

NATIONAL WILDFIRE COORDINATING GROUP

Leadership Curriculum Management Unit

Charter

1. Background

The National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) was formed in January 1974, to expand operational cooperation and coordination between various public agencies having jurisdictional responsibility for wildland fire management.

In 2007, NWCG was re-chartered, expanding its responsibility and adding new partners. The unit chartered herein is one of a number of support groups established by the NWCG to provide stewardship for specific business segment areas in fire management.

2. Name

The name of this unit, hereinafter referred to as the Unit, is the Leadership Curriculum Management Unit (LCMU) of the Leadership Subcommittee.

3. Authority

The Unit is established pursuant to the authorities granted in the Leadership Subcommittee Charter.

The deliberations of this Unit are exempt from the Federal Advisory Committee Act under section 204 of the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995.

The Unit Lead is authorized to convene meetings and schedule agenda items. The Lead is also authorized to make contacts, negotiate work assignments, and make commitments on behalf of the Unit.

4. Purpose

The Unit is established to provide a knowledgeable point of contact regarding each of the following levels in the L-series courses:

L-180 / L-280 / Refresher Training – Insure the continued quality of the first line L-courses and ease of access to this courseware for field units across the wildland fire service. Individual in this role may initiate task teams to perform content revisions or develop new delivery methods.

L-380 / L381 – Provide oversight of the mid level L-courses in order to support cohesive crew and team performance in the wildland fire service. Individual in this role may initiate task teams to conduct evaluations, make revisions, and manage a review process of potential cadres.

L-480 – Develop and maintain courseware, for mid to upper level leaders in the wildland fire service, in order to promote the personal leadership skills necessary for influencing others and providing strategic direction in complex organizational settings. Individual in this role may initiate task teams to conduct evaluations, make revisions, and manage a review process of potential cadres.

L-580 Steering Committee Chair – Develop and manage continuing education opportunities, for senior level leaders in the wildland fire service, in order to foster the exchange of knowledge and experience in the art of leading organizations dealing with high-risk, complex emergency incidents. Individual in this role will provide leadership for an interagency steering committee of three to five individuals.

National Advanced Fire & Resource Institute Liaison – Provide national training center coordination for the L-480 course and the L-580 Steering Committee.

5. Membership

Unit membership will reflect a mix of people who are knowledgeable in the subject area of the Unit and who are from NWCG member agencies and organizations. With Branch Coordinator approval, other agencies or organizations that are not NWCG members may be selected for Unit membership.

The Leadership Subcommittee will approve the Unit Lead. The term of the Lead appointment will be indefinite.

The primary Unit member roster will be approved by the Leadership Subcommittee. The terms of each primary member will be indefinite. Technical advisors may be added as associate members with Unit Leader approval.

6. Organization

The Unit is under the direction of the Leadership Subcommittee.

The Unit may create task teams with concurrence of the Leadership Subcommittee chair.

7. Cooperation and Coordination

The Unit will work through the Leadership Subcommittee to ensure appropriate coordination, collaboration, and information sharing with other groups and organizations for the subject matter and specific tasks of the Unit.

8. Responsibility

The Unit is primarily responsible for redeeming the specific responsibilities of maintaining the L-series of NWCG training courses.

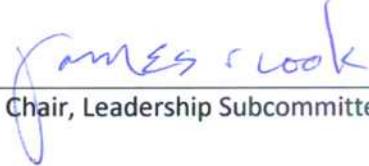
9. Charter Amendments

Changes to, or revocation of, this charter must follow the process outlined in the *NWCG Operating Principles and Guidelines*.

10. Charter Approval

This charter is effective as of the date of approval by the Chair of the Leadership Subcommittee and shall remain in effect until revised or revoked.

Approved:



Chair, Leadership Subcommittee



Date

Concur:



Chair, Operations and Workforce
Development Committee



Date