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**To:** Regional Foresters, Station Directors, Area Director, IITF Director, Director LEI,  
FAM Assistant Directors, Aviation Managers and Users

The Forest Service (FS) National Aviation Management and Safety Plan (NAMSP) is approved.

The NAMSP will document Fire and Aviation Management (FAM) leaders' intent and describe authority, roles and responsibilities, programs, and activities. The NAMSP provides strategic and operational direction and guidance to each organizational level. Individual regions and units may supplement the NAMSP when needed. The NAMSP is supplemental to policy and does not replace the FS [Manual 5700](#) and [Handbook 5709.16](#).

All content in the new NAMSP is effective now. This dynamic document will be updated annually. A copy of this letter will be included in the front of the NAMSP.

The NAMSP is available on the FAM website at [www.fs.fed.us/fire/aviation](http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/aviation) or the Aviation Safety Center website [www.fs.fed.us/fire/av\\_safety](http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/av_safety).

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