NWCG Executive Board
Meeting Minutes – 15 April 2015

NWCG Participants	**Executive Board:** Dan Smith (Chair, NWCG), John Glenn, Vice-Chair (BLM), Shane Olpin for Frank Guzman (USFS), Chris Wilcox (FWS), Mark Koontz (NPS), Will May (IAFC). Not present: Aitor Bidaburu (USFA), Aaron Baldwin (BIA), Tim Sexton (RD&A), Rod Bloms (DOI OWF Liaison), Jim Erickson (ITC). **Program Management Unit:** Elaine Waterbury (Planning Branch Coordinator), Krysta Shultz (Executive Secretary), Tim Blake (Operations Branch Coordinator), Sean Cross (NWCG Staff Manager), Deb Fleming (Training Development Program Manager), Paul Schlobohm (NWCG FMB Liaison).
Other Participants	Christopher Algiere (Federal Outreach Lead, FirstNet), Chad Fisher (NPS Representative, Risk Management Committee), Mike Ellsworth (Chair, Training Committee), Jim Shultz (Co-Chair, Training Committee), Lou Ballard (FWS Fire Ecologist), Susie Stingley (NICC Center Manager), Chuck Wamack (NICC Assistant Center Manager), Bill Fletcher (NICC Assistant Center Manager)

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Item	Topic	Presenter	Action Taken
1	Welcome and Agenda Review	Paul Schlobohm	N/A
2	**Status Report:** FirstNet Briefing	Christopher Algiere	EB was briefed on FirstNet coverage objectives, conceptual design approach, network components and a nationwide approach for implementation.
3	**Request:** Proposed Tasking to OTC to Address Agency Administrator and FMO Minimum Wildland Fire Training including NWCG Fire Program Management (M-581) and the National and Local Fire Management Leadership courses.	Mike Ellsworth, Jim Shultz	Approved
4	**Request:** FY2015 Mid-Year Budget Review & Recommended Distribution of Funds	Elaine Waterbury	Approved
5	**Request:** Approval of Agency Employees as Fire Code Task Team Members	Elaine Waterbury	Conditional Approval 1. Task Incident Business Committee with the assignment. 2. Ask Ken Ockfen (Idaho Department of Lands) if IDL would like to have representation on the task team. Due: 20 May 2015. Lead: Elaine Waterbury.
6	**Request:** T2/T2IA Crew Analysis Tasking Close Out and Recommendation	Tim Blake	Approved EB to communicate via memorandum to the National Multi-Agency

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			Coordinating Group (NMAC) the results & recommendations from the T2/T2IA Crew Analysis. Due: 20 May 2015. Lead: Dan Smith
7	**Request:** Safety Zone Guidance and Ongoing Safety Zone Research	Tim Blake, Chad Fisher	Approved NWCG memo will be sent to the field.
8	**Request:** Proposed Tasking to NWCG Program Manager to conduct an assessment of the NWCG Training System and provide recommendations for improvement.	Sean Cross	Approved
9	**Request:** WFSTAR Tasking Close Out and Recommendation	Deb Fleming	Conditional Approval Update recommendations to include feedback from the EB; run by board prior to finalizing. Draft letter from EB to Task Team to close out the tasking. Due 20 May 2015. Lead: Deb Fleming.
10	**Request:** NIAC Recommendation to Establish a Dispatch Committee	Tim Blake	Decision postponed. Additional action requested. 1. Further clarify the roles and responsibilities of an NWCG dispatch committee and define how it would relate to NMAC, the GACCs, and the local dispatch centers. 2. Engage other stakeholders, such as the Interagency Dispatch Implementation Project, in this effort. Due 20 May 2015. Lead: Tim Blake.
11	**Status Report:** Evolving Incident Management (EIM) Update	N/A	Cancelled
12	**Status Report:** Update on the Interagency Fuels Treatment Decision Support System (IFTDSS) and Wildland Fire Decision Support System (WFDSS)	N/A	Cancelled
13	**Status Report:** NWCG Website Update	Tammy Denney	Presentation of the website included a walk through with a description of improvements and enhancements in anticipation of 01 June 2015 launch.
14	**Status Report:** Lightning Round Updates	All	N/A

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