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To: Director, Bureau of Land Management
Director, National Park Service
Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs
Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation
Director, U.S. Geological Survey

From: Bryan Rice, Director – Office of Wildland Fire

Subject: Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Wildland Fire Resilient Landscapes Collaboratives
Funding Allocations

Purpose: This memorandum identifies the Wildland Fire Resilient Landscapes (WFRL) allocation amounts for collaboratives, activity guidance and reporting requirements.

Scope: This memorandum allocates FY 2017 funding levels, activity guidance and reporting requirements for WFRL collaboratives. These collaboratives represent broad geographic areas and several ecosystem types across the continental United States. Each collaborative has a primary agency identified from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), or the National Park Service (NPS), with the activity administered by the Office of Wildland Fire (OWF).

Time Frame: The WFRL allocations, activity guidance and reporting requirement covers FY 2017. These long-term collaboratives are identified for continued funding based on the availability of appropriations and successful implementation of stated objectives.

Policy: The collaboratives identified in Table 1 are approved for FY 2017 funding. All collaboratives are required to continue distinct project code(s). The code(s) will be provided to OWF and will be trackable in the Financial Business Management System.

OWF Policy Memorandum 2015-004, dated March 23, 2015 remains the primary guidance for the Wildland Fire Resilient Landscapes pilot activity.

An updated Annual Accomplishment Reporting template will be distributed to the collaboratives by July 31, 2017. The completed template, with lead agency assistance, must

be returned to OWF by November 1, 2016. The primary agency for each collaborative is listed in Table 1.

Table 1. Lead agency for Wildland Fire Resilient Landscapes Collaboratives.

Lead Agency	Wildland Fire Resilient Landscapes Collaboratives
Bureau of Indian Affairs	Santa Clara Mesa
Bureau of Land Management	Bi-State Sage-Grouse
	Bruneau-Owyhee Sage-Grouse
	Southwest Colorado
	Utah Southern
National Park Service	Grant Grove
	Southern Arizona
	Valles Caldera
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	Greater Sheldon Hart Mountain
	Longleaf Pine-South Atlantic LCC

Annual accomplishment reports provide an opportunity for each collaborative to explain progress toward reaching their goals; list FY 2017 activities; report on leveraged funds, and the status of funds; update their partner list; and provide additional information related to FY 2017 accomplishments. Information from these reports will be used to assess and communicate the success of the WFRL activity by the Fire Resource Executive Committee and will inform FY 2018 funding decisions for each collaborative.

The \$10 million of Fuels Management funds in the parent account for the Resilient Landscapes collaboratives will be distributed for the projects as shown in Table 2.

Table 2. FY 2017 funding level by collaborative and agency.

Resilient Landscape Collaboratives FY2017 Funding Level	BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	Total
Bi-State		\$740,000			\$740,000
Bruneau-Owyhee		\$300,000			\$300,000
Grants Grove Peninsula				\$309,000	\$309,000
Greater Sheldon Hart Mountain	\$40,220	\$645,538	\$315,242		\$1,001,000
Longleaf Pine-South Atlantic		\$40,000	\$891,000	\$90,000	\$1,021,000
Santa Clara Pueblo	\$800,000				\$800,000
Southern Arizona	\$55,000	\$25,000		\$265,000	\$345,000
Southern Utah (Utah Southern)		\$3,218,000			\$3,218,000
Southwest Colorado		\$1,076,100	\$150,000	\$39,900	\$1,266,000
Valles Caldera				\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
TOTAL					\$10,000,000

All funds will be transferred to the lead agency and collaborating bureaus. Bureaus will be notified of the Treasury transaction numbers when available.

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