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MEMORANDUM

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To: NWCG Committee Chairs

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National IC/AC Council Chair

From: NWCG Chair Clob Bill burn

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Subject: Annual Fireline Safety Refresher Implementation Options

This memorandum is intended to inform Annual Fireline Safety Refresher (Fire Refresher) course facilitators that effective February 2012, there are now two media options available for implementing Fire Refresher training. In addition to the traditional DVD format, Fire Refresher modules are also available online at the following website: http://www.nifc.gov/wfstar/index.html. With the addition of the web modules, facilitators now have the option of building their own presentations from new and past modules.

Three primary concerns of the Fire Refresher have been addressed by developing a website to host the modules: 1) keeping up with technology as it advances; 2) as different geographic areas need to implement the fire refresher at different times of the year, the need to wait for the new DVD to be developed has been eliminated; and 3) ability to tailor the Fire Refresher to the specific needs of various target audiences.

All participants in Fire Refresher must still abide by their individual agency Refresher training policies.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this action, please address them to Scott Anderson, NWCG Training Branch, Refresher Unit Leader, at s80ander@blm.gov or (208) 387-5319.

cc: NWCG Executive Board Program Management Unit (PMU) Budget Advisory Unit (BAU) Chair Roy Johnson, OWFC Deputy Director Rod Bloms, OWFC Program Analyst Renee Beams, GATR Chair Kim Christensen, NICC Center Manager Scott Anderson, Refresher Unit Leader