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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

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EMS Transmission 06/29/05  
Instruction Memorandum FA-IM-2005-028  
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To: State Directors  
From: Director, Office of Fire and Aviation  
Subject: National "Fire/Aviation Operations Alert" System

**Program Area:** Fire and Aviation Management

**Purpose:** Provision of critical operational information to the field in a systematic format.

**Policy/Action:** This action establishes a system to provide the field with critical fire operational information.

**Time Frame:** This IM is effective upon receipt.

**Budget Impact:** This system does not impact budget elements.

**Background:** The National Office of Fire and Aviation has identified the need for a systematic notification system that can forward critical fire operational information to States and Field Units in a timely manner. This system will complement existing procedures: such as manual, Red Book and operational guide revisions, SAFECOMs, and SAFENETs. This information will be provided to State and Field Unit Fire

Management Officers, and State and Unit Aviation Managers. It is expected that those individuals will ensure that the information provided is made available to appropriate agency and cooperator personnel. The information will be distributed in a high visibility format which will aid in broad dissemination of the information. The system will be managed by the Office of Fire and Aviation, Operations and Aviation Groups. Further information relating to distribution and use will follow on Operations Alert 05-01.

**Manual/Handbook Sections Affected:** None

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Attachment  
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