

CEPC Call

Thursday May 14, 2020

Chair Updates

- Annie Benoit got Josh's job
- Sean Cross is retiring so there will be a detailer in his job.
- Training liaison is Brian Harrison

Carrie – Wildland Fire Investigation Committee

- She has been in contact with Jeff
- Wrapping up FI-310 final review, but still working on it.
- New version of FI-110, just need a current contact: Brian

PIO Subcommittee: Candice Stevenson

- Position Description up on website. It's a table that you can compare to the other positions.
- Doing away with PIOF and creating a PIO4.

IPD Workgroup

Bruce is incorporating final comments from Annie and will send out to Terri and need the CEPC to look at it.

FPET webinar

175 people attended. Heard from overview to details on the FPET Digital library. A link provided all the resources and it was recorded. Beavans will try to get link from K. Curtiss to have it posted on the CEPC site.

Fire-Cause Workgroup

Rochelle was thinking that it is almost ready to do, might come out as soon as next week.

FPET Digital Library

- Nancie working with Gwen H. on publishing items.
- Standing Committee: ALL agencies have a representative that provides information to Gwen H. or whoever is going to make them 508 -compliant.
- Nancie: marked for review – wasn't sure what that meant. Now she knows that everything she gets from Gwen H. are ok to be published.
- I expressed that I would pay for Gwen H. for another week out of my budget, take her off of large fire support, because she can't keep charging to that code, the working group could get back together, and decide on what the path forward should be.
- Nancie – they don't have to be 508 compliant, fully, at this point since the flier and product will be made by a field-unit since they will make an end product.
- Gwen H. is working on everyone's behalf.
- I'll pay for Gwen H. for one more week out of my salary. The work group will get together and come up with a plan to be voted on for next month's call. Terri will send out a note to the existing WG and find out if they are still interested or if they have someone else who is interested.

WPSAPS Update

Kenny J. Training in MT was really good. This will probably be the last training

P-310 update

Virtual Mtg

- Terri to send out doodle poll on dates.
- Gwen- yes, three hours a day for three days, core hours.
- Angie voted yes for that.
- Bruce- asked about what format to do this in.
- Deb- suggested Teams. Can post files/documents.

Round Robin

USDA Forest Service - Gwen:

- Launching new campaign about recreating safely and preventing wildfires during these unprecedented times. Media tour will be Thursday May 21 from 6-12 ET. Vanity URL will drive people to a webpage and then link to The Discover the Forest and SmokeyBear.Com websites.
- Virtual FPET suggested guidelines, Best Management Practices was created and sent out to everyone and was going to be posted on the CEPC page.

NASF- Eastern States: Fred

Fire Activity in Florida is very active, will head to the Midwest next.

NASF – Western states: Angie Lane

Assistant Manager for Washington DNR. She brings a wealth of knowledge to this committee. Wanting charter and Terri will put her on to that and Fred will call her and talk to her.

IAFC – Bruce

Fire and emergency first responders consumed by COVID19 so not a lot to report on wildfire. They are planning to proceed with fire conference in August. WUI meeting will be the first week in November in Reno, NV.

NIFC/External Affairs – Carrie

- Response plans completed. PIO plans are pretty basic for now. COVID tab on the PIO bulletin board. They will be constantly changing. Updated fire prevention links on the website. Wanting to look at redesign of this website.
- BLM Evil Ember campaign. Social media blitz, wildfire awareness month. They are posting on the NIFC site.

BIA – Kenny

National A123 reviews for the prevention program nationally. They have to be done by June 1. SW is picking up a lot of activity right now.

USFWS – Terri

Most of the refuges delayed or changed their approach to wildfire preparedness month. Fires in FL response, they have to test and self-isolate upon return if exposed to others. They do think it will be dry for the foreseeable future.