BACKGROUND:

The approved curriculum identifies a Helispot Manager Job Aid (J-272) as suggested training to support the position of helicopter crewmember. The Interagency Helicopter Training Guide S-217 is required training for this same position.

CURRENT STATUS:

A joint development workshop is currently planned for March 27 - 31 to begin development of all of the air courses. During analysis of development requirements for these courses and job aids, the development project leaders for the air courses have determined that J-272 is not necessary. All training necessary for the helicopter crewmember, including the management of helispots, is included in S-217. There are also job aids, in the form of checklists, in the NWCG Fireline Handbook and in the Interagency Helicopter Operations Guide (IHOG).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Recommend that the Helispot Manager Job Aid J-272 not be developed. Approval of the Training Working Team is needed by March 1 so that development efforts and resources can be reallocated.

ACTION REQUIRED:

1. Upon approval of this recommendation, the NIFC Division of Training will terminate development of J-272. SMEs and funding assigned to J-272 will be reallocated to other development projects for which they are qualified or notified that they will not be needed.

2. The Training Working Team will need to coordinate this action with the ICSWT so that it will be reflected in the scheduled update of 310-1.

APPROVED:

[Signature]
Chairman, Training Working Team

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Date