Date: 12 February 2023

To: Justin Jager, Chair, Interagency Fire Unmanned Aircraft Systems Subcommittee

From: Marlene Eno-Hendren, Chair, Incident and Position Standards Committee

Subject: Approval of Incident and Position Standards Committee Request for Change 2022-11, Unmanned Aircraft System Pilot (UASP) Qualification Requirement Change

Purpose: This memorandum approves the content of Incident and Position Standards Committee Request for Change 2022-11 received from the Interagency Fire Unmanned Aircraft Systems Subcommittee.

Action: Effective February 2023, the S-373, Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Incident Operations course and A-450, Small Unmanned Aircraft System (sUAS) Basic Remote Pilot Course, must be completed BEFORE initiating a UASP position task book (PTB). Additionally, the verbiage “(or equivalent)” will be removed under required training for A-450 as the United States Forest Service and Department of Interior do not accept an equivalent to the A-450 training course.

Current UASP trainees that have completed S-373 and A-450 training courses:
Current UASP trainee responders with an active UASP PTB that have successfully completed S-373 and A-450 meet required training and can continue to have an active UASP PTB and be a UASP trainee in IQCS/IQS.

Current UASP trainees that have not completed S-373 and A-450 training courses:
Current responders with an active UASP PTB that have not completed S-373 and A-450 will have their UASP PTB voided, and their trainee status deactivated in IQCS/IQS.

Background and Coordination: Questions may be directed to Justin Jager, jjager@nps.gov, Chair, Interagency Fire Unmanned Aircraft Systems Subcommittee.

Attachment:
UASP Position Qualification Standard (1p)
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