



National Wildfire Coordinating Group Incident and Position Standards Committee

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To: Wildland Fire Community
From: Michael Froelich, Chair, Incident and Position Standards Committee
Subject: Transition Plan for Implementation of Updates to the Engine Boss, Single Resource (ENGB) Position

Purpose: The position qualification pathway for ENGB has been updated based on analysis conducted during the Incident Performance and Training Modernization (IPTM) effort.

Issue: Specifically, this action would update the following:

- In January 2026:
 - Add to Other Training Which Supports Knowledge and Skills: S-112, Introduction to Chainsaw Operations; S-211, Portable Pumps and Water Use; S-215, Fire Operations in the Wildland/Urban Interface; N-9018, Engine Operator
- In January 2027:
 - Add to Required Training: S-211, Portable Pumps and Water Use; S-229, Single Resource Boss (*under development at the release of this memo*); S-231, Engine Boss (Single Resource) (*under development at the release of this memo*)

Historical recognition for ENGB would be applied to all currently qualified responders. Trainees will be required to complete the identified additional required training upon release of the January 2027 update to the 310-1 prior to certification.

These updates will be made in the *NWCG Standards for the Wildland Fire Positions Qualifications*, PMS 310-1 and the *NWCG Wildland Fire Position Qualification Flowchart*, PMS 308 in January 2026.

Background: Through the IPTM analysis process, the NWCG Incident Operations Subcommittee has approved the change in the qualification pathway for ENGB.

Contact: For additional information please contact your IPSC agency representative. The member roster can be found at <https://www.nwcg.gov/committee/incident-and-position-standards-committee/roster>.

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