



# PREDICTIVE SERVICES OVERSIGHT GROUP

## PSOG NOTES

July 8, 2022

1000-1100

Attendees		
<input type="checkbox"/> Chair: Hartman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FMB: Chad Fisher	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NMAC: McDonald
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Co-Chair: Tomaselli	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CGAC: Nuttall	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GACC CM: Tomaselli
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fire Management: Hinckley	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OWF: Fallon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PS Met: Nauslar/Strader
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PS FA: Gardunio	<input type="checkbox"/> PS Intel: SeLegue	<input type="checkbox"/> NWS:
<input type="checkbox"/> Science Advisor:	<input type="checkbox"/> Facilitator: Watts	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Note-taker: Sandoval
<b>Additional Attendees:</b> Shelby Law, Chuck Maxwell, Jennifer Croft, Kelly Castillo		

Topic	Presenter(s)	Purpose
Short-term Plan Update/NFDRS Transition	Nick Nauslar/Jennifer Croft	Discussion
Survey Update	Jim Tomaselli	Information
Intel Subcommittee Update	Phil SeLegue	Discussion
OIG/OWF RFI - Predictive Services Handbook	Nick Nauslar	Discussion
Roundtable Discussion	All	Discussion

### Schedule:

### Next Meeting:

#### 1. Short-term Plan Update:

- 1 new item - Southern Area updating 7-day with Chuck
- 7-day working well, no major issues.
- Northwest still making progress on their transition

#### 2. NFDRS Transition:

- Working w/ GA leads for last 7 years
- Dispatch heaviest user on WIMS outputs
- 95% of local completed transition (state, county, DoD are holdouts)
- Legacy not available to use for determining outcomes
- Fire Danger Subcommittee meeting Thursday to discuss next steps
- Some are still running legacy
- can we put legacy in all stations to support national products? Should we? Step backwards.
- 1600 outliers not on board--how do we get them transitioned so that we are all in alignment? Is there a cutoff date?
  - At unit level, it is an operational decision--but will not be able to comply with Red Book, NWCG until they transition
  - Trying to outline clear paths forward for the outliers
- Can we identify which agency is responsible for those not transitioning to apply some authority?
  - Has been provided via FDSC as well as through GAs
  - agencies need to handle it





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- can you provide the list to NMAC/PSOG as well as the list of the GACC leads?
- national products still running legacy
- need to be on the same page with data standards
- May 31<sup>st</sup> should have removed all legacy from calculations and then archive process was supposed to start
- only thing to do for national products is “contingency” as they are not ready
- long term solution - reliance on skillsets for this kind of product -- cannot continue to have so much turnover, collateral duties for these people (typically dispatch), not staffing appropriately with the right expertise
- FEMS (Fire Environment Mapping System) is the future
- Shelby is one of the business leads for FEMS - multi-agency group working on this
  - would like to get on the PSOG agenda to present FEMS info
- Where is the capability to close the discrepancy in transitioned vs. not - local/agency responsibility
  - Expectation was that Geographic leads would coordinate to make it happen
  - May not have been interpreted by leaders as a critical task
  - Main feedback is “I’m waiting for leadership to tell me it’s ok”
- FDSC and PSOG will work together to push this
- 1. Jennifer will provide list of GACC leads**
- 2. Jennifer will provide agency compliance list**
- 3. Jennifer will provide FDSC memo if/when it is generated**
- 4. Jim will get Jennifer on PSOG for an update at a future meeting**
- 5. Jim will get Shelby on PSOG for a FEMS briefing at a future meeting**

## **2. Survey Update:**

NTR

## **3. Intel Subcommittee Update:**

- NMAC decided to put them under NCCM instead of PSOG
- Shane will ask NMAC

## **4. OIG/OWF RFI - Predictive Services Handbook**

- OIG and OWF asking why predictive services handbook has not been updated since 2009?
  - draft came out in 2016, but nothing approved/formalized
  - confusion on how to have it formally published
  - can we put together a working group (feelers out to field for some help)?
  - Nick will work on getting a group together**





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## **4. Roundtable:**

**Kelly:** NTR

**Jason:** both GAO and OIG have general interest in wildland fire - looking for simple reply

Example: *There have been several efforts updating the Predictive Services Handbook. Due to multiple updates to systems, applications, data, and products in succession, which require interagency coordination, there has not been a completed and released official update. Predictive Services is currently working through the process to complete an updated version.*

**Chad:** good discussion with Jennifer and important for the long-term plan

**Billy:** NTR

**Jennifer:** Jen Croft mentioned emails from her group--not hitting FWS

**Chuck:** NTR

**Shane:** Getting to next steps- communicate challenges, PSOG has the key role

**Nick:** NTR

**Jake:** Critical to identify who "leadership" is--make sure message is getting to right people

**Heidi:** NTR

## **Documents:**



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