

**Northwest Area - Interagency Master Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement (General):**

A cooperative agreement between the U. S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management, Oregon and Washington; National Park Service, Pacific West Region; Bureau of Indian Affairs, Portland Area; U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Region; and the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, Pacific Northwest and Northern Regions; the State of Oregon, Department of Forestry; and the State of Washington, Department of Natural Resources, signed and dated October 14, 1998.

The purpose of this Master Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement is to document the commitment of the Parties to this Agreement to improve their efficiencies by facilitating the exchange of personnel, equipment, supplies, services, and funds among the agencies.

The Pacific Northwest Wildfire Coordinating Group (PNWCG) provides coordination and recommendations for all interagency fire management activities in Oregon and Washington. Annual Operating Plans may be developed at the Northwest, State, or local area level and will tier to this Agreement.

The Agreement is available through the PNWCG's website:

<http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/fire/pnwcg/> (select Library and download agreement)