



Alaska Wildland Fire Coordinating Group

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Anchorage Fire Department

To: All Interested Applicants

From: AWFCG Operations Committee

Subject: 2019 Incident Management Team (IMT) Application Announcement

The application process for the 2019 Alaska Incident Management Teams (IMT) begins July 1, 2018 through the online ICAP system at <https://fireportal.usda.gov>.

The application period for the IC, Deputy IC and Trainee IC applicants opens July 1, 2018 and closes October 9, 2018.

The application period for all other positions opens July 1, 2018 and closes January 11, 2019

Team applications must be received prior to these deadlines in order to be considered in the 2019 Alaska IMT primary selection and trainee prioritization process. Applications for all positions will continue to be accepted after 1/4/19, but may not be considered in this 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 January 2019, Incident Commanders and the Operations Committee will select primary C&G for one Type 1 IMT and two Type 2 IMTs. C&G will select remaining IMT members and prioritize trainee applications.

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.

Applications to Alaska IMTs will only be accepted through the Alaska Applicant Pool. Individual Alaska Teams will remain closed for application.

All applicants must update their ICAP application to ensure it is current for 2019. (See attached instructions). Especially take note of sections labeled **NOTE** and **NEW**.

Applicants will be notified of their status by March 1. The "Alaska Incident Management Meeting" will be held in the spring of 2019 (tentatively March 25-27). The meeting 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.

Your participation as a primary, alternate, or trainee team member is important on a statewide and national level. We hope to see increased participation and individual advancement as Alaska's IMT program continues to grow.

Beginning in October, the Pacific Northwest Wildfire Coordinating Group (PNWCG) will also be soliciting applicants who are interested and available to support the Type 1 and Type 2 IMT's hosted in the Pacific Northwest. Supervisor approval is **REQUIRED** for any PNW applications.

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

Sincerely,

Tristan Fluharty

Chair, AWFCG Operations Committee