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The BLM California Post-Season Fire Meeting is scheduled for November 13 - 15, 2000, in Sacramento, California. The meeting will begin at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, November the 13th, and end at 12:00 noon on Thursday, November 15th. The meeting will be held at the Red Lion Hotel, Sacramento, on Arden Way, next to the Arden Fair Mall. A block of rooms has been reserved under the "Bureau of Land Management". Call 916-922-8041 for reservations. The cut-off date to make room reservations is **October 30, 2001**. I must provide a room listing to the hotel by that date in order to guarantee the \$79.00 room rate. Please be sure to make your reservations by that date. All those attending the Post Season Meeting need to stay at the Red Lion Hotel as our conference room rate is based on filling the block of sleeping rooms reserved.

All Line Managers are encouraged to attend. The first days agenda topics are geared toward issues that may be of most interest to the Line Managers. A proposed agenda is attached. Please review the agenda and send in or E-mail any additional topics you would like added to the agenda by **October 26, 2001**. This will give us time to adjust the agenda and send out a final version.

If you have any questions, please contact Doug Waggoner of the State Office Fire Staff, at (916) 978-4437.

1 Attachment

1 - Post Season Fire Meeting Agenda (3 pg.)

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California Post Season Fire Meeting

November 13 - 15, 2001

Sacramento, California

AGENDA

Tuesday - November 13, 2001:

1300 - Introductions: Ed Wehking - SFMO (Introduce New Staff)
Karen Barnette - DSD, Support Services

1310 - Logistics (Doug)

1320 - Associate State Director - Jim Abbott

1350 - National Fire Plan Implementation-Update (Ed)

1420 - *Break*

1430 - FY-2002 Budget, MEL related to Presidents Plan (Ed, Rob Nauert)

1450 - Personnel and Staffing Issues Related to Presidents Plan (Doug)
- Standard Fire Module Organization: Engines, Helitack, Hotshot Crews, & Fuels Crews
- Classification and announcement update, Seasonal Hiring Issues
- Vacant position updates by S.O. and District/Regions
- Potential new fire, MLR and support positions

1510 - *Break*

1520 - 2823 Hazard Reduction Funding - Fuels Projects: New Policies - Direction (Jim, Ed)
- 2824 Wildland Urban Interface, 2825 Rural Fire Assistance, and Fire Alliance

1600 - *Break*

1610 - 2823 Hazard Reduction Funding - Fuels Projects: New Policies - Direction (Jim, Ed)
- 2824 Wildland Urban Interface, 2825 Rural Fire Assistance, and Fire Alliance
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1645 - Adjourn _____

Wednesday - November 14, 2001:

0800 - FMP Amendments (Ed and Art)
- Increasing allocated resources

0830 - Self Contained Breathing Apparatus - Policy and Operations Guide (Doug)
- Update Completed - Task Group Report (Pat Stone-Lead)
- New SCBA's purchased
- Disposal of Old MSA SCBAs

Wednesday - November 14, 2001: Continued

0845 - Equipment Update - Engine Retrofit - Issues? (Gary)

- Replacements of Type 4's and Model 5's; New Fuels Vehicles
- Code 3 Driving - Task Group Report - Captain's Committee/Group
- BLM Engine Academy - 2002
- Safety Issues - Transportation of Fuel
- Quick Connect Update
- Radios - Digital/Narrow Banding Update (Don Black)

0900 - *Break*

0910 - Readiness Review 2002: (Doug)

- Process, Solicit Participation (Review Deficiencies)
- Schedule and Teams: Target Dates 6/1 - 6/28
- Review Status of 2001 Readiness Review Action Items

0930 - Fire Reporting (DI-1202s): Reissuing of Supplemental Policy (Doug)

- Reimbursable and Trespass Fires, monthly reporting time frame
- Agency Reps report acres to dispatch centers

0945 - Fire Billings - Reimbursable and Trespass fires, time frames (Doug, Ann Marie)

- 9238-1 Fire Trespass Handbook
- Computer/Electronic Format - Update on Training

1000 - *Break*

1010 - RAWs and Micro RAWs - Use, maintenance, frequency coordination, licensing (Doug)

- Issues or Problems, Additional needs

1025 - Prevention, Public Education (Art, Jim)

- State Fair Participation
- RAMS

1040 - Engine Captain Committee Report (Jerry Wheeler-Alturas F.O./West Valley F.S.)

1100 - *Break*

1110 - GACC Updates - Fire Weather, Zone Cache, Training Issues (Kevin and Les)

- North OPS Web Page, Fire Weather Forecasters

1200 - 1300 Lunch Break

1300 - Presentation: Rapid Response Fire Research Team - Matt Brooks, USGS Las Vegas, NV.

1400 - *Break*

1410 - California and National Prescribed Fire Policy and Handbook (Jim)

- Burn Plan review and approval process
- Burn complexity rating - address low complexity burns
- CDF requirements for BLM acres included in CDF burn

Wednesday - November 14, 2001: Continued

- 1440 - Wildland and Prescribed Fire Qualifications - Update and Issuing of Red Cards. (Doug)
- Status for 2001 - Process, implementation - Any problems.
- Type I and II personnel - Maintain duplicate fire qualifications, experience and training folders in State Office - Completed, folders in place.

1500 - *Break*

- 1510 - Fire Training and Qualifications Committee - Issues, Set meeting date. (Doug , Gary)
- California Training Standards and Qualifications - Memo effective through 9-30-02
- Crew Boss Module Leader Training Update - Identify instructors to assist NPS, potential logistics assistance.
- Fire Leadership Training

- 1525 - Supervisory Training (Advanced - 2nd 40) - Needs assessment (Doug)
- Will be contracted

- 1540 - Cooperative Agreements - Operating Plans (Doug)
- Four and Five Party Agreements - Review and Update for 2001 in progress
- Send copy of Annual Operating Plans to S.O.

1600 - Open Session - District/Regional Issues or Concerns

1645 - Adjourn _____

Thursday - November 15, 2001:

- 0800 - Severity Requests for 2001 - Format (Doug)
-2001 Success

- 0815 - Aviation - New Contracts - issues or concerns (Chris Parkan)
- Aerial Supervision Module (ASM) Presentation

0830 - Construction/Facilities update (Gary)

0900 - *Break*

0910 - Hiring: Diversity and Recruiting (Lois)

- 0920 - Ethics and Conduct Training - Reemphasize importance (Lois)
- Revising this year, request assistance

0935 - Apprenticeship Program - 2001 Accomplishments, Looking at 2002 (Lois)

- 1000 - 14 Day Assignments and R & R (Rest and Recuperation) Policy (Ed, Doug)
- Issues and Concerns for 2001 - National Office Memo (Not out yet -Some Changes)

1015 - Schedule 2002 Pre-Season Fire Meeting (Doug)

1030 - *Adjourn*