# National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

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To: Geographic Area Coordinating Group Chairs

From: National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group

Subject: Management of Suppression Resources

This memo replaces NMAC Correspondence M2024-15 and is in effect until rescinded.

Due to the unprecedented fire environment forecasted through mid-October, increased initial attack and growth on existing fires, competition for resources including a growing commitment of resources to Hurricane Helene, and the seasonal reduction in firefighting resources, the National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group (NMAC) provides the following direction effective immediately, in addition to language in the National Interagency Standards for Resource Mobilization:

## **Interagency Hotshot, Type 2IA and Type 2 Crews (contract and agency)**

- NMAC will manage all crew assignments.
- Crews currently committed within the Geographic Area (GA) may not be reassigned internally without prior NMAC approval.
- Crews may be assigned internally for initial attack but may be reassigned by NMAC as needed.
- Crew extensions will be considered to complete operational objectives.
- Please coordinate with the NMAC crew coordinator or the National Interagency Coordination Center (NICC) Coordinator on Duty (COD).

#### **Complex Incident Management Teams**

- NMAC will manage all Complex Incident Management Team (CIMTs) assignments, including replacement CIMTs.
- Contact your NMAC liaison if support is needed for an emerging incident.

#### Additional information and considerations

 NMAC may exercise its delegated authority to manage all suppression resources to meet national priorities.















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- Requesting units should not submit resource orders restricting asset ownership, e.g. federal only.
- Receiving units should not restrict portal to portal assets.
- Drawdown resources may be reallocated by National Interagency Coordination Center (NICC) under the direction of NMAC to meet higher priorities.
- NMAC may direct GAs to make resources available for National Ready Reserve.
- Resources available for assignment should be made available national.
- Resources ordered on severity may be evaluated or reprioritized.

## NMAC resource allocation priorities:

- 1. Suppression
- 2. All-Hazard
- 3. Prescribed Fire
- 4. International Support

The NMAC urges extreme caution in executing new prescribed fires in the current environment and would strongly caution against any reliance on national resources to achieve Rx objectives; new ignitions may pose a risk of escape due to current weather and fuels conditions which would further strain the availability of national resources.

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Cc: Incident Command Advisory Council

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