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## Memorandum

To: Designated Agency Safety and Health Official (DASHO), Department of the Interior

From: *for* Designated Agency Safety and Health Official (DASHO), National Park Service  
/s/ **Donald G. Coelho**

Subject: Transmittal of the Daniel Holmes Fatality Investigation Report, Management Review and Corrective Action Plan

In accordance with Departmental Manual, Part 485, Chapter 7, this memorandum transmits the fatality Investigation Report, Management Review and Corrective Action Plan to the Department of the Interior Designated Agency Safety and Health Official (DASHO). Firefighter Daniel Holmes died on October 2, 2004, when the top of a burning snag fell, striking him on the head resulting in fatal injuries. The accident occurred on the Grant West Prescribed Burn located in Kings Canyon National Park.

An interagency Serious Accident Investigation Team (SAIT) was mobilized immediately after the accident occurred. Subsequently, a Board of Review (BOR) was convened to evaluate the Holmes Investigation Report submitted by the SAIT. The BOR reviewed the findings, developed recommendations and prepared a corrective action plan. Ten specific corrective actions were identified with all action items being concluded by October 1, 2005.

As specified in the Departmental Manual, the National Park Service (NPS) will notify the Departmental DASHO when all of the corrective actions have been implemented. If you have any questions please contact Dick Powell, Chief NPS Division of Risk Management at 202-513-7218.

Attachment