

NEVADA INTERAGENCY FIRE OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

CHARTER

Mission Statement:

The Nevada Interagency Fire Operations Committee was established to provide an interagency approach to all aspects of wildland fire activities in the Western Great Basin and to meet the objectives of the Nevada Fire Board of Directors (NFBOD). This committee also provides staff assistance to the Great Basin Operations Committee, as authorized by the Nevada Fire Board of Directors (NFBOD).

Membership:

The Committee will consist of the following or their delegate(s):

Voting Members

1. Fire Management Officer, Western Region, Nevada Division of Forestry. This position will represent the State and Local Fire Agencies where appropriate.
2. Deputy State Fire Management Officer (Operations), Bureau of Land Management, Nevada State Office. This position will represent the BLM in Nevada.
3. Deputy Fire Staff Officer, Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest. This position will represent the Forest Service in Nevada.
4. Fire Management Officer, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Western Nevada Agency. This position will represent the BIA in Nevada.
5. Zone Fire Management Officer, Fish and Wildlife Service. This position will represent the FWS in Nevada.
6. Fire Management Officer, Lake Mead National Recreation Area. This position will represent the NPS in Nevada.
7. Assistant Center Manager, Western Great Basin Coordination Center
8. Elko Zone Representative
9. Central Nevada Zone Representative
10. Sierra Front Zone Representative
11. Ely Zone Representative
12. Las Vegas Zone Representative

Ad Hoc Non-Voting Members

1. Nevada Interagency State Aviation Group
2. Nevada Interagency Fuels and Mitigation Committee Chair
3. Nevada Interagency Training Committee Chair
4. Nevada Fire Business Management Working Group
5. Interagency Fire Prevention Group
6. National Weather Service Representative
7. Western Great Basin Predictive Services
8. Great Basin Smokejumpers
9. Type 3 Nevada Incident Commanders and Type 1 and 2 Incident Commanders for the Great Basin

Purpose:

1. Provide advice, counsel, and make recommendations for a coordinated direction of fire management and operational issues in Nevada.
2. Develop interagency guidelines/procedures for use throughout Nevada.
3. Assist the Great Basin Operations Committee in meeting the objectives of the Great Basin Coordinating Group.
4. Provide leadership and direction to the Nevada Interagency Type 3 teams. Select Incident Commanders, and assist Incident Commanders in recruiting and selecting team members, ensure interagency team makeup, develop trainees for targeted team positions, and engage in strategic planning for team viability.
5. Identify fire operations issues, establish priorities, develop alternatives, and recommend a unified course of action to the Nevada Fire Board of Directors, including such things as interagency preparedness reviews, interagency preparedness plans, statewide severity needs and resources, fire and aviation safety reviews, fire business issues

and initiatives, etc.

6. Provide a forum for the exchange of ideas and the development of consistent practices.
7. Coordinate with the Nevada Zone Training Committee and with other zone committees and working groups as needed.
8. Draft the statewide annual operating plan, statewide fire restriction plan, and any other plans as requested by the Nevada Fire Board of Directors.
9. Coordinate with the Nevada Interagency Fuels and Mitigation Committee and with other zone committees and working groups as needed.
10. Coordinate with the Nevada Fire Program Analysis Committee and with other zone committees and working groups as needed.
11. Provide oversight and endorsement of Nevada nominations for Great Basin Type 1 and 2 Incident Management Team members, and review qualifications and certification of Nevada personnel serving in Command and General Staff positions one week prior to the Great Basin Team Selection meeting.
12. The State Aviation Group will maintain an ad hoc group that will work under the direction of the Nevada Fire Aviation and Operations Committee. (Page 14 of 34 in the Statewide agreement)

Officers:

The Nevada Interagency Fire Operations Committee shall select a Chair and a Co-Chair to serve for a period of two calendar years each. If the elected Chair is unable to fulfill their commitment, the Co-Chair will assume their term as the new Chair at which time their two year term as Chair will commence. A Co-Chair will be elected by the voting members of the committee. At the end of the Chair's 2 year term, the Co-Chair will assume the position of Chair and a new Co-Chair will be elected.

The Chair is responsible for setting up meetings including selecting the time and place, arranging facilities, and defining the agenda. The Co-Chair assists the Chair as needed and acts in place of the Chair when the Chair is unavailable. The Chair serves as a point of contact for Nevada Interagency Type 3 Incident Commanders and the Western Great Basin Coordination Center to discuss and resolve team and mobilization issues affecting the zone.

The Nevada Interagency Fire Operations Committee Chair will attend the Great Basin team selection meeting and the Great Basin team meeting. The Operations Committee chair will have a representation at NFBOD meetings.

Meetings:

The Committee will meet as often as deemed necessary to accomplish assigned tasks. The Chair will ensure notes are kept and distributed to the Nevada Fire Board of Directors, voting and non-voting members of the committee and made available through posting on the Western Great Basin Coordination Center's website. The committee will normally meet in the spring, fall, and one month before the selection of the Type 2 Incident Management Team members. Voting recommendations will be by a simple majority of the voting members.

Adoption of Policy:

It is imperative that recommendations be made to the Nevada Fire Board of Directors for formal agency review, acceptance and distribution for implementation. Operational changes which do not include policy changes or costs may be implemented directly through their appropriate agency channels.

Each agency representative will be responsible for their agencies review of new guidance and /or procedures. Final reports will be presented to the Great Basin Fire Operations Committee or the Nevada Fire Board of Directors for interagency adoption and distribution based on group consensus.

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Las Vegas Interagency Communication Center

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