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Subject: Technical Fire Management Training Student Selections and Tuition Payments

Many fine employees applied to attend the Technical Fire Management program this year. Unfortunately, limitations on budgets and classroom space constrain the number of people who can participate each year. People who were not selected are encouraged to apply again next year. Students who will be attending will receive further information about program participation from the vendor, Washington Institute. The following is a list of BLM employees who have been selected to attend the upcoming session of the Technical Fire Management program. Congratulations to the following individuals!

Tamala DeFries	Alaska Fire Service
Quincell Hubbard	Lower Snake River District, Idaho
Paul Bannister	Las Vegas Field Office, Nevada
Jeffrey Duff	Central California Region, California
Ken Hood	Folsom Field Office, California
Ted Mason	National Interagency Fire Center
Leanne Mruzik	Medford Field Office, Oregon
Tom Mathews	Lakeview Field Office, Oregon
Ken Schmid	Lewistown Field Office, Montana
Jessica Wade	Salt Lake Field Office, Utah

The BLM National Fire and Aviation Training Support Group at the National Interagency Fire Center will complete a single SF-182 (Request, Authorization, Agreement and Certification of Training form) for all participants in Technical Fire Management session 15, which starts in October 1999. This SF-182 will cover payments for tuition to Washington Institute, the vendor for Technical Fire Management Training. The billing from the Washington Institute will come to the BLM at NIFC, and will be forwarded to Denver for payment. This will provide a single point of contact for the Field and State Offices, the Washington Institute and the National Business Center regarding payment issues.

If you have any further questions regarding the Technical Fire Management program, please contact Larry Sutton at (208) 387-5374.

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