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TO: NWCG Executive Board Members  
FROM: Aitor Bidaburu, Acting Chair, NWCG Executive Board  
SUBJECT: Use of Draft Next Generation CRWB and RXB2 Position Task Books  

This memorandum provides direction on the implementation of the draft Crew Boss (CRWB) and Prescribed Fire Burn Boss 2 (RXB2) Next Generation position task books (PTBs) during the upcoming fire year.

Please distribute this information through your agency channels.

Draft Next Generation PTBs have been developed for CRWB and RXB2 and are being field tested in 2023 with a select group of individuals. Evaluators, training specialists, certifying officials, and qualification review committees may encounter trainees with these Next Generation PTBs. The Next Generation PTBs are valid and should be given the same level of consideration as the current PTBs available at www.nwcg.gov.

As a component of the Incident Performance and Training Modernization (IPTM) effort, NWCG will be revising both the format and content of all PTBs. Next Generation PTBs will be made available as positions are evaluated under IPTM and the associated incident position standards and essential training components are updated.

When the CRWB and RXB2 PTBs are finalized, they will be announced and posted online, at which time they will be available to the entire wildland fire community.

For additional information please contact your agency Incident Position and Standards Committee member, available at https://www.nwcg.gov/committees/incident-and-position-standards-committee/roster.

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