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Memorandum

To: All Regional Directors
Attention: All Agency Superintendents
Regional Fire Management Officers
Agency Fire Management Officers
Branch Chief, Branch of Wildland Fire Management

From: Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs

Subject: Freezing Movement of Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Wildland Fire Engine Property

Purpose: To update its engine allocation model, the BIA, Branch of Wildland Fire Management (Branch), is implementing a one year freeze on all movement of its wildland fire engine property.

Background: The Branch assigns preparedness-funded wildland fire engines using a Fire Management Program Analysis Allocation Model developed in 2005. This model and the distribution of the Bureau's engine fleet is now out of date.

In order to account for and perform a needs assessment that will assist with accurately realign the distribution of the Bureau's engine fleet, the Bureau must freeze all engine property movement for one year.

Policy: Effective immediately, all BIA wildland fire engines are to remain at their assigned units as documented in the 2005 Allocation Model until the Branch can assess the location, type, need and staffing capacity of the unit's wildland fire management program. The Branch will not permit any property changes until this assessment is complete.

The freeze will not affect the engine replacement cycle.

To request a listing of the 2005 Engine Allocation data, contact Jacqueline C. Martin at (208) 387-5576 or email Jacquelinec.Martin@bia.gov.

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