











National Interagency Fire Center 3833 South Development Avenue Boise, ID 83705

Dear Colleagues:

The Pulaski Award nomination process is open. We invite you to review the criteria and submit a nomination reflecting the accomplishments of our nation's finest. The Pulaski Award is an annual, national award for outstanding contributions to wildland firefighting from America's wildland firefighters.

The award is presented on the recommendation of the fire directors located at the National Interagency Fire Center. The Pulaski is a half-axe/half-hoe tool uniquely designed for wildland firefighting. It was named after a forest ranger who led a crew through thick smoke, heat, and flames to the safety of a nearby mineshaft during the Montana/Idaho inferno of 1910.

CRITERIA

- 1. The Pulaski Award recognizes groups, not individuals.
- 2. The group must be a federal, state, tribal, local government, or cooperating organization.
- 3. Nominations must show outstanding successful performance in any of the following areas:
 - a. Interagency collaboration, cooperation, and coordination.
 - b. Safety of wildland firefighters or the American public during a wildfire.
 - c. Outstanding group performance in fire management and fire operations activities.
 - d. Outstanding performance on a wildland fire management project or activity.
 - e. Development of partnerships or communication tools.
- 4. Nominations should be in letter format, no more than two pages.
- 5. The person submitting the nomination must include their name, address, and phone number.













NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS

WHO: Nominations may be submitted by any individual, business, government, or non-profit organizations at any location or organization level, and address least one of the five criteria listed on page 1.

WHERE: Nominations may be mailed to:

National Interagency Fire Center Pulaski Award Nominations, FA-200 3833 South Development Avenue Boise, ID 83705

Nomination letters may be scanned and e-mailed to rbruck@blm.gov.

WHEN: Nominations must be received by February 25, 2022.

WHAT: The Pulaski Award itself, a 30-inch bronze statue created by Larry Nola, is a model of one of three 8-foot statues of firefighters placed at the Wildland Firefighters Monument in Boise. The statue will reside with the winning organization until the next year's winner is announced.

MORE INFORMATION: If you have any questions, please contact Robin White, 208-631-7823 or by e-mail <u>robin.white@bia.gov</u>.

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