## **DNRC MEMORANDUM**

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TO: ALL PRESCRIBED FIRE GUIDELINES MANUAL HOLDERS

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SUBJECT: TRANSMITTAL OF FINAL 400 MANUAL

The attached is the FINAL 400 Prescribed Fire Guidelines Manual. Thank you for your review and comments on the draft. This manual and its appendices should replace previous editions of the 400 Manual in their entirety. **Please replace the copy in your manual with the attached copy**.

The following is a summary of the major changes to the manual:

- Change Burn Type designation to Complex, Intermediate, and Non-complex burns to be consistent with Interagency Prescribed Fire nomenclature.
- Clarify when a Burn Plan is required and when it is not.
- Modify the Prescribed Fire Burn Plan template and the review and approval procedures. A
  Burn Plan short form has been developed for non-complex burns.
- Modify the Burn Boss Qualifications to be consistent with the NWCG Wildland Fire Qualification System Guide (PMS 310-1) and add training requirements for DNRC noncomplex burns burn bosses.
- Modify the requirements for using prescribed fire on State Land Lease Renewals.

The one issue that has not been resolved is the reimbursement for the costs of suppressing a prescribed fire intentionally lit by DNRC that escapes control. The policy that has been in force for many years remains in place and is restated in this version of the 400 Manual.

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cc: Ted Mead