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To: All Interested Alaska Incident Management Team Applicants

From: AWFCG Operations Committee

Subject: 2023 Alaska Incident Management Team (IMT) Application Announcement

The application process for the 2023 Alaska Incident Management Teams (IMT) begins July 1, 2022. We are looking for applicants to staff two standing Type 2 IMTs with the option to flex into one Type 1 IMT for the 2023 fire season.

The Alaska IMT will accept 2023 applications through the Alaska IMT Application System at <https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/019b9622eede4652ba47dbff595f6ab8>. The Alaska IMT Application System was developed in response to ICAP system outages and lack of user support during the application period for the 2019 season and has been in use since. **ICAP will not be used for the 2023 Alaska IMT Applications.**

The application period for the Incident Commander, Deputy Incident Commander, and Incident Commander trainee applicants opens July 1, 2022 and closes October 10, 2022. In addition, all Incident Commander applicants must submit a letter of intent to their respective agency AWFCG Operations Committee member by October 7, 2022.

The application period for Command and General Staff (C&G) applicants open July 1, 2022 and closes November 4, 2022.

The application period for all other positions opens July 1, 2022 and closes January 13, 2023.

Your participation as a primary, job share, alternate, or trainee team member is important on a statewide and national level. We are highly encouraging primary and job share positions amongst C&G positions to foster continual growth and customer services of the Alaska IMT. We hope to see increased participation and individual advancement as Alaska's IMT program continues to grow.

Team applications must be received prior to these deadlines to be considered in the 2023 Alaska IMT primary selection and trainee prioritization process. Applications for all positions will continue to be accepted after these deadlines but may not be considered in the selection and prioritization process. Late applications will be placed in Alternate Pools, unless required to fill vacant C&G positions.

ICs and Trainees will be selected by AWFCG during their October meeting. In November 2022, Incident Commanders and the AWFCG Operations Committee will select primary C&G for Type 1 and Type 2 IMTs from the applicant pool. C&G will select remaining IMT members and prioritize trainee applications by February 17, 2023.

All primary selections will be made annually for a one-year term; however, consideration will be given to maintaining continuity within C&G positions for three years. Applicants may apply as a primary team member for multiple teams but may only be selected as a primary for a single IMT.

All applicants must apply through the Alaska IMT Application System (See attached instructions). Especially take note of sections labeled **NEW:** and **NOTE:**.

Applicants will be notified of their status by March 1st. Alaska Incident Management Training will be held in the spring of 2023 (tentatively week of March 20th). The training serves as an annual refresher on mobilization and operating procedures. It will include section breakouts and provide an opportunity to meet fellow team members and prepare for the fire season. At this time, we remain hopeful the 2023 Alaska IMT workshop can safely be held in-person.

Thank you for your interest and we look forward to working with you. Sincerely,

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Chair, AWFCG Operations Committee

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