

**United States
Department of
Agriculture**

**Forest
Service**

OR/WA

**Bureau of Land
Management**

**United States
Department of the
Interior**

Reply Refer To:

5100(FS)/ 9210(BLM) (OR-934) P

Date: October 14, 2005

EMS TRANSMISSION 10/18/2005

FS-Memorandum

BLM-Information Bulletin No. OR-2006-004

To: Bureau of Land Management District Managers, Forest Service Forest Supervisors, Station Directors, and Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Manager

Subject: 2005 National Fire Plan Awards - Call for Nominations

REPLY DUE OCTOBER 28, 2005

Once again it is time to recognize key individuals who have worked hard to implement the National Fire Plan (NFP) in the Pacific Northwest. For the past three years, the Northwest has been honored to receive NFP awards. We believe we have the capability to do the same this year. The dedication and commitment of our personnel and community members have resulted in a productive year, and now is the time to highlight our successes.

Over the years, we continue to develop strong partnerships and work collaboratively to accomplish NFP goals. Without the expertise and creativity of agency employees and community members, our projects would never be fully realized. We are all proud of our accomplishments. Please take this opportunity to recognize the excellent work being done by our employees and local citizens.

We want to encourage you to look beyond your internal organization and to also recognize your key community partners. "It is those select few who have exceeded expectations that deserve special recognition for their commitment and hard work."

Attached to this letter is the call for nominations for the National Fire Plan Awards. There are seven categories of recognition; however, applicable projects may be nominated for more than one category. The attached format must be used in all nominations. We strongly encourage you to work with your Public Affairs staff in writing your nominations.

Because these nominations are so important, please include your (Line Officer) approval with each submission to the State Office/Regional Office (SORO). The State Office/Regional Office will review the regional nominations and forward the top selections to the Washington Office. Individuals selected will be recognized at the annual NFP Conference Awards Ceremony on March 7, 2006, in Phoenix, Arizona.

We will hold a Regional NFP Award Ceremony locally at the spring Fire & Aviation Leadership Team meeting.

Please submit your electronic nominations to the State Office/Regional Office no later than COB October 28, 2005. All nominations should be sent to the attention of Lori Hammer, SORO. You will be notified by November 4, 2004, if your nomination was selected. If you have questions, please contact Lori at 503-808-6473 or lori_hammer@or.blm.gov .

/s/ J. A. Kendall Snell (for)
LEO SIDEBOTHAM
Branch Chief, Fire & Aviation Management
Bureau of Land Management
Oregon/Washington

/s/ Jon M. Rollens (for)
KARYN WOOD
Director, Fire & Aviation Management
Forest Service
Region 6

1 Attachment(s)

1 - [National Fire Plan Award Nomination Packet](#) (9 pp)

BLM Distribution:
WO (FA-100)
OR-912 (Chris Strebig)
OR-930 (Mike Mottice)

cc:
WO, F&AM
Bonnie Wood
Thomas Quigly