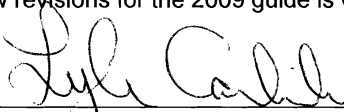


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This guide is a program reference that documents policy for management and operations of the Wildland Fire and Aviation Management Program for the Bureau of Indian Affairs. Information presented here is based on current policy and provides program guidance to ensure safe, consistent, efficient and effective Wildland Fire and Aviation Operations.

The 2008 Wildland Fire and Aviation Program Management and Operations Guide replaces the 2007 version of this guide. Many sections of the 2008 guide have been updated to reflect current policy, business practices and operations for the Bureau of Indian Affairs Wildland Fire and Aviation Management Program.

This Wildland Fire and Aviation Program Management and Operations Guide will be revised annually. To facilitate revision of next year's Guide, Page 19-1 should be used to submit suggested additions, revisions, and comments. Please feel free to provide comments throughout the year. The deadline for consideration of new revisions for the 2009 guide is October 1st, 2008.

  
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