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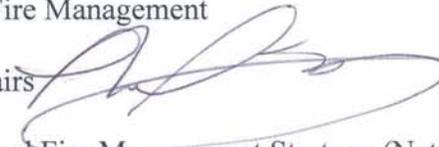
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Memorandum

To: All Regional Directors
Attention: Forestry/Wildland Fire Management

From: Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs 

Subject: Release of the Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy (National Strategy)

On April 9, Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell and Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack, released The National Strategy: The Final Phase in the Development of the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy (National Strategy).

The National Strategy is a national strategic direction, providing a framework for planning and implementation at various scales and across all-lands, jurisdictions, and interests. Opportunities were utilized to leverage and extend our capabilities to prepare for, respond to, and recover from wildland fire.

Collaborators in this effort, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), and Tribal programs worked with state, local government, federal, private property owners, and public stakeholders to achieve our goals to restore and maintain resilient landscapes. The National Strategy will begin collaboration for preparing our communities so we can live with and withstand a wildfire without loss of life and property.

Wildland fire threatens trust acres and our valuable natural resources every year. With this National Strategy, we can move forward with our partners to ensure our priorities and values are secure for our future generations.

In closing, please read the attached memorandum dated April 9, 2014, from Assistant Secretary – Policy Management and Budget, Rhea Suh, outlining the implementation of the National Strategy.

Attachment