Describe the Proposed Change:

Remove A-107 Aviation Policy I Interagency Aviation Training course as a requirement for the following positions:

**IAT**: Aviation Dispatcher, Aviation Manager, Flight Follower, Helicopter Manager-Resource, Project Aviation Manager

**NWCG 310-1** (2020) and **FSFAQG** (2019): Aircraft Timekeeper (ATIM) and Ramp Manager (RAMP)

**FWFQS** (2021): Aerial Observer (AOBS) per NPS and USFS Only

**DOI OEM-IPQG** (2021): All-Hazards Helicopter Manager (HEAM)

Note: The above Policy training documents are fully spelled out below and in the “Systems Affected by Change”.

Description of the Issue/Reason for Change:

A-107 Objectives are duplicated in current A-100 Basic Aviation Safety (Revised 2020) and A-307 Aviation Policy and Regulations II course content. The only IAT position which requires both A-100 and A-107, but not A-307 is Flight Follower (See IAT Position Matrix below) or the following link: https://www.iat.gov/docs/IAT_Requirements_Matrix.pdf

The 2020 A-100 revision incorporated “Understanding Aviation Policy” into its Unit 1 objectives. This addition – not previously part of the former class eliminates the need for A-107 Aviation Policy. (See Course Objectives Matrix below). The A-107 revision working group reviewed the current A-100 (Revised 2020) and it was determined that A-100 adequately covers aviation policy for the Flight Follower position and more in-depth content is provided to the remaining positions via A-307.

The ATIM and RAMP positions listed in the **NWCG Standards for Wildland Fire Position Qualifications, PMS 310-1 and FSFAQG** Chp. 2 Part 1 include A-107 as required training. The RAMP position already includes the training requirement of A-100, however the ATIM position does NOT include A-100.

Note: A-100 may be included as required training for ATIM position. This recommendation increases ATIM training requirements by six hours.

This RFC does NOT address FOREST SERVICE OTHER TRAINING WHICH SUPPORTS DEVELOPMENT OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS in the **FSFAQG**.

The **Federal Wildland Fire Qualifications Supplement (FWFQS)** requirement of A-107 is Agency-Specific for NPS and USFS employees for Aerial Observer. This position already requires A-100, which satisfies the learning requirement of this position.

**DOI OEM-IPQG** (2021): All-Hazards Helicopter Manager (HEAM) required training A-107; A-100 (Triennial)
### Applicable Course Objectives Matrix

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- **Identify the requirements for Pre-mission planning**
  - A basic overview of agency aviation policy and standards and where to find them.
  - Covers agency and interagency manuals, handbooks and guides as well as a brief summary of the Federal Aviation Regulations (FARs).

- **Identify the approved methods of aircraft procurement**
  - Identify the aviation user’s responsibility for obtaining and understanding information regarding aviation policy and procedures.

- **Identify the four principles of risk management**
  - Understand the basic structure of the aviation policies of the Department of the Interior and USDA - Forest Service.

- **Identify the 3 broad chapters of the Forest Service Manual 5700**
  - Identify the specific parts of Departmental Manual 350-354.

- **Identify the specific Federal Aviation Regulations that affect aviation operations within the Department of the Interior and Forest Service.**
  - Locate Aviation Policy for your Bureau or Agency.

**Systems Affected by Change:**

- DOI-OPM-04 Aviation User Training program
- Interagency Aviation Training (IAT) Guide; IAT Website
- Aircraft Timekeeper (ATIM), Ramp Manager (RAMP)
- Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Incident Positions Qualifications Guide March 2021 (IPQG) [https://www.doi.gov/emergency/plans-and-policies](https://www.doi.gov/emergency/plans-and-policies);

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