



## **National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG)**

### **Incident Business Committee (IBC) IBC Memo 21-01**

**June 1, 2021**

**TO:** Geographic Area Incident Business Committees  
Geographic Area Coordination Center Managers

**FROM:** Dave Burley, Chairperson, NWCG Interagency Incident Business Committee

**SUBJECT:** NATIONAL EMERGENCY RENTAL VEHICLE (NERV) PROGRAM UPDATE

The NERV program is a Blanket Purchase Agreement (BPA) that provides emergency rental vehicle capacity for interagency incident response. This program is intended for:

- Incident responders who require 4x4, off-road vehicles with heavy-duty tires to meet the needs of the assignment.
- Incident responders who are not self-sufficient with an agency-provided travel card, such as AD employees.
- Incident pool vehicles that will be managed by a mobilization center, dispatch center, ground support unit, etc. for active or imminent incidents. This BPA is not to be used for long-term (over 120 days) field-unit needs.

Use of the NERV program in 2020 far exceeded the intended purpose identified above. The IBC has finalized recommendations on a National Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) document to ensure proper authorization and accountability for use of the NERV program. Attached you will find this SOP, as well as an updated Traveler Rental Vehicle Checklist and Payment Package Cover Sheet.

The attachments and memo can be found by following the links at

<https://www.nwcg.gov/committees/incident-business-committee/correspondence>.

Please share this updated information with dispatchers, incident business personnel, and other agency contacts and field units.

*/s/ Dave Burley*

Dave Burley, Chair IBC

Date: June 1, 2021

Attachments:

National NERV SOP

Traveler Rental Vehicle Checklist

NERV Payment Coversheet