



NATIONAL WILDFIRE COORDINATING GROUP

NWCG Memorandum 22-007

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TO: Mr. Richard G. Kidd IV, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Environment and Energy Resilience (DASD E&ER)

FROM: Shane McDonald, Chair, NWCG Executive Board

SUBJECT: Department of Defense NWCG Membership

Purpose: The purpose of this memorandum is to formally welcome the Department of Defense (DoD) as a member of NWCG.

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Issue/Action: The DoD joined NWCG as a primary member on December 1, 2022. DoD manages 1 million acres for wildland fire annually across its 27 million acres of training and testing lands. Including DoD as an NWCG member, is a significant step to enhancing interagency collaboration among wildland fire resources.

Anne Jewell will serve as the DoD appointed member on the NWCG Executive Board. The NWCG Executive Board looks forward to working with Anne and DoD to provide collaborative leadership, strategic direction, and executive oversight to accomplish the NWCG mission.

Background: The NWCG Executive Board thanks the DoD for the presentation on 11/17/2021 outlining the DoD wildland fire program and the benefits of DoD membership in NWCG. Participating agencies subsequently assessed DoD NWCG membership then, after assuring all parties had adequately communicated within their respective chains of command, the NWCG Executive Board collectively agreed on DoD becoming an NWCG primary member.

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