



Board of County Commissioners - Staff Report

Meeting Date: May 19, 2020

Presenter: Brady Hansen, Fire Chief

Submitting Dept: Fire/EMS

Subject: 2020 Wildland Fire Management Annual Operating Plan

Statement / Purpose:

The purpose of this report is to present the 2020 Wildland Fire Management Annual Operating Plan and request signature by the Chair.

Background / Description (Pros & Cons):

Wildfire management in the State of Wyoming has been conducted in accordance with the Wyoming Interagency Cooperative Fire Management Agreement for over 30 years. Teton County has been party to this agreement for approximately 30 years. The plan establishes the process by which resources are requested for local, regional and national wildfires. Furthermore, the plan sets the rates at which firefighters are compensated and Teton County is reimbursed for the use of firefighting apparatus. This plan also sets forth guidelines for cost negotiations for fires depending on land ownership.

Stakeholder Analysis & Involvement:

Representatives from the local, state, and federal agencies met this winter to review the document application for the upcoming wildland fire season.

Fiscal Impact:

None

Staff Impact:

The agreement provides staff with the framework within which to cooperate with, and receive assistance from, surrounding agencies.

Legal Review:

Gingery

Staff Input / Recommendation:

Jackson Hole Fire/EMS has reviewed the plan and recommends approval.

Attachments:

2020 Wildland Fire Management Annual Operating Plan, Teton County, Wyoming

Suggested Motion:

I move to approve the 2020 Wildland Fire Management Annual Operating Plan.

2020
WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT
ANNUAL OPERATING PLAN

PREAMBLE

This operating plan is prepared pursuant to the Wyoming Interagency Cooperative Fire Management Agreement USDA Forest Service 11-FI-11020000-020, USDI Bureau of Land Management BLM-MOU-WY-930-1202, USDI National Park Service 12491200001, USDI Bureau of Indian Affairs A12MA00028 and the USDI Fish and Wildlife Service 14-48-FF06R03000-12-K001.

PURPOSE

This is a Sub-Geographic Area Annual Operating Plan (AOP) meant to address issues affecting cooperation, interagency working relationships and protocols, financial arrangements, and joint activities across the State of Wyoming. The AOP details operating procedures applicable across the State and those applicable to specific districts. Procedures applicable to specific districts are included in Attachments A, B, C, D, and E, District Specific Procedures, which are incorporated herein by this reference. Signatories to this AOP agree to the procedures applicable across the State and to those applicable to their specific district.

RECITALS

National Response Framework activities will be accomplished utilizing established dispatch coordination concepts. Situation and damage assessment information will be transmitted through established fire suppression intelligence channels.

Jurisdictional Entities are responsible for all planning documents i.e. land use, resource and fire management plans and decision support documents, for a unit's wildland fire and fuels management program.

Protecting Entities implement the actions documented and directed by the appropriate planning documents and decision support documents for initial and extended attack on wildfire incidents. They provide supervision and support including operational oversight, direction and logistical support to Incident Management Teams.

INTERAGENCY COOPERATION

Interagency Dispatch Centers:

The entities agree to participate in the neighborhood dispatch system. The Entities give authority to the interagency dispatch center to provide the services requested in support of the appropriate center's charter and operating plan. Interagency Dispatch Centers will work together to ensure a positive communication flow and closest available resources will be utilized within capability. For specifics, see individual district attachments.

Mobilization Process for State and County Resources:

When resources, statused in the current dispatch ordering system, are ordered from their local dispatch center for initial attack, it is their responsibility to notify their respective Interagency Dispatch Center of their assignment. It is also their responsibility to notify the respective Interagency Center when they return home.

Standards:

Non-Federal Firefighter Qualifications:

1. Qualifications for local resources utilized for fire suppression within that respective county will meet local standards.
2. Except for County to County resources, all resources ordered through an interagency dispatch center will meet NWCG 310-1 standards. Certification for positions are in accordance with the Wyoming Redcard Manual.

Federal Agencies will ensure the following minimum required elements are included in the agreement:

1. Local fire department personnel responding to incidents on Federal lands must:
 - a. Be 18 years of age or older
 - b. Have and use the required personal protective equipment (PPE) found in the Interagency Standards for Fire and Fire Aviation Operations ("Red Book" Ch.7);
 - c. Have a basic level of wildland fire training. The National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) course S-190 and S-130 are recommended, both courses can be modified to fit local needs.

2. Pre-identified incident communication protocols will be established and followed (e.g. frequencies plans, points of contact, and interoperable radio hardware).
3. The Incident Command System (ICS) will be used to manage all incidents.

The minimum elements are critical to ensure safe and effective response to wildfires. While on a Federal incident, local fire department leadership is responsible to only deploy personnel that are in compliance with these minimum elements.

PREPAREDNESS

Protection Areas and Boundaries:

If applicable, each entity will provide a Protection Area Map to be included in district specific attachments.

WSFD:

WSFD shall assume cost of its non-aviation related resources such as overhead, Smokebusters (WHCC), engines, or personnel for a maximum of 24 hours following the initial dispatch to the fire. This shall not be construed as automatic 24 hour dispatch. Any deviation or variation will be at the discretion of the WSFD Fire Duty Officer or their designee. An exception to the 24 hour reciprocal period is the Wyoming State Helitack, provisions are as follows:

1. WSFD may assume the cost of the aircraft daily availability at the discretion of the WSFD Duty Officer
2. To promote safe and aggressive initial attack, fires on all jurisdiction that pose an imminent threat to State and/or Private lands: WSFD shall assume all associated costs of the Wyoming State Helitack for a full operational period to be determined by the WSFD Fire Duty Officer. Federal/other out of state personnel assigned to the Helitack may still be billed to the incident during this time.
3. Fires on Federal lands or those fires that pose no imminent threat to State and/or Private land, WSFD may seek reimbursement for costs associated with the Wyoming State Helitack.
4. Rates for the Helicopter and supporting costs shall be distributed upon execution of the contract.
5. Unless noted otherwise on a cost share agreement.

Agreements/MOUs for Fire Suppression Responsibilities:

Agreements/MOUs between entities establishing fire suppression responsibilities will be recognized by this Annual Operating Plan. Entities providing this protection may represent the

interest of the jurisdictional entity whose lands are being protected. Unless specified otherwise, the lands protected under Agreement/MOU will be afforded the same conditions/terms as the protecting entity's lands (i.e. mutual aid periods, etc.). All signatories to this Annual Operating Plan will be notified, in writing, of changes or modifications to fire suppression responsibilities by the entity providing protection at the time of an approved Agreement/MOU.

Joint Projects and Project Plans:

On fires that threaten, or involve, the Wildland Urban Interface, the County's Community Wildfire Protection Plan should be referred to for suppression priorities and other information that could prove beneficial to the suppression efforts.

Fire Prevention/Education/Mitigation:

The Entities agree to cooperate in the development and implementation of fire prevention/education/mitigation programs. Entities will collaborate on ways to prevent unwanted wildfires. This program will have an overarching goal of lessening the risk of wildfire impacts to the public and private land and structures especially in the WUI.

Fire Restrictions:

Fire Restrictions and/or Closures will be communicated and coordinated between the Entities to include initiating, implementing, and lifting.

Prescribed Fire (Planned Ignitions) and Fuels Management:

1. Fuels management and prescribed fire projects will be coordinated with the Entities to this agreement.
2. Wildland fire(s) resulting from escaped prescribed fires at the direction or under the supervision of one of the Entities to this agreement shall be the responsibility of that Entity. All suppression costs exclusive of reciprocal periods shall be borne by the responsible Entity. The responsible agency on federal lands shall be the jurisdictional agency. An Entity may take appropriate suppression action when lands under its protection responsibility are involved in or threatened by the fire. Such suppression action may be taken on its own initiative or at the request of the responsible Entity. An Entity may take appropriate suppression action, at the request of the responsible Entity, when lands under its protection are not involved in or threatened by the fire. The responsible Entity shall reimburse the other Entity for all suppression costs incurred in accordance with this clause.

3. Escaped prescribed fires ignited by individual(s) not party to this agreement will be considered as wildland fires requiring suppression action under the terms and conditions of this agreement.
4. Entities agree to share and reimburse, according to the rates established in the Wyoming Wildland Fire Resource Mobilization Guide for resources used on prescribed fire projects, based on availability, qualifications, and need. For Forest Service prescribed fire projects, a separate agreement will be executed.

Smoke Management:

Within their authorities, the Parties to this Agreement agree to cooperate in smoke management efforts. The Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality, Air Quality Division, Smoke Management Program has access to the Wyoming State Forestry Division Wildfire Reporting Program and will assist in the coordination of smoke management within the state in support of the Wyoming Air Quality Standards & Regulations Chapter 10, Section 4, Smoke Management Requirements.

OPERATIONS

Fire Notifications and Reporting:

All fires and initial action on or near State or Federal land under the protection of an Entity to this agreement will be reported as soon as possible to the protecting Entity through the appropriate Interagency Dispatch Center and further instructions agreed upon. The appropriate Interagency Dispatch Center will in turn, notify the appropriate Entity of all fires within their respective fire District boundaries.

Initial Attack:

If one or more Entities to this agreement arrive on initial attack, the first Entity on the scene will assume command or what is mutually agreed upon between those entities first arriving to the incident. Once protection responsibilities are established, the protecting Entity will either assume command or request a supporting Entity to do so.

Independent Action on Lands Protected by Another Entity:

Nothing herein shall prohibit any Entity, on its own initiative, with notification and coordination with the protecting Entity and without requesting reimbursement from going upon lands known

to be protected by another Entity to engage in suppression of wildland fires, when such fires are a threat to lands within that Entity's protection responsibility.

Special Management Considerations:

Heavy Equipment Use

Heavy equipment use provisions will be defined in County attachments as guidelines differ across the State.

Use of Aerial Retardant on Federal Lands

Pursuant to agency policy, each federal management unit has identified areas where aerial retardant may not be applied, unless a decision by the Incident Commander determines that human life or safety is threatened and retardant will mitigate that threat. These areas are identified on a map for each unit and may include areas within 300 feet of waterways (streams and lakes); where threatened, endangered, or sensitive species habitat occurs that could be impacted by retardant; and/or where cultural resources exist that have been identified for exclusion from retardant. If retardant is applied in these areas, the agency administrator must be notified for reporting requirements to be met.

Special Lands Designations

On Wilderness lands (Congressional Designated, Wilderness Study Areas, and Recommended/Proposed/Potential Wilderness), and Areas of Critical Concerns (BLM) special tactics must be used. No motorized equipment may be used without proper approval including chainsaws, portable pumps and helicopter landings. Minimum Impact Suppression Tactics (MIST) will be utilized in order to minimize adverse impacts of management actions. Fire management resources will be advised of this and briefed on MIST. Sage Grouse – General Habitat, Priority Habitat and Sagebrush Focal Areas are identified as high value areas to protect from disturbances from wildfires. Aggressive actions and coordination will be taken on all wildfire incidents with these identified areas.

Decision Process:

Escaped Fires or Fires Threatening Other Jurisdictions

Field personnel involved in fire suppression action will contact the other protecting Entities as soon as possible after a fire escapes or threatens to escape initial attack near intermingled ownership (defined as different ownership within 1 mile of the fire or it is anticipated that other ownerships may be involved) and a Unit Administrator Group (see Glossary) will be assembled by the initial attack Entity to represent the jurisdictional Entities involved with that fire. For a

list of the designated representatives for creating a unit administrator group, see the directory in (Attachment A, B, C, D, and E)

1. Guidelines for assembling the Unit Administrator Group:

- a. A wildland fire that escapes initial attack or threatens other jurisdiction .
- b. The fire is to be determined at a Type III or higher complexity level.
- c. Containment is not anticipated before the next burning period.

2. The Unit Administrator Group's functions is:

- a. To participate in development and approval of wildfire decision documents for managing a fire incident.
- b. To recommend to the appropriate Line Officer(s) the level at which the incident should be managed.
- c. To prepare a Delegation of Authority for Line Officer(s) signature.
- d. To act as the representative for the respective Entity.
- e. To develop incident management objectives and agree on management actions needed.
- f. To initiate a written cost share agreement for Line Officer(s) approval with signatures prior to the end of the fire. (See Example in Wyoming Wildland Fire Resource Mobilization Guide)
- g. To agree to all expenditures whenever the suppression plan must be modified including mop-up, rehab and patrol after demobilization of the fire.
 - 1) The Incident Commander/Unified Command will provide the Unit Administrator Group with an estimated fire cost daily.
 - 2) The Incident Commander/Unified Command and the Unit Administrator Group will reach mutual agreement when the fire situation is such that the group can be demobilized.

Delegation of Authority:

It is recognized that initial attack and rapidly expanding incidents often involve multi-jurisdictions. Determining the appropriate jurisdiction and obtaining delegations of authority in an efficient and effective manner is often difficult and may be further hampered by the remoteness of incidents in relation to Entities having authority and jurisdictional responsibility.

The Entities which are party to the Annual Operating Plan agree that initial attack delegation will be valid until a qualified incident commander from the entity having jurisdiction is on scene, or a revised or updated incident specific delegation of authority is signed. The Incident Commander being delegated authority should be confirmed through the dispatch log for that position from the Interagency Dispatch Center. Incidents that have been declared as exceeding initial attack and

transition to extended attack should have an incident specific delegation of authority in place as soon as possible.

Preservation of Evidence/Fire Cause Determination:

Each Entity is responsible for investigating and taking appropriate law enforcement action for all fires on lands under their jurisdiction. The initial attack Incident Commander will take all responsible precautions to preserve evidence found.

Entities shall render mutual assistance in investigation and law enforcement activities and in court prosecutions to the fullest extent possible. Each Entity shall be responsible for fire-related law enforcement activities on wildfires that originate on their respective lands. To the extent permitted by Federal and State law, the protecting Entity will provide investigation files relative to the fire to the Jurisdictional Entity for legal action and/or prosecution.

REIMBURSEMENT OF INTERAGENCY FIRE RESOURCES

Cost Share Agreement:

In situations where an incident encompasses land under the protection or jurisdictional responsibility of more than one Entity, a cost share agreement will be initiated prior to fire being declared controlled and negotiated on a case by case basis

Where agreement cannot be reached regarding incident strategies, tactics or costs, the discussion will be elevated to the next level of Entity administrators representing each Entity.

For incidents that go beyond the reciprocal period (mutual aid) it should be noted in the Cost Share Agreement that reciprocal (mutual aid) period will not apply; all costs will begin at the start of the incident, unless otherwise specified by an individual district attachment. (i.e. For the sake of this cost share agreement, all costs will be collected from the beginning of the incident and no mutual aid period will apply.)

Private Lands:

Costs associated with the protection of privately owned land and structures are the responsibility of the local Entity that has jurisdiction for the private property.

Federal Lands w/Private Structures:

The protection of privately owned structures on federal lands are the responsibility of the local Entity that has jurisdiction for the private structures. Structure protection responsibilities of the local Entity include actions taken directly on the structure or the immediate area surrounding structure. The federal agencies will be responsible for cost associated with keeping the fire from reaching the structures.

Entities that elect not to suppress an ignition with intent to manage the fire for resource benefits are responsible for the cost associated with that fire. This includes the cost of protecting private land, structures and infrastructure, as well as other State and Federal managed lands, unless negotiated with the other affected jurisdiction.

For incidents that have an initial response objective of protection (suppression) and it is later determined that there is also an opportunity to effectively manage a portion of the incident for resource benefit objectives, Entities should follow the standard cost share principles and many need to develop additional cost share agreements based on changes in the situation and objectives.

The local Entity is responsible for developing structure protection plans and coordinating with the incident management team to implement the plan. This could include the local Entity preparing the plan themselves or working with the incident management team to obtain resources to prepare and implement the plan. The local Entity is responsible for determining any actions to be applied directly to a structure such as wrapping; applying foam, fire gels, or other retardants; sprinkler on roofs, etc.

State Trust Lands w/Private Structures:

The protection of privately owned structures on state trust lands are the responsibility of the local fire service Entity that has jurisdiction for the private structures. Structure protection responsibilities of the local fire service Entity include actions taken directly on the structure or the immediate area surrounding structure. Wyoming State Forestry Division will be responsible for costs associated with keeping the fire from reaching the structures.

Training:

The Entities party to this agreement will coordinate wildland fire training locally, within the county, state and the Geographic Area.

Communication Systems:

Communication frequencies to be used for initial attack are included in each district's attachment.

All Entities will utilize the current year Standard Air to Ground naming convention adopted by the National Interagency Incident Communication Division.

All Entities to this agreement give permission for the use of their respective entities radio frequencies for emergency use only.

Aviation Operations:

1. Aerial resources may be used with prior approval of the jurisdictional Entity unless otherwise specified under "Special Management Considerations" of this plan.
2. Aerial resources will be paid for by the requesting Entity if prior approval has not been obtained.
3. Air to air and air to ground frequencies with designated ground contacts need to be established with dispatch.
4. Aviation use will be requested through the appropriate interagency dispatch center.

Billing Procedures:

A. Out of State:

1. Federal Agencies will not bill each other for fire suppression. See Section C for State and County billings.
2. When non-federal resources respond to incidents outside the State of Wyoming, bill should be submitted to WSFD Headquarters.
3. Wyoming State Forestry Division will audit, may reimburse, and forward all completed bills for services to the Forest Service under these qualifying conditions:
 - I. When non-federal resources respond to incidents which are outside the State of Wyoming but are within USDA Forest Service Jurisdiction.
 - II. When the USDA Forest Service is the Lead Agency for Payment.

All completed bills will then be sent to the appropriate Forest Service at the address listed in Section C.

4. When non-federal resources respond outside the State of Wyoming to incidents that are under US DOI Jurisdiction or where the US DOI is the Lead Agency for Payment, Wyoming State Forestry Division will audit, may reimburse, and forward all completed bills for services to the appropriate DOI Agency at the address listed below in Section C.
5. Payment Due Dates: All bills will have a payment due date 30 days after the date of issuance. If payment cannot be made before the 30 days expire, then a 30-day extension, with oral or written justification, may be requested. Voucher difference statements will accompany any payment made that is different than the amount billed.
6. Disputed Billings: Written notice that a bill is contested will be mailed to the billing agency within 30 days of issuance of the final bill, and will fully explain the area of dispute. Contested items will be resolved within the designated waiver period.
7. Fire Cost Meeting: The Entities that are party to the cost share agreement will gather their suppression costs and meet to discuss these costs. Contested items will be resolved by signature parties if consensus cannot be reached, these costs will be elevated to the next higher level of management for resolution. After costs for fire suppression have been agreed upon then a bill will be issued to the owing party.
8. All supporting Entities are subject to examination and audit for 3 years after final payment.
9. In order to receive EFT payments, Wyoming counties shall register in SAM, www.sam.gov, and follow the instructions on line.

B. In-State:

1. When State or County resources are used and the fire management activity is within the State of Wyoming, the State or County will bill either: WSFD or the protecting host unit.
2. When the State is the jurisdictional Agency, the Federal Agencies will submit their individual billings to the State and the State will reimburse each individual Agency. When the County is the jurisdictional entity, the Federal Agencies may submit their individual billings to the County and the County will reimburse each individual Agency.

3. Payment for Wyoming State/County resources will be made direct to the appropriate State/County identified in the billing. The State will coordinate billing questions or disputes with the appropriate County.

C. Billing Addresses: All bills for services provided to the Wyoming State Forestry Division or to Counties will be submitted to addresses identified in the Appropriate Annual Operating Plans or as listed below:

All bills for services provided to Wyoming State Forestry Division will be submitted to:

Wyoming State Forestry Division
Headquarters Office
5500 Bishop Blvd.
Cheyenne, WY 82002

All bills for services provided to a County in Wyoming:

Refer to the Wyoming Wildland Fire Resource Mobilization Guide on the following website for the County are you to bill: <http://wsfd.wyo.gov/fire-management/fire-business>

All bills for services provided to the Bureau of Reclamation will be mailed to:

Scott Hettinger
Environmental Division Manager
Bureau of Reclamation, Dakotas Area Office
P.O. Box 1017
Bismarck, ND 58502

All bills for services provided to the Rocky Mountain Region – Forest Service will be mailed to:

USDA Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Region
Attn: Incident Business – Regional Budget Office
1617 Cole Boulevard, Building 17
Lakewood, CO 80401-3305

All bills for services provided to the Intermountain Region – Forest Service will be mailed to:

USDA Forest Service, Intermountain Region
Attn: Incident Business – Regional Budget Office
324 25th Street
Ogden, UT 84401

All bills for services provided **out of state** to the DOI Department of Interior/BLM will be mailed to:

BLM Wyoming State office
Attn: Fire Program Analyst
PO Box 1828
5353 Yellowstone Road
Cheyenne, WY 82009

All bills for services provided **in state** to the DOI Department of Interior/BLM will be mailed to appropriate BLM WY District:

BLM High Plains District
Attention: Fire Management Officer
2987 Prospector Drive
Casper, WY 82604

BLM Wind River/Bighorn Basin District
Attention: Fire Business Specialist
101 S. 23rd Street
PO Box 119
Worland, WY 82401

BLM High Desert District
Attention: Fire Business Specialist
280 Highway 191 North
Rock Springs, WY 82901

All bills for services provided to the DOI Department of Interior/NPS Intermountain Region will be mailed to:

NPS – Intermountain Region
Attn: Fire Budget Analyst
12795 W. Alameda Parkway
Lakewood, CO 80228

All bills for services provided to the DOI Department of Interior/BIA will be mailed to:

Bureau of Indian Affairs – Rocky Mountain Region
Branch of Fire & Forestry
Attn: Budget Analyst
2021 4th Avenue North
Billings, MT 59101

All bills for services provided to the DOI Department of Interior/FWS will be mailed to:

US Fish & Wildlife Service
Mountain Prairie Region 6
134 Union Blvd, Suite 300
Lakewood, CO 80226

- D. The non-federal Entities of Wyoming are cooperators, not contractors. Reference the Wyoming Wildland Fire Resource Mobilization Guide (Mini Mob Guide) for Wyoming Firefighters Pay Plan and Equipment Use Rates. Emergency Equipment Rental Agreements will only be executed for equipment not listed above .
- E. The Jurisdictional Entity is not obligated to reimburse the Supporting Entity for costs incurred during the Reciprocal (Mutual Aid) period unless otherwise specified in a cost share agreement.
- F. Fire Numbers: Entities will share their respective individual fire numbers for cross referencing purposes.
- G. Billing Estimates/Time Frames: On fires where costs are incurred pursuant to the terms of this agreement, the billing Entity shall submit a bill or estimate for reimbursement as soon as possible, but not later than 120 days after the fire is controlled. If the total cost is not known at the time of initial billing, a partial bill, so identified, may be submitted. A final bill, so identified, will be issued within 270 days after control of the fire.

Billing deadlines set forth herein are intended merely to encourage prompt billing, and failure to meet billing deadlines shall not be construed as a release or waiver of claims for reimbursement against the other Entity.

For obligation purposes, the Federal Entities will submit unpaid obligatory figures to the non-federal Entities by May 15. The non-federal Entities will submit unpaid obligatory figures to the appropriate federal Entity by September 15 for the previous federal fiscal year.

After the final billing has been sent and additional costs are identified, a supplemental billing may be issued if agreeable to applicable Entities.

H. Billing Content: A separate bill will be submitted for each fire. Bills or State Form WSFD-41, Exhibit B Invoice Form for Wyoming Firefighters and Equipment (WSFD-41) will be summarized by major categories. Bills or WSFD-41 will include incident name, location, accounting code, jurisdictional unit, incident number, appropriate resource order number, inclusive dates, and will be supported by originals or copies of the following:

Fire Time Reports, OF-288

Summary of travel charges

Equipment Use Invoice and Daily Shift Tickets

Credit card bill, list of purchases

Cost Share Agreement, when applicable

Copy of Resource Order

For out of state resources used on state or private land incidents, their bills will be sent to the address below. Wyoming State Forestry Division will either make payment or forward the bill to the appropriate Entity for payment.

Shielah Esterholdt

Wyoming State Forestry Division

5500 Bishop Blvd.

Cheyenne, WY 82002

Cost Recovery:

The Authorized Representatives of affected Entities will attempt to reach mutual agreement, as soon as possible after a fire start, on the strategy that will be used to recover suppression costs and damages from the individuals liable for such costs and damages. Such strategy may alter interagency billing procedures, timing and content as otherwise provided in this Agreement. Any Entity may independently pursue civil actions against individuals to recover suppression costs and damages.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Personnel Policy:

Employees of the Entities to this Agreement shall be subject to the personnel rules, law and regulations of their respective Entity, unless they are employed temporarily by another Entity to this Agreement and the authority under which such temporary employment is authorized provides that such employees shall be subject to the employing Entity's personnel laws and regulations.

Modifications:

Modifications within the scope of this Agreement shall be made by mutual consent of the Entities, by the issuance of a written modification request with a minimum of 20 day notice, signed and dated by all Entities, prior to any changes being performed. No Entity is obligated to fund any changes not properly approved in advance.

Annual Review:

This Annual Operating Plan is reviewed annually. Wyoming State Forestry Division will be the lead Entity responsible for preparing the plan.

Duration of Agreement:

This Annual Operating Plan remains in effect until December 31st, 2020. This plan becomes effective on the date signed by each Entity. It may be terminated upon 20 days written notice to all Entities.

Sovereign Immunity:

The parties do not waive sovereign immunity by entering into this Agreement and specifically retain immunity and all defenses available to them pursuant to State and Federal law.

Glossary of Terms

Term	Definitions
Agency	An administrative division of a government with a specific function, or a non-governmental organization (e.g., private contractor, business, etc.) that offers a particular kind of assistance. A federal, tribal, state or local agency that has direct fire management or land management responsibilities or that has programs and activities that support fire management activities.
Agency Administrator	The official responsible for the management of a geographic unit or functional area. The managing officer of an agency, division thereof, or jurisdiction having statutory responsibility for incident mitigation and management. Examples: NPS Park Superintendent, BIA Agency Superintendent, USFS Forest Supervisor, BLM District Manager, FWS Refuge Manager, State Forest Officer, Tribal Chairperson, Fire Chief, Police Chief.
Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC)	An area of public lands where special management attention is required to protect and prevent irreparable damage to important historic, cultural, or scenic values, fish, and wildlife resources, or other natural system or processes, or to protect life or provide safety from natural hazards.
BLM	Bureau of Land Management
Reclamation	Bureau of Reclamation
County and local fire service Entities	County Fire Organizations, City Fire Organizations, Joint Powers Boards, or Fire Protection Districts.
Entities (Entity)	All Federal agencies, Wyoming State Forestry Division, counties, fire districts and local fire service organizations having jurisdictional responsibility for land and resource management and protection.
Escaped Prescribed Fire	Prescribed fire that has exceeded or is expected to exceed prescription parameters or otherwise meets the criteria for conversion to wildfire. Criteria for conversion are specified in, "Interagency Prescribed Fire-Planning and Implementation Procedures Reference Guide."

Extended Attack	Actions taken on a wildfire that has exceeded the initial response.
Initial Attack (IA)	A preplanned response to a wildfire given the wildfire's potential. Initial attack may include size up, patrolling, monitoring, holding action or suppression.
Jurisdictional Entity	The Entity which has overall land and resource management, and/or protection responsibility as provided by Federal, State, or local law.
Line Officer	Managing officer, or designee, of the agency, division thereof, or jurisdiction having statutory responsibility for incident mitigation and management.
Prescribed Fire	Any fire intentionally ignited by management actions in accordance with applicable laws, policies, and regulations to meet specific objectives.
Protecting Entity	An entity responsible for providing direct incident management within a specific geographical area pursuant to its jurisdictional responsibility or as specified and provided by contract, cooperative agreement, etc.
Protection Area Maps	Official maps of the annual operating plans. Example: Maps showing protection area responsibilities.
Reciprocal Fire Protection	A Supporting Entity will take initial attack in support of the Protecting Entity. The Protecting Entity will not be required to reimburse the Supporting Entity for costs incurred following the initial dispatch of any ground resources to the fire for the duration of the reciprocal period as defined in this plan, not to exceed 24 hours.
Reimbursable Fire Protection	Fire suppression resources will be paid for by the requesting Protecting Entity per the conditions in the Wyoming Interagency Fire Management Agreement, Wyoming Interagency Cooperative Fire Management Agreement and this Annual Operating Plan.
Research Natural Area (RNA)	A physical or biological unit in which current natural conditions are maintained insofar as possible. These conditions are ordinarily achieved by allowing natural physical and biological processes to prevail without human intervention. However, under unusual circumstances, deliberate manipulation may be utilized to maintain the unique feature that the Research Natural Area was established to protect.

Responding Entity	Administrative entity that provides resources in response to the incident.
State Lands	All lands under the jurisdiction of the Board of Land Commissioners.
State Park Lands	All lands under the jurisdiction of Wyoming State Parks, Historic Sites & Trails.
Supporting Entity	An entity providing suppression or other support and resource assistance to a Protecting Entity.
Suppression	A wildfire response strategy to "put the fire out", as efficiently and effectively as possible, while providing for firefighter and public safety.
Unit Administrator Group	A group consisting of all Jurisdictional Entities, consisting of two or more individuals assigned administrative responsibilities, to make coordinating decisions and recommendations within the framework of the Annual Operating Plan.
Wildfire	An unplanned, unwanted wildland fire including unauthorized human-caused fires, escaped wildland fire use events, escaped prescribed fire projects, and all other wildland fires where the objective is to put the fire out.
Wildland Fire	Any non-structure fire that occurs in vegetation or natural fuels. Wildland fire includes prescribed fire and wildfire.
Wildland Fire (Unplanned Ignition)	Any non-structure fire, other than prescribed fire, that occurs in the wildland.
Wildland Fire Decision Support System (WFDSS)	The Wildland Fire Decision Support System (WFDSS) is a web-based decision support system that provides a single dynamic documentation system for use beginning at the time of discovery and concluding when the fire is declared out. WFDSS is the decision support documentation platform for all federal wildfires. WFDSS allows the Agency Administrator to describe and assess the fire Situation, develop Incident Objectives and Requirements, develop a Course of Action, evaluate Relative Risk, complete an Organization Assessment, document the Rationale and publish a Decision.

Wildland Fire Situation Analysis (WFSA)	A decision making process that evaluates alternative management strategies against selected safety, environmental, social, economical, political, and resource management objectives as selection criteria.
Wilderness Study Area (WSA)	An area under study for possible inclusion as a Wilderness Area in the National Wilderness Preservation System. These areas are roadless, undeveloped, federal lands that retain their primeval character and influence, without permanent improvements or human habitation, and are managed to preserve their natural conditions.
Wildland Urban Interface (WUI)	The line, area, or zone where structures and other human development meet or Intermingle with undeveloped wildland or vegetative fuels. Describes an area within or adjacent to private and public property where mitigation actions can prevent damage or loss from wildfire.
Wyoming Greater Sage-Grouse (GRSG) <i>*These terms and definitions were pulled directly out of the: Wyoming Greater Sage-Grouse RMP/LRMP Amendments</i>	<p><i>Core Habitat:</i> Sage-grouse core habitat (as defined in the WY EO 2015-4) is one of two components of Sage-grouse Priority Habitat Management Areas. Core habitats are state-designated areas identified as the most important for GRSG (Greater Sage-Grouse) and include breeding, late brood-rearing, winter concentration areas. It does not include known, migration or connectivity corridors. Sage-grouse core habitat plus connectivity habitat together make up Sage-grouse Priority Habitat Management Areas.</p> <p><i>General Habitat Management Areas:</i> Occupied (seasonal or year-round) habitat outside of priority habitat. These areas have been identified by the BLM in coordination with respective state wildlife agencies.</p> <p><i>Priority Habitat Management Area:</i> Sage-grouse priority habitats are areas that have the highest conservation value to maintaining or increasing Sage-grouse populations. These areas would include breeding, late brood-rearing, winter concentration areas, and where known, migration or connectivity corridors. Sage-grouse Priority Habitat Management Area includes core plus connectivity habitat.</p>

ATTACHMENT 2

DIRECTORY

Listed below are the Entity representative for each Entity. For purpose of notification, request of assistance, approval of retardant or equipment use, and for representatives for the Unit Administrator Group use the call list which is arranged according to the order each Agency and County wants their representatives called. Each Entity representative will be responsible to follow the proper procedure for their Entity. The individuals listed below or their designee will represent the participating Entity when a Unit Administrator Group is needed.

BLM Lands - District Fire Management Officer/Field Office Manager or their designated representative.

State Lands - Assistant State Forester - Fire Management/District Forester/ or their designated representative.

National Forest Lands - District Ranger/Forest Supervisor or their designated representative.

BIA Lands - Fire Management Officer or their designated representative.

National Park Service Lands - Fire Management Officer/Chief Ranger or their designated representative.

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Lands – Project Leader or their designated representative.

Private Lands - County Commissioner, County Fire Warden or their designated representative.

BOR – Chief of Land Management.

Entity Representatives

Lincoln County

a.	Kelly Hoffman	Lincoln County
b.	Barry Tye	Wyoming State Forestry Division
c.	Tobin Kelley	USFS, Bridger-Teton National Forest
d.	Mike Duran	Bear River Fire District
e.	Paul Dever	South Lincoln County Fire District
f.	Tom Koerner	Seedskadee National Wildlife Refuge Complex
g.	Frank Keeler	BLM, High Desert District
h.	Rod Hillyard	Upper Valley Fire District
i.	Mike Vogt	Alpine Fire District
j.	Angela Wetz	Fossil Butte National Monument
k.	Scott Hettinger	Bureau of Reclamation

Sublette County

a.	Shad Cooper	Sublette County
b.	Barry Tye	Wyoming State Forestry Division
c.	Tobin Kelley	USFS, Bridger-Teton National Forest
d.	Frank Keeler	BLM, High Desert District
e.	Scott Hettinger	Bureau of Reclamation

Sweetwater County

a.	Mike Bournazian	Sweetwater County
b.	Barry Tye	Wyoming State Forestry Division
c.	Joe Flores	USFS, Ashley National Forest
d.	Matt Gardner	Eden-Farson Fire District
e.	Scott Kitchner	Sweetwater County Fire District #1
f.	Jim Wamsley	City of Rock Springs
g.	Brad McCullom	Town of Granger
h.	Dustin Davis	Town of Wamsutter
i.	Mike Nomis	City of Green River
j.	Tom Koerner	Seedskadee National Wildlife Refuge Complex
k.	Frank Keeler	BLM, High Desert District
l.	Rich Zimmerlee	BLM, Wind River/Big Horn Basin District
m.	Scott Hettinger	Bureau of Reclamation

Teton County

a.	Brady Hansen	Teton County
b.	Barry Tye	Wyoming State Forestry Division
c.	Tobin Kelley	USFS, Bridger-Teton National Forest
d.	Chip Collins	NPS Grand Teton National Park
e.	Brian Glaspell	National Elk Refuge
f.	Jon Bishop	Teton Village Special Fire District
g.	Frank Keeler	BLM, High Desert District
h.	Scott Hettinger	Bureau of Reclamation

Uinta County

a.	Eric Quinney	Uinta County
b.	Barry Tye	Wyoming State Forestry Division
c.	Rick Schuler	USFS, Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest
d.	Frank Keeler	High Desert District, BLM
e.	Scott Hettinger	Bureau of Reclamation

CALL LIST

To report fires burning on private land or county land notify:

Lincoln County:

North Lincoln County Sheriff Dispatcher
(B) 911 or 307-885-5231

South Lincoln County Sheriff Dispatcher
(B) 911 or 307-877-3971 or 800-442-9001

Kelly Hoffman, County Fire Warden
(B) 307-279-3241 (H) 307-279-3625 (C) 307-270-8103

Sublette County:

Sublette County Sheriff Dispatcher
(B) 911 or 307-367-4378

Shad Cooper, County Fire Warden
(B) 307-367-4550 (C) 307-360-3110

Wil Gay, Deputy County Fire Warden
(B) 307-367-4558 (C) 307-749-0054

Sweetwater County:

Sweetwater County Sheriff Dispatcher
(B) 911 or 307-872-6350 ext. 1

Mike Bournazian, County Fire Warden
(B) 307-922-5360 (C) 307-705-0154

TJ Hunt, Deputy County Fire Warden
(B) 307-922-5361 (C) 307-231-6555

Teton County:

Teton County Sheriff Dispatcher
(B) 911 or 307-733-2331

Brady Hansen, County Fire Warden
(B) 307-733-4732 (C) 307-699-8188

Mike Moyer, Deputy County Fire Warden
(B) 307-733-4732 (C) 307-413-4455

Uinta County:

Uinta County Sheriff Dispatcher
(B) 911 or 307-783-1000

Eric Quinney, County Fire Warden
(B) 307-789-8556 (C) 307-780-6954

Tim Overy, Deputy County Warden
(B) 307-789-3013 (C) 307-679-0667

To report fires burning on State of Wyoming land notify:

Barry Tye, District Forester
(B) 307-787-6148 (C) 307-747-1020 – main contact number

Nate Wilson, Assistant District Forester
(B) 307-367-2119 (C) 307-749-7940 – main contact number

Fire Duty Officer
(B) 307-777-5566

Anthony Schultz, Fire Management Officer
(B) 307-777-3368 (C) 307-286-6315

To report fires burning on United States Forest Service land notify:

The respective Interagency Dispatch Center should be notified of fires on federal land first.

Ashley National Forest (Flaming Gorge):

Uintah Basin Interagency Fire Center 24 hour answering service June 1 to October 1
(B) 435-789-7021 24 hour service (C) 435-776-6695 Cheryl Nelsen
(C) 435- 790-7087 Dirk Huber

Joe Flores, Forest FMO
(B) 435-781-5109 (C) 435-219-2896

Curtis Booher, District Ranger
(B) 435-781-5258 (C) 435-790-7078

Lucus Santio, East Zone FMO
(B) 435-781-5144 (C) 435-790-4680

Nathan Shinkle, East Zone AFMO
(B) 435-781-5283 (C) 435-671-9374

Bridger-Teton National Forest:

Forest wide:

Teton Interagency Fire Center
(B) 307-739-3630

Tobin Kelley, Forest FMO
(B) 307-739-5576 (C) 307-413-2028 - main contact number

Josh Erickson, Forest AFMO
(B) 307-739-5581 (C) 307-226-0807 – main contact number

Lincoln County:

Jared Mattson, Zone FMO
(B) 307-886-5333 (C) 208-339-8328

Eddie Taylor, Zone AFMO
(B) 307-828-5116 (C) 307-200-1767

Vacant, Fuels AFMO
(B) 307-828-5117 (C) 307-200-1762

Sublette County:

Paul Hutta, East Zone FMO
(B) 307-367-5735 (C) 307-413-0542 (H) 307-367-7197

Brian Nate, AFMO Operations
(B) 307-367-5720 (C) 208-221-6236

Paul Swenson, AFMO Fuels
(B) 307-367-5711 (C) 307-231-9180

Teton County:

Steve Markason, Zone FMO (Will be Vacant on 5/31/2020)
(B) 307-739-5431 (C) 307-413-2032

Dave Wilkins, Zone AFMO
(B) 307-739-5418 (C) 307-413-2035

Andy Hall, Fuels AFMO
(B) 307-739-5425 (C) 307-699-4230

Caribou Targhee National Forest:

Forest wide:

East Idaho Interagency Fire Center
(B) 208-524-7600

Mike Johnston, Forest FMO
(B) 208-557-5950 (C) 208-516-0399 - main contact number

Martell Gibbons, Forest AFMO
(B) 208-557-5830 (C) 208-520-5685

Ashton/Island Park:

Jeff Hill, Zone FMO
(B) 208-652-1205 (C) 208-313-7830

Todd Moore, Zone AFMO
(B) 208-374-5422 (C) 530-545-2528

Jon White, Fuels AFMO
(B) 208-652-1202 (C) 307-250-1607

Driggs/Swan Valley:

Spencer Johnston, Zone FMO
(B) 208-523-1412 (C) 208-317-7841

Vacant, AFMO Operations
(B) 208-542-5815 (C)

Deb Flowers, AFMO Fuels
(B) 208-354-6630 (C) 208-313-7946

Soda Springs/Montpelier:

Garth Alleman, Zone FMO
(B) 208-847-8944 (C) 208-313-7823

Roo Phelps, Zone AFMO
(B) 208-847-8946 (C) 208-251-8108

Vacant, Fuels AFMO
(B) 208-847-8954 (C)

Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest:

Northern Utah Dispatch Center
Business Office 801-495-7600

Ben Sanders, East Zone AFMO Evanston & Mountain View Ranger Districts
(B) 307-782-6555 (C) 541-520-1850

Robert Lamping, East Zone FMO Heber & Kamas Ranger Districts
(B) 435-654-7217 (C) 801-556-9294

To report fires burning on Bureau of Land Management land notify:

BLM High Desert District:

Casper Interagency Dispatch Center
(B) 800-295-9952 or 307-233-1140

Frank Keeler, FMO BLM High Desert District
(B) 307-352-0282 (C) 307-350-6994

John Ziegler, AFMO BLM High Desert District
(B) 307-352-0236 (C) 307-350-6996

Mike Wengert, Fuels AFMO BLM High Desert District
(B) 307-352-0217 (C) 307-250-3027

BLM Wind River Big Horn Basin District:

Cody Interagency Dispatch Center
(B) 800-295-9952 or 307-233-1140

Rich Zimmerlee, FMO BLM Wind River/Big Horn Basin District
(C) 307-921-2381

Aaron Thompson, AFMO Operations BLM Wind River/Big Horn Basin District
(B) 307-332-8472 (C) 307-330-6743

Rance Neighbors, AFMO Fuels BLM Wind River/Big Horn Basin District
(B) 307-347-5148 (C) 307-431-9878

To report fires burning on National Park Service land notify:

Grand Teton National Park/JDR Parkway:

Teton Interagency Dispatch Center
(B) 307-739-3630

Chip Collins, Park FMO
(B) 307-739-3310 (C) 307-690-4400

Bill Mayer, Park DFMO
(B) 307-739-3313 (C) 307-699-0139

Fossil Butte National Monument:

Teton Interagency Dispatch Center
(B) 307-739-3630

Angela Wetz, Superintendent
(B) 307-800-8402 (C) 307-220-1356 (H) 303-358-1518

To report fires burning on Cokeville Meadows and Seedskadee National Wildlife Refuge notify:

Casper Interagency Dispatch Center
(B) 800-295-9952 or 307-233-1140

Tom Koerner, Project Leader
(B) 307-875-2187 x16 (C) 307-413-6149

Tracy Swenson, FMO
(B) 435-734-6449 (C) 435-740-0572

To report fires burning on National Elk Refuge land notify:

Teton Interagency Dispatch Center
(B) 307-739-3630

Bryan Yetter, Refuge Law Enforcement Officer
(B) 307-733-9212, ext. 1 (C) 307-690-9273

Vacant, Project Leader
(B) 307-733-9212, ext. 2 (C) 307-690-0905

Cris Dippel, Deputy Project Leader
(B) 307-733-9212, ext. 3 (C) 307-203-6798

To report fires burning on Bureau of Reclamation land notify:

Scott Hettinger, Environmental Division Manager – BOR
(B) 701-250-4242

To report fires burning on State Parks land notify:

Chris Floyd, Shoshone District Manager
(B) 307-782-3842

CONTROLLED UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION//BASIC

**TETON COUNTY
ATTACHMENT 3**

INITIAL ATTACK FREQUENCIES				
Label	Rx freq	Rx CG	Tx freq	TxCG
R4 TAC 1	166.8125		166.8125	
R4 TAC 2	166.8875		166.8875	
R4 TAC 3	169.1750		169.1750	
CTNF TAC 2	169.1750		169.1750	
CTNF TAC 3	166.9875		166.9875	
BRIDGER/TETON NF RPT (Rendezvous)	171.3875		164.1375	167.9
CARIBOU-TARGHEE NF RPT (Relay Ridge)	170.5250		164.9875	123.0
VFIRE21 (FERN)	154.280		154.280	156.7
JHF/EMS DIRECT	155.715	107.2	155.715	107.2
JHF/EMS REPEAT	155.715	107.2	158.925	107.2
JHF/EMS TAC 3	154.325	107.2	154.325	107.2
JHF/EMS TAC 4	155.040		155.040	
SJMC	155.2800		155.2800	82.5
ENET/SK REPEAT	156.015	100.0	154.085	100.0
ENET/ROSIEDG	156.015	107.2	154.085	107.2
GRAND TETON NP DIRECT	171.675		171.675	123.0
GRAND TETON NP REPEAT Signal Mtn	171.675		164.950	123.0
ELK REFUGE (2)	172.450		172.450	
A/G 10 (TIDC)	166.9375		166.9375	
A/G 12 (TIDC)	167.0750		167.0750	
A/G 19 (TIDC)	168.1250		168.1250	
VMED 28	155.3400		155.3400	156.7

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RADIO FREQUENCIES FOR EMERGENCY USE				
Label	Rx freq	Rx CG	Tx freq	TxCG
VFIRE 21 (FERN)	154.280		154.280	156.7
STATE MUTUAL AID	154.875	107.2	154.875	107.2
STATE FORESTRY (1) DIRECT	151.430		151.4300	
STATE FORESTRY (2) DIRECT	151.160		151.1600	
STATE FORESTRY (3) FIRE	151.295		151.2950	
JHF/EMS DIRECT	155.715		155.715	
JHF/EMS REPEAT	155.715	107.2	158.925	107.2
JHF/EMS TAC 3	154.325	107.2	154.325	107.2
JHF/EMS TAC 4	155.040		155.040	
SJMC	155.2800		155.2800	82.5
ENET/SK REPEAT	156.015	100.0	154.085	100.0
ENET/ROSIDG	156.015	107.2	154.085	107.2
JHF/EMS DIRECT	155.715		155.715	
BRIDGER/TETON NF DIRECT (N)	171.3875		171.3875	107.2
BRIDGER/TETON NF RPT (Rendezvous)	171.3875		164.1375	167.9
BRIDGER/TETON NF RPT (Gravel)	171.3875		164.1375	123.0
BRIDGER/TETON NF RPT (Lava)	171.3875		164.1375	136.5
BRIDGER/TETON NF RPT (Bradley North)	171.3875		164.1375	146.2
BRIDGER/TETON NF RPT (Bacon)	171.3875		164.1375	156.7
BRIDGER/TETON NF RPT (Ramshorn)	169.9000		165.0125	110.9
CARIBOU-TARGHEE NF RPT (Relay Ridge)	170.5250		164.9875	123.0
R4 TAC 2	166.8875		166.8875	131.8
R4 TAC 3	169.1750		169.1750	131.8
CTNF TAC 2	169.1750		169.1750	
CTNF TAC 3	166.9875		166.9875	
GRAND TETON NP DIRECT	171.6750		171.6750	123.0
GRAND TETON NP REPEAT	171.6750		164.9500	123.0
ELK REFUGE	172.450		172.450	
AIR TO GROUND A/G 10 (TIDC)	166.9375		166.9375	
AIR TO GROUND A/G 19 (TIDC)	168.1250		168.1250	
AIR TO GROUND A/G 12 (TIDC)	167.0750		167.0750	
VMED 28	155.3400		155.3400	156.7

ATTACHMENT D - DISTRICT 4

This Plan is between the USDI Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Wyoming State Forestry Division (WSFD) 20-FO-11040300-028, USDA Forest Service (USFS), USDI National Park Service (NPS), USDI Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS), South Lincoln County Fire District, Bear River Fire District, Upper Valley Fire District, Alpine Fire District, Lincoln County 20-FO-11040300-029, Sublette County 20-FO-11040300-030, City of Rock Springs, Sweetwater County Fire District #1, City of Green River, Eden-Farson Fire District, Town of Granger, Town of Wamsutter, Sweetwater County 20-FO-11040100-008, Teton Village Special Fire District, Teton County 20-FO-11040300-031, Uinta County Fire Protection & Emergency Services Joint Powers Board, and Uinta County 20-FO-11040100-007.

Interagency Dispatch Centers:

1. For initial dispatch

Lincoln Co. - in the southern 2/3 of the county, fires on State, Private, BLM, and USFWS ownership will use Casper Interagency Dispatch Center as the dispatch contact. For fires on USFS and NPS ownership, Teton Interagency Dispatch Center will be used. In the northern 1/3 of the county (Star Valley), fires on all ownerships with the exception of the Caribou-Targhee National Forest will use Teton Interagency Dispatch Center. Fires on the Caribou-Targhee National Forest will use Eastern Idaho Interagency Dispatch. On multi-jurisdictional fires and incidents with poor radio communications the Incident Commander, in coordination /agreement with the dispatch centers and appropriate Duty Officers, will determine which dispatch center will be used based on acceptable radio communications. All responding units will be informed on which dispatch center is being used along with assigned frequencies for the incident. The responsible Agencies dispatch center will be updated on the progress and any significant events when a different dispatch center is providing support to an incident.

Sublette Co. - for interagency fires within Sublette County, either Teton Interagency Dispatch Center or Casper Interagency Dispatch Center will be used as dispatch contact. Fires will be dispatched according to dispatch center boundaries. On multi-jurisdictional fires and incidents with poor radio communications the Incident Commander, in coordination/agreement with the dispatch centers and appropriate Duty Officers, will determine which dispatch center will be used based on acceptable radio communications. All responding units will be informed on which dispatch center is being used along with assigned frequencies for the incident. The responsible Agencies dispatch center will be updated on the progress and any significant events when a different dispatch center is providing support to an incident.

For the reporting and assigning of the appropriate fire numbers on interagency fires within Sublette County, dispatch center boundaries will be the determining factor as to which dispatch center is responsible to do so.

Sweetwater Co. - on State, Private, BLM High Desert District, and USFWS ownership fires, Casper Interagency Dispatch Center will be used for the dispatch contact, on Wind River Bighorn Basin District BLM ownership fires, Cody Interagency Dispatch Center will be used. For fires on USFS ownership, Uinta Basin Interagency Fire Center will be used. On multi-jurisdictional fires the Incident Commander(s), in conjunction with the interagency dispatch center managers, will determine which dispatch center to use.

Teton Co. - for all interagency fires within Teton County with the exception of those originating on the Caribou-Targhee National Forest, Teton Interagency Dispatch Center will be used for the dispatch contact, fires on the Caribou-Targhee National Forest will use Eastern Idaho Interagency Dispatch. Communication frequencies to be used for initial attack will be according to the jurisdictional authority of the incident.

Uinta Co. - on State, Private, and BLM ownership fires, Casper Interagency Dispatch Center will be used for the dispatch contact. For fires on USFS ownership, Northern Utah Dispatch Center will be used. On multi-jurisdictional fires, the Incident Commander(s) in conjunction with the interagency dispatch center managers will determine which dispatch center to use.

2. Interagency Dispatch Operations

All signing entities agree to incorporate Interagency Dispatch Center Annual Operating Plans as references to this document where applicable.

Dispatch Centers servicing WSFD District 4 will utilize the neighboring dispatch closest to the incident when ordering resources for initial attack and rapidly evolving incidents regardless of GACC boundaries.

PREPAREDNESS

Methods of Fire Protection and Suppression:

Reciprocal Fire Protection Services (Mutual Aid)

1. All jurisdictional lands within Wyoming State Forestry Division District 4 (Lincoln, Sweetwater, Sublette, Teton, and Uinta Counties), with the exception of Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) and Wyoming State Parks, will be considered to be in the reciprocal fire protection zone. Initial attack will be reimbursable on BOR and State Parks land.
2. Due to the ownership pattern and the response time, within the reciprocal fire protection zone, each Entity shall assume its own full cost of expenditures for a maximum of 24 hours following the initial report of the fire. Costs incurred after the

reciprocal fire protection period ends will be reimbursed by the protecting Entity. The protecting Entity will be determined as soon as possible. All fires will be reported to the protecting Entity as soon as possible.

3. Reciprocal protection is not construed as an automatic dispatch. Therefore, priority will be given to the release of a supporting Entity when it is mutually agreed upon by the initial attack IC that the fire situation is such that the protecting Entity's forces on the scene can adequately control the incident. Furthermore, within its capabilities, the protecting Entity will render support to the supporting Entity to include but not limited to food, water, and additional forces to expedite release of the supporting Entity in advance of the maximum reciprocal fire protection period.
4. Entities will notify the BOR Agency Administrator or State Parks District Manager (as listed in Attachment 2) as soon as possible when Initial Attack is not sufficient to control a fire.

Bureau of Reclamation

For all wildfires on BOR administered land, bills should go to the BOR point of contact.

State Parks

For all wildfires on State Parks administered land, bills should go to the Agency with surface jurisdiction.

OPERATIONS

Aviation

Sublette County Search and Rescue Helicopter

The Sublette County Search and Rescue (SAR) Helicopter will be available for authorized missions on the Bridger-Teton National Forest (BTNF) in accordance with the current Cooperator Letter of Approval issued by the Forest Service Intermountain Region (IMR) with the following conditions:

1. The aircraft will be available for wildland fire operations to include initial attack on lands under protection of the BTNF in Sublette, Teton, Fremont, and Lincoln Counties based on aircraft availability. The aircraft will be released from any incident upon request from Sublette County for higher priority life safety missions within Sublette County.
2. Sublette County will provide a carded pilot and carded aircraft qualified to fly on USFS Incidents and the equipment to accomplish the missions listed in the current Coop Letter between Sublette County and the IMR. The BTNF will be responsible for providing a qualified Helicopter Manager for the aircraft while it is on USFS Incidents. In the event that the Sublette County aircraft is needed for other incidents it will be ordered by the

protecting federal entity.

3. Refer to the Aviation Operations section covered in the Wildland Fire Management AOP for use and reimbursement of Interagency Fire Resources along with cost outlined in the current Sublette County Helicopter Cost letter found in Exhibit B of this document.
4. The Sublette County SAR ship will be requested by contacting Sublette County Dispatch at 307-367-4378.
5. Once assigned to a federal or multi-jurisdictional incident flight following will be provided by the Ordering Dispatch Center.
6. The Sublette County SAR ship will be based out of Pinedale Airport.
7. Use of the Sublette County SAR helicopter is not covered under the Reciprocal Fire Protection Services outlined in this document.

BLM Use Restrictions for Sublette County SAR Helicopter

1. The Sublette County SAR helicopter will not operate on single jurisdiction BLM fires within WSFD District 4. On multi-jurisdictional fires the SAR aircraft is present on it will remain under the operational control of either Sublette County or the USFS depending on the ordering entity.
2. Teton Interagency Dispatch Center and Sublette 911 will be the primary flight following dispatches within WSFD District 4. Casper Dispatch will only be used for flight following for the SAR aircraft if requested by another dispatch center due to compromised communications.
3. If the SAR aircraft is used on a multi-jurisdictional fire that includes BLM lands the costs of the SAR aircraft will be solely the responsibility of Sublette County or the USFS as determined by who is the ordering entity.

Special Management Considerations:

Federal Lands (BLM, USFS, NPS, USFWS)

The intent of these considerations is to provide guidance to initial responders regarding federal lands. In particular they are aimed at non-federal responders that may not be familiar with this management direction. These considerations may be modified if a decision by the initial attack Incident Commander determines that

human life or safety is imminently threatened.

Heavy Equipment: Use of a dozer, road patrol, or grader is not authorized for suppression except in situations when the Field Manager/District Ranger/Project Leader/Park Superintendent, (in coordination with Duty Officer or designated official) provides verbal consent. This will be followed by written documentation to the Incident Commander. Within USFS wilderness lands, heavy equipment requires Regional Forester Approval. All heavy equipment must remain on roads until a Resource Advisor arrives on scene to provide site specific guidance.

Wildland Urban Interface Protection

The operational role of federal and State agencies as partners in the wildland urban interface is wildland firefighting, hazard fuels reduction, cooperative prevention/education/mitigation, and technical assistance. Any fire service entity or resource may take action to prevent a wildland fire from reaching a structure, depending upon the location of the wildland fire and the chosen management strategy. Structural fire suppression is the responsibility of tribal or local governments. State and federal agencies may assist with exterior structural protection activities within the limits of their agencies policies. During wildfire incidents, development and implementation of structure protection plans and coordination with an Incident Management Team is a responsibility of the structure protection entity. Structure protection tasks may be delegated to an incident management team at the discretion of the responsible jurisdiction. Costs associated with the protection of privately owned structures on private or public (Federal or State) lands are the responsibility of the Agency or fire service entity that has jurisdiction for protecting the structure unless stipulated otherwise by agreements (e.g. - Special Use Permits). Structural fire suppression is the responsibility of local fire service Entities. Keeping an approaching wildfire from reaching a structure may be the responsibility of any of the parties to this agreement depending upon the location of the wildfire, ownership of the structure, and the chosen management strategy.

Entirety of Agreement:

This Agreement consisting the 2020 Master Template, Attachment D- District 4, Attachment 1, Attachment 2, Attachment 3, Exhibit A, and Exhibit B totaling 56 pages and the current Wyoming Wildland Fire Resource Mobilization Guide represents the entire and integrated Agreement between the Entities.

Authorized Representatives/Signatures:

By signature below, all signatories to this Annual Operating Plan certify that the individuals listed in this document are authorized to act in their respective areas for matters related to this Annual Operating Plan. By my signature below, I authorize my signature to be photocopied into each and all of the Annual Operating Fire Plans for the Wyoming Interagency Cooperative Fire Management Agreement.

I understand that my Entity will be provided a copy of the agreement with a photocopied signature page when the required signatures are obtained.

THE PARTIES HERETO, as evidenced by their authorized signature below, have executed, and thereby entered into, this agreement upon the date of the last signature below.

PREPARED AND APPROVED BY:

Lincoln County

Chairman, Lincoln County Commissioners (Printed Name) Date
925 Sage Street, Kemmerer, WY 83101

Lincoln County Fire Warden (Printed Name) Date
P.O. Box 203, Cokeville, WY 83114

Chairman, Alpine Fire District (Printed Name) Date
P.O. Box 3785, Alpine, WY 83128

Chairman, Bear River Fire District (Printed Name) Date
P.O. Box 99, Cokeville, WY 83114

Chairman, South Lincoln County Fire District (Printed Name) Date
P.O. Box 188, Kemmerer, WY 83101

Chairman, Upper Valley Fire District (Printed Name) Date
P.O. Box 546, Afton, WY 83110

Sublette County

Chairman, Sublette County Commissioners
21 South Tyler Avenue, Pinedale, WY 82941

(Printed Name)

Date

Sublette County Fire Warden
130 South Fremont Avenue, Pinedale, WY 82941

(Printed Name)

Date

Sweetwater County

Chairman, Sweetwater County Commissioners
Courthouse, Green River, WY 82935

(Printed Name)

Date

Sweetwater County Fire Warden
430 Blair Avenue, Rock Springs, WY 82901

(Printed Name)

Date

Mayor, Town of Granger
P.O. Box 42, Granger, WY 82934

(Printed Name)

Date

Mayor, City of Rock Springs
212 D Street, Rock Springs, WY 82901

(Printed Name)

Date

Mayor, City of Green River
50 East 2nd North, Green River, WY 82935

(Printed Name)

Date

Mayor, Town of Wamsutter
P.O. Box 6, Wamsutter, WY 82336

(Printed Name)

Date

Chairman, Eden-Farson Fire District
P.O. Box 6, Farson, WY 82932

(Printed Name)

Date

Chairman, Sweetwater County Fire District #1
3010 College Drive, Rock Springs, WY 82901

(Printed Name)

Date

Fire Chief, Rock Springs Fire Department
600 College Drive, Rock Springs, WY 82901

(Printed Name)

Date

Teton County

Chairman, Teton County Commissioners
P.O. Box 1727, Jackson, WY 83001

(Printed Name) Date

Attest: Teton County Clerk
P.O. Box 1727, Jackson, WY 83001

(Printed Name) Date

Teton County Fire Warden
P.O. Box 901, Jackson, WY 83001

(Printed Name) Date

Chief, Teton Village Special Fire District
P.O. Box 56, Teton Village, WY 83025

(Printed Name) Date

Uinta County

Chairman, Uinta County Commissioners
225 9th Street, Evanston, WY 82930

(Printed Name) Date

Attest: Uinta County Clerk
225 9th Street, Evanston, WY 82930

(Printed Name) Date

Uinta County Fire Warden
P.O. Box 640, Evanston, WY 82931

(Printed Name) Date

President, Uinta County Rural Fire District
3301 County Road 165, Evanston, WY 82930

(Printed Name) Date

Chairman
Uinta County Emergency Services Joint Powers Board
P.O. Box 640, Evanston, WY 82931

(Printed Name) Date

Bureau of Land Management

District Manager
High Desert District Office, Bureau of Land Management
280 Highway 191 North, Rock Springs, WY 82901

(Printed Name) Date

District Manager (Printed Name) Date
Wind River/Big Horn Basin District Office, Bureau of Land Management
P.O. Box 119, Worland, WY 82401

United States Forest Service

Regional Forester, Region 4 USFS (Printed Name) Date
324 25th Street, Ogden, UT 84401

National Park Service

Superintendent, Fossil Butte National Monument (Printed Name) Date
P.O. Box 592, Kemmerer, WY 83101

Superintendent, Grand Teton National Park and the (Printed Name) Date
John D. Rockefeller Jr. Memorial Parkway
P.O. Box 170, Moose, WY 83012

US Fish & Wildlife Service

Project Leader, National Elk Refuge (Printed Name) Date
P.O. Box 510, Jackson, WY 83001

Project Leader (Printed Name) Date
Central Sage Steppe Refuge Complex, US Fish & Wildlife Service
P.O. Box 700, Green River, WY 82935

Wyoming State Forestry Division

District Forester, Wyoming State Forestry Division (Printed Name) Date
P.O. Box 544, Lyman, WY 82937

EXHIBIT A

TETON COUNTY OWNERSHIP

