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## Memorandum

To: All Regional Directors  
Attention: Forestry/Fire Management, Regional Human Resources

From: Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs 

Subject: Tribal Resource Management Initiative Implementation Update

This memorandum is to provide an update on the planning sessions held between the Division of Forestry and Wildland Fire Management Central Office, Regional Forestry and Wildland Fire staff, and Human Resources on the FY 2015 Tribal Resource Management Initiative (TRM).

First, we want to thank you and your Forestry and Wildland Fire staff for their participation on the conference calls. Their contribution is vital for successful implementation and continued planning for the TRM initiative. The TRM, proposed in the President's FY 2015 budget, is a tremendous opportunity to promote the Wildland Fire Program across Indian Country.

The TRM will provide an opportunity to advance BIA and Tribal workforce development in addition to strengthen administrative support for the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and tribally managed Wildland Fire Management (WFM) programs. The TRM will also allow investment in our future leaders and enhance fire management functional areas to improve our capability to manage wildland fire across the country.

In closing, Central Office will continue to plan for the TRM initiative. Timely implementation is vital to successfully hire additional staff and gain the benefits of TRM in FY 2015. Once a definite increase of BIA WFM appropriation is certain, you will be notified of any staffing increases in your Region and a budget allocation plan.

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