

Airtanker Base Operations Unit (ABOU)
Meeting Notes
March 4, 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	X	USFS- James Snell	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)	X	BLM –		NWCG – Sarah Lee	X
BLM – Jake Lloyd (WGC)	X	USFS – Justin Hroch (WGC)	X	BLM – Mary Loan (WGC)	X
BLM – Courtney Christensen (WGC)					

David Schultz shared retiring and introduced Sarah Lee as the new NWCG contact. SABO package: changes compiled and forwarded to NIAC for review; after approval, coordination with NWCG Publications for release.

- **NWCG Airtanker Base Application Working Group**
 - Tasking - Identify communication applications that are approved for inter-agency use.
- **Standards for Airtanker Base Operations Working Group (SABOWG)**
 - SABO submitted and waiting on review and approval.
- **Airtanker Base Training and Qualifications Working Group (ABTQWG)**
 - Working to upload videos to the learning portal (awaiting files from NAPRI).
 - Updated “how to read the mass flow meter” printouts and sent for website update.
- **Airtanker Base Operational Risk Management Working Group (ABORMWG)**
 - Attended February 6 Minutes for Safety call; subcommittee interested in aviation participation and new topics.
 - Schedule risk group meeting soon to begin drafting topics

- **SEAT Working Group (SEATWG)**
 - Next week: SEAT Manager IPTM in-person; pre-work completed.

- **ABOU Working Group Recruitment**
 - Any volunteers for any of the Working Groups should be submitted to your agency ABOU representative.