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To: NFFPC Commissioners, Working Teams, Cooperators, Invited Guests From: Tom Parent – Executive Director Subject: 2018 Commissioners' Meeting

The 69th Annual Commission meeting of the Northeast Forest Fire Protection Commission (NFFPC) is being hosted by the State of Rhode Island on August 1 and 2, 2018. The meeting will be conducted at the Hilton Providence in Providence, RI. Please note the Commission meeting is scheduled for two separate days. The Operations Committee will be meeting a full day on July 31 and the Commission field trip/tour will be in the afternoon of August 1. Commissioners are always welcome to the Operations Committee meeting if interested.

Attached are documents providing meeting information and registration materials. They are being sent electronically to all Commissioners, and NFFPC Working Teams. Please note the deadline of July 2 to register with the compact and to make your motel reservations. Spouses, children and guests are also welcome and can be registered using the attached forms.

A proxy form is attached which needs to be completed and returned to me for commissioners who can't attend. The proxy form allows commissioners that are present at the meeting to have a vote. A member state/province is required to have at least one commissioner present and be authorized to cast a proxy vote for at least one other commissioner in order to have a valid vote. As approved by the Commission in 2012, a commissioner may also participate and vote by phone, provided that at least one commissioner from the appropriate state/province is physically present.

If you have any problems or questions concerning this registration process, payment options, or anything else, please let me know. Also, please feel free to send this information to any local cooperators that you would like to invite.

We look forward to your attendance at this year's meeting located in the heart of downtown in beautiful Providence, RI. Thank you for your time and interest in Northeast Forest Fire Compact operations.

COMPACT MEMBERS....Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, Quebec, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Newfoundland & Labrador, Prince Edward Island, US Forest Service, US Fish & Wildlife Service, US National Park Service, FDNY