

Airtanker Base Operations Unit Meeting Notes

Date and Time

April 16, 2025

Time: 1100-1200 PST

ABOU

Cadre (Agency/Name):	<small>check</small>	Cadre (Agency/Name)	<small>check</small>	Cadre (Agency/Name)	<small>check</small>
BLM – Angie Forbes	X	USFS – Jared Bohrman		USFS- Justin Bohannon	X
BLM- Melissa Fry	X	NASF – Josh Agustin	X	USFS- Cindy Matthews	X
USFS – Annie Johnson	X				

Associate Members (AM), Working Group Chairs (WGC), NWCG Representative

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USFS – Leslie Casavan (AM)		BLM – Kristina Curtis (AM)		NWCG – David Schultz	X
BLM – Jake Lloyd (WGC)		USFS- James Snell (WGC)		BLM – Mary Loan (WGC)	
BLM – Courtney Christensen (WGC)		USFS – Kelly Mathis (WGC)			

Justin Bohannon will be stepping down as the Chair of the ABOU and Cindy Matthews will step in on April 1st. A new Forest Service member will be added to the ABOU.

- **NWCG Airtanker Base Application Working Group**
 - Any updates to the directory should be sent in.
 - The Working Group has completed adding a layer of the airtanker bases that can be used with ForeFlight. Contact Leslie Casavan or Justin Bohannon for access.
- **Standards for Airtanker Base Operations Working Group (SABOWG)**
 - The SABO is updated and available on the NWCG website.
- **Airtanker Base Training and Qualifications Working Group (ABTQWG)**
 - The National Airtanker Base Manager and SEAT Manager Workshop is scheduled the week of February 17th at NAFRI in Tucson, Arizona.
- **Airtanker Base Operational Risk Management Working Group (ABORMWG)**
 - The Working Group will be working on 6MFS suggestions.
 - The daily GAR will be updated with the goal of completion in 2025.

- **SEAT Working Group (SEATWG)**
 - No updates
- **ABOU Working Group Recruitment**
 - Any volunteers for any of the Working Groups should be submitted to your agency ABOU representative.