

NATIONAL WILDFIRE COORDINATING GROUP

Leadership Subcommittee

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 subcommittee 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.

Historically, most of the functional business areas to be addressed by this subcommittee were the responsibility of the former Leadership Committee of the Training Working Team.

2. Name

The name of this subcommittee, hereinafter referred to as the Subcommittee, is the Leadership Subcommittee (LSC) of the Operations and Workforce Development Committee.

3. Authority

The Subcommittee is established pursuant to the authorities granted in the Operations and Workforce Development Committee Charter.

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

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

4. Purpose

The Subcommittee is established to promote cultural change in the workforce in order to emphasize the vital importance of sound leadership concepts and practices in the wildland fire service by providing educational and developmental opportunities for leaders at all levels.

5. Membership

Subcommittee membership will reflect a mix of people who are knowledgeable in the subject area of the Subcommittee 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 Subcommittee membership.

The Operations and Workforce Development Committee will approve the Subcommittee Chair. The term of the Chair appointment will be 2 years and may be extended at the discretion of the Operations and Workforce Development Committee.

The primary Subcommittee member roster will be approved by the Operations and Workforce Development Committee. The terms of each primary member will be 2 years and may be extended at the discretion of the Operations and Workforce Development Committee. Technical advisors may be added as associate members with Chair approval.

6. Organization

The Subcommittee is under the direction of the Operations and Workforce Development Committee.

The Subcommittee may create units and task teams.

7. Cooperation and Coordination

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

8. Responsibility

The Subcommittee is primarily responsible for providing overall management of the Wildland Fire Leadership Development Program.

Program efforts and products will adhere to the following guiding principles:

- Employ a common set of leadership values.
- Invest early in the career path.
- Utilize experiential learning methods.
- Emphasize decision-making skills.
- Encourage life-long students of leadership.
- Partner with outside expertise..

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 Operations and Workforce Development Committee and shall remain in effect until revised or revoked.

Approved:



Chair, Operations and Workforce
Development Committee

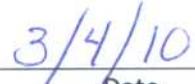


Date

Concur:



Branch Coordinator



Date