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To: Deputy Director, Assistant Directors, State Directors  
From: Director, Office of Fire and Aviation  
Subject: National Fire and Aviation Conference

The National Fire and Aviation Conference will be held December 1 through December 3, 1998. The conference will be held at Cavanaugh's, 1415 Fifth Avenue, Seattle, Washington.

A copy of the agenda is attached. The first day's agenda will include a Fire Science and Technology panel discussion moderated by Director Pat Shea as well as a discussion of international activities. Days two and three will be devoted to fire and aviation operations, fire policy, safety, training and other program support issues.

You may make reservations by calling 1-800-325-4000 or 206-971-8000. A block of rooms has been reserved; please refer to the "BLM Fire and Aviation Conference" when making your reservations. The rate will be \$116/night single, inclusive of lodging tax. Cavanaugh's is located 16 miles from the airport in the downtown area and may be reached via taxi (\$30), Grayline Airporter bus service (\$7.50 one way/\$13 round trip), or Shuttle Express Van Service (\$15 per person). Self-service parking is available if you are driving to the conference.

An ice breaker is planned for Monday evening from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. On Tuesday night awards will be presented at a no host get together from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

If you have any comments or questions on the conference or the agenda, please call Ron Dunton at 208-387-5154.

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1 - Attachment

1 - Agenda for National Fire and Aviation Conference (3 pp.)

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# NATIONAL FIRE AND AVIATION CONFERENCE

Seattle, Washington

December 1-3, 1998

**December 1, 1998**

**Coordinator: Ron Dunton**

8:00 - 8:15 a.m.	Welcome	
8:15 - 8:30 a.m.	Overview and Conference Objectives	
8:30 - Noon	Fire Science and Technology Panel Discussion	
	Moderator: Pat Shea, BLM Director	
	Panel Members:	
	Dr. Rick Miller, Oregon State University/Eastern Oregon Agriculture Research Center, Burns - "Northern Great Basin Fire Ecology"	
	Dr. Bob Lee, University of Washington, Seattle - "Fire Science vs. Social Science"	
	Roger Ottmar, Pacific Northwest Research Station, Seattle - "Wildfire and Prescribed Fire Smoke Emissions, the Tradeoffs"	
	Colin Hardy, Rocky Mountain Research Station, Intermountain Fire Science Lab, Missoula - "Ecosystems at Risk/National Fuels Mapping Project"	
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch	
1:00 - 1:45 p.m.	View from the Top	Director Pat Shea
1:45 - 2:45 p.m.	Our Changing World	Les Rosenkrance
2:45 - 3:00 p.m.	Break	
3:00 - 4:45 p.m.	International Discussion	Les Rosenkrance Tom Frey Pat Kidder Al Alvarez Roy Johnson
4:45 p.m.	Adjourn	
6:00 - 7:00 p.m.	Awards Presentation	

**December 2, 1998**

**Coordinator: Lee Englesby**

8:00 - 8:30 a.m.	Fire Planning Summary
<b>8:00 - Noon</b>	<b>Aviation - NAO/SAM Technical Meeting</b>
8:30 - 9:00 a.m.	Fire Policy Implementation
9:00 - 9:30 a.m.	Allocation of Resources
9:30 - 10:00 a.m.	Line Officer Team
10:00 - 10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Interagency Operations (Service First)
11:15 - 12:30 p.m.	Lunch
12:30 - 1:00 p.m.	TARMS
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	Allocation of Forces
2:00 - 2:30 p.m.	Resource Sharing
2:30 - 2:45 p.m.	Break
2:45 - 3:30 p.m.	Resource Sharing (continued)
3:30 - 4:00 p.m.	Aviation Operations
4:00 - 4:15 p.m.	Aviation Management Council
4:15 - 5:00 p.m.	Smokejumper Operations
5:00 p.m.	Adjourn
5:30 - 6:30 p.m.	2823 Discussion with Budget and SFMO's

**Thursday, December 3, 1998**

**Coordinator: Skip Scott**

8:00 - 9:00 a.m.	Training Training Academy Training Committee Prescribed Fire Training Centers
9:00 - 9:30 a.m.	Radios and RAWS
9:30 - 10:00 a.m.	EEO
10:00 - 10:15 a.m.	Break
10:15 - 11:15 a.m.	Resource Ordering and Status System
11:15 - 12:30 p.m.	Lunch
12:30 - 1:30 p.m.	Personnel Standard Position Descriptions Medicals/Physicals National Office Role
1:30 - 2:00 p.m.	Fire Retirement
2:00 - 2:15 p.m.	Break
2:15 - 3:00 p.m.	Tri-Data and Safety
3:00 - 3:45 p.m.	Wrap Up
3:45 p.m.	Adjourn