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From: Acting Assistant Director (NIFC), Fire and Aviation

Subject: Nominations for the Prescribed Fire On-the-Job Training Program

The Prescribed Fire On-the-Job Training Program (RX-OJT) helps place Bureau of Land Management (BLM) employees on prescribed fire assignments so that they may gain experience and complete position task books. The BLM Fire Training Unit establishes a candidate roster and coordinates with BLM and interagency partners to find assignments for RX-OJT candidates.

National funding assistance is no longer available for these assignments. All interested candidates are still encouraged to submit nominations, but priority will be given to candidates who have secured funding from their unit or state office. This funding must cover travel, per diem, overtime, and base eight costs. The estimated cost for a two-week RX-OJT training assignment, not including base eight hours, is \$3,500.

Candidates who have completed the required position training and have an initiated position task book should submit RX-OJT nominations through established command channels to their state fire management officer. State offices should prioritize the nominations, indicate which have secured funding, and forward them to Al Olson, BLM Fire Training. For nomination forms and program information, see the BLM Fire Training website at http://www.blm.gov/nifc/st/en/prog/fire/training/fire_training/training_programs/rxojt.html.

If you have questions about the program, please visit the BLM Fire Training website or contact Al Olson, Fire Management Training Specialist, 208-387-5308, or via e-mail, al_olson@nifc.blm.gov.

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