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To: Regional Fire Management Officers

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Subject: Clarification of Training Requirements for the Security Specialist Level One Position

The Security Specialist Level One (SEC1) position is used in wildland fire incidents to provide support in carrying out and enforcing road and area closures on federal lands, to provide security at incident command posts and occasionally to provide investigative resources for crimes which occur on an incident. The position is assigned by and reports to the incident's Security Manager.

The 2015 Federal Wildland Fire Qualifications Supplement lists completion of "Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) Criminal Investigator or Land Management Police Training Programs" as a training requirement for the Security Specialist Level One (SEC1) position. The intent of this statement is to ensure the individual filling the position holds a commission as a federal law enforcement officer.

The National Park Service allows seasonal employees to attend an NPS Law Enforcement Training Center (LETC) approved seasonal law enforcement academy. Successful completion of this academy makes an employee eligible to obtain a Type II commission. Given the intent outlined in paragraph one, and the authorities given an NPS employee with a Type II commission, the NPS will accept the successful completion of a seasonal law enforcement academy as meeting the training requirement for a SEC1. Questions about this clarification may be directed to Jim Shultz at 208 387 5215.

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