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To: State and Center Directors
From: Assistant Director, Fire and Aviation
Subject: Standards for Large Fire Cost Reviews

Program Area: Fire and Aviation Management

Purpose: This Instruction Memorandum (IM) modifies the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) standards for the *Large Fire Cost Review (LFCR) Process*.

Policy/Action: The Assistant Director of Fire and Aviation (AD) will serve as the Bureau's focal point for the LFCR process. The AD will initiate, facilitate, and provide oversight for the LFCR process. Upon determination of the need for a LFCR, the AD will coordinate with the appropriate state director and assemble a LFCR team, provide a delegation of authority, and initiate the LFCR using the *Interagency Large Fire Cost Review Guide, July 2008*, and appropriate supplemental direction. The AD will provide briefings to the Bureau Director, as appropriate.

The *Interagency Large Fire Cost Review Guide, July 2008* is available at:
<http://www.nwccg.gov/pms/pubs/lfcrguide.pdf>.

Timeframe: Effective immediately.

Budget Impact: None.

Background: In 2008, the *Interagency Large Fire Cost Review Guide, July 2008* was developed to provide and outline the LFCR process from an interagency perspective. This process suggested that the Bureau Directors would be the focal point for the review process. For program consistency, and to ensure close coordination between the national program leaders and the affected state, the Bureau will use the AD, instead of the Bureau Director, as the focal point for this review process. This is consistent with program management responsibilities for the AD in the BLM 1203 Manual, 9210 chapter-related responsibilities.

Manual/Handbook Sections Affected: *Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations, Chapter 11.*

Coordination: This IM has been coordinated with the BLM Fire and Aviation Division Chiefs, the BLM Fire Leadership Team, and the Acting Director.

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