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Subject: Flight Following within the State of Nevada

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Discussion: The National Flight Following Frequency is used to monitor interagency fleet and contract aircraft. All aircraft conducting agency flights should establish/terminate flight following and confirm Automated Flight Following (AFF) on the National Flight Following frequency. Aviation resources responding to Nevada incidents statewide or transitioning through Nevada need to be aware that the **national flight following frequency (168.650 Tone 110.9 RX/TX) does not function in some areas of Nevada.** Resource orders and dispatch forms shall reflect this and will ensure local area repeater frequencies are included on all resources orders to aid in flight following.

All Interagency Dispatch Centers/offices will monitor the National Flight Following frequency at all times. Nevada Dispatch Centers lacking the use of the National Flight Following frequency will monitor all local frequencies, including **Air Guard**, **168.625 Tone 110.9 TX** to ensure complete flight following coverage.

The National Flight Following frequency is to be used for flight following, dispatch, or redirection of aircraft. No other use is authorized.

Positive communication is critical to the safety of aviation operations. Please ensure all aviation resources responding to an incident within Nevada possess the proper frequency for flight following. If you have any questions concerning Nevada frequency management, contact the Nevada BLM Radio Telecommunications Manager, Dalton Black 775-861-6409 or the Nevada BLM State Aviation Manager, Alec Goicoechea, 775-748-4059.

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