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MEMORANDUM

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To: NWCG Executive Board and GACG Chairs

From: NWCG Chair *Brian McManis*

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Subject: Field Level Offices to Support the Statusing of AD Resources for Interagency National Response.

The national wildland fire situation has continued to get more difficult and complex over the past decade. Each year the wildland fire agencies are challenged to mobilize sufficient firefighting resources to meet national response needs. The National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) and National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group (NMAC) encourage field offices of all agencies to support statusing of qualified local Administratively Determined (AD) and supplemental resources to support the national wildland fire response effort.

Both NWCG and NMAC understand that the effort to status AD and supplemental resources is a burden on dispatch centers and local fire personnel. Some field offices only status sufficient resources to meet the anticipated local need as a result of this workload. However, it is extremely important that local units support the national need by finding qualified resources and helping to status them in ROSS for national mobilization. It is equally important for dispatch centers to support the mobilization of local resources by arranging travel for personnel and transportation of equipment as necessary.

Wildfire suppression and mobilization is an interagency effort, and we all depend on each other to meet our mission. Having sufficient available resources to meet the local and national response is vital to our success. Your efforts to support national requirements by finding qualified resources and ensuring they are statused for national mobilization is greatly appreciated and critical for meeting the increasing interagency challenges of wildland fire management.