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**National Interagency Aviation Committee
NIAC**

IABS MEMORANDUM # 20-02

To: Chair, National Interagency Aviation Committee (NIAC)

From: Chair, Interagency Airtanker Base Subcommittee (IABS)

Date: 02/13/2020

Re: Additional volunteers needed

Purpose: To request assistance from NIAC to solicit additional volunteers for IABS units.

Background: Per the IABS SOPs, the Chair/Co-Chair can create units or task groups to work on specific projects or areas of concern. There have been 3 units for the last few years and it has become clear that there is a need for two additional units.

IABS has created the Airtanker Base Operational Risk Management Unit (ABORMU) to promote and facilitate airtanker base risk management principles that help identify hazards, assess risks, and develop successful mitigations to reduce risks at airtanker bases.

IABS has also created the Single Engine Airtanker Unit (SEATU) to ensure the SEAT program is represented appropriately while being absorbed by the airtanker base program as a whole.

We need an avenue to request additional members to fill the new units and help supplement the existing units that are understaffed. This will allow for succession planning as members of the units and IABS move on.

Issue/Action Requested: Assist in soliciting new members for the IABS and its units.

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Attachments: IABS Unit Sign-Ups