Division
From: Chair, Southwest Coordinating Group (SWCG)
Topic/Issue: Certification of Granite Mountain Interagency Hotshot Crew (IHC)

I am pleased to report that the SWCG has approved the recommendation for the Granite Mountain IHC to be the newest IHC in the Southwest wildland fire community. It appears that a lot of work has gone into getting them to their current level of performance. We want to convey our thanks to the crew and their agency, to the SW Type 1 Crew Subcommittee, and to the various agency individuals who have worked to make this happen. This letter serves as approval for the various levels in the dispatch and coordination system to update the crew's status. We wish the crew many safe assignments in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

Bob Lineback

Chair, Southwest Coordinating Group