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TO: Geographic Area Incident Business Committees
    Geographic Area Coordination Center Managers

FROM: Dave Burley, Chairperson, NWCG Interagency Incident Business Committee

SUBJECT: NATIONAL EMERGENCY RENTAL VEHICLE (NERV) PROGRAM UPDATE

The NERV program is a Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) that provides emergency rental vehicle capacity for interagency incident response. This program is intended for:

- Incident responders who require 4x4, off-road vehicles with heavy-duty tires to meet the needs of the assignment.
- Incident responders who are not self-sufficient with an agency-provided travel card, such as AD employees.
- Incident pool vehicles that will be managed by a mobilization center, dispatch center, ground support unit, etc. for active or imminent incidents. This BPA is not to be used for long-term (over 120 days) field-unit needs.

Use of the NERV program in 2020 far exceeded the intended purpose identified above. The IBC has finalized recommendations on a National Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) document to ensure proper authorization and accountability for use of the NERV program. Attached you will find this SOP, as well as an updated Traveler Rental Vehicle Checklist and Payment Package Cover Sheet. The attachments and memo can be found by following the links at https://www.nwcg.gov/committees/incident-business-committee/correspondence.

Please share this updated information with dispatchers, incident business personnel, and other agency contacts and field units.

/s/ Dave Burley
Dave Burley, Chair IBC
Date: June 1, 2021

Attachments:
National NERV SOP
Traveler Rental Vehicle Checklist
NERV Payment Coversheet