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<p>IPSC - Update to NWCG Wildland Fire Risk and Complexity Assessment, PMS 236:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Changes incorporate Complex terminology, replacing Type 1 and 2. Edits are mainly clarifying system and how things are described. Discussed incorporation of “Organization” into publication title, however determined that the title will remain as is. 	<p>NWCG <i>Wildland Fire Risk Complexity Assessment</i> title will remain as is. Agreed to review at a future date as applicable.</p>
<p>IMT Course Steering Committee (IMTCSC) Monthly Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Numbering of S-320 assigned to Introduction to Incident Management Teams (IMTs) course. Alpha pilot course in June in Sacramento. Beta course in September in Madison, WI. 	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Operations Branch Director (OPBD):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Operations Section Chief Type 3 (OPS3) will not be included in the required experience as part of the qualification pathway to OPBD. Division/Group Supervisor (DIVS) will be required experience as part of the qualification requirements for OPBD. 	<p>Decision: Approved removing OPS3 from the qualification pathway to OPBD.</p>
<p>OSHA Emergency Response Standards Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DOI/USFS are providing comments on the proposed OSHA standards for Emergency Responders and is requesting that NWCG draft a position paper on the implications of NFPA standards. Would like to anchor to NWCG standards vs. adopting NFPA standards. Trying to communicate between federal agencies with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and federal wildland fire agencies. Emphasize that not all National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standards apply to wildland fire. 	<p>Kat Navarro to draft a comment letter from NWCG EB to OSHA broadly explaining the difference between structural and wildland needs for firefighters and the role that NWCG plays in the development of interagency standards. Letter will not highlight that</p>

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Want to raise awareness with non-federal partners to engage with OSHA for their feedback and comments. • Is it within NWCG’s purview to create new standards that NFPA does not address? Do current committee rosters have expertise to address these regulatory questions? Which of these would be involved? • Ask: Have NWCG submit a comment to OSHA on the document answering the question, “Are there standards for other ‘specialty or non-structural’ types of firefighting that OSHA should consider?” 	<p>NWCG becomes the clearing house for new standards development outside of our mission.</p>
<p>6MFS - 2024 Week of Remembrance Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Focus on Mendocino Complex for the week: “Honoring Through Learning.” • Topics focus on operational and/or human factors in fire response. • Addition of human elements fills a gap in the 6MFS library. • Adding room and encouragement for discussions and conversations. 	<p>N/A</p>
<p>EMC - NWCG Standards for Rapid Extraction Module Support (REMS), PMS 552:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final publication for review is provided with this month’s packet. Major edits are incorporated. • Request for a decision approving the publication will be on June’s EB agenda, unless major edits are identified. • Firescope met to adopt their REMS standards, which are closely aligned with PMS 552. • USFS AIMS and VIPR reps would work on a transition plan for REMS team contracting to be implemented in 2025. 	<p>N/A</p>
<p>LC - Paul Gleason Awards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 total nominations across three categories. 	<p>Support granted for the selections.</p>
<p>Training Development Criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Criteria developed in response to the Incident Performance and Training Modernization (IPTM) effort to develop criteria for the creation of training for incident positions. • Outlines guiding questions to support decisions on how to prioritize training projects. • Incident and Position Standards Committee (IPSC) and the Training Delivery Committee (TDC) support and will be involved throughout the process. 	
<p>IPTM Monthly Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26 positions are currently undergoing the IPTM process. • 65+ SMEs involved; findings from feedback survey and lessons learned are being compiled. • Exploring the balance between the effectiveness and cost of online vs in-person training. • More cost breakdowns and budget projections will be in the June IPTM report out. 	

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