

**NWCG CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT ISSUE PAPER #53  
PROPOSAL TO REQUIRE S-260 FOR CERTAIN ICS POSITIONS**

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**BACKGROUND/CURRENT STATUS**

Incident business management issues are growing more and more complex and impact every functional area of the Incident Command System (ICS). Currently, in the Wildland and Prescribed Fire Qualification System Guide (PMS 310-1), S-260 is not required for any positions. This course is valuable for all personnel seeking knowledge of incident business management.

**ISSUE**

Given the new political spotlight on incident management and the emphasis on cost containment, the revision group of S-260, Interagency Incident Business Management, proposes to require this course for certain ICS positions.

**RECOMMENDATION**

The revision group of S-260 and the Incident Business Practices Working Team recommends that this course be required training for all single resource bosses, finance section positions and unit leader positions in all functional areas of the ICS.

**APPROVED** **DENIED**  
(circle one)

**SIGNATURE**

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