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From: State Director

Subject: BLM Alaska Wildland Fire Structure Protection Policy

Attached is the BLM Alaska Wildland Fire Structure Protection Policy. This Alaska policy operates in conjunction with Resource Management Plans, Land Management Plans, and the Alaska Interagency Wildland Fire Management Plan to provide guidance for determining structure protection levels during wildland fire events. This policy was developed by the Field and District Offices with assistance from the Alaska Fire Service.

The policy is meant to serve as guidance to the Alaska Fire Service and its cooperators in meeting their delegated fire suppression responsibilities concerning cabin/structure protection priorities in relation to wildland fire activities on lands managed by the Bureau of Land Management in Alaska. This policy reaffirms that the highest priority for the BLM is the protection of human life. Personal property located on BLM managed lands will only be protected in accordance with this policy. This policy recognizes that availability of resource may preclude protection of some sites indicated for protection during portions of the fire season. This policy supersedes all previous direction and guidance regarding wildland fire structure protection on BLM managed land.

Signed by:
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Attachment

[BLM Alaska Wildland Fire Structure Protection Policy \(3 pp\)](#)