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**To:** USDA Forest Service Forest Supervisors and  
USDI Bureau of Land Management District Managers

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Fire use is a critical part of our agencies' missions in implementing the National Fire Plan. We are pleased to announce nominations for two awards recognizing outstanding achievement in prescribed fire and wildland fire use.

Please find the attached WO Forest Service nomination process letter and forms. We ask BLM and Forest Service units use these forms to nominate candidates that have shown outstanding leadership in advancing fire use in the Pacific Northwest. We will announce selection for the Oregon State BLM and Region 6 combined awards at the Prescribed Fire Training session in March in Redmond, Oregon.

The steering committee for this session will act as the selection committee for these awards. There will not be a limit on the number of awards granted in each category, however, the selection committee will select two Forest Service recipients to represent Region 6 in the National competition. We are particularly interested in honoring individuals who have shown leadership and innovation in implementing prescribed fire or wildland fire use, however, we encourage applications in all aspects of fire use as described in the attached WO letter.

Please submit nominations to Tim Rich at [trich@fs.fed.us](mailto:trich@fs.fed.us), x 503-808-2934 or Steve Harbert at [steveharbert@blm.gov](mailto:steveharbert@blm.gov), or reach him at x503-808-6592 by February 23, 2007.

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1 Attachment  
1 - [WO Forest Service letter](#) (7 pp)

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