

# Communication, Education, and Prevention Committee (CEPC)

## CEPC Conference Call Agenda

### Logistics

**Date** February 08, 2024

**Time:** 1500 Eastern, 1400 Central, 1300 Mountain, 1200 Pacific

### CEPC Members:

Name	Representation	In Attendance (X)
Jodie Barram	International Association of Fire Chiefs	X
Chris Barth	Public Information Officer Subcommittee	
Faith Berry	US Fire Administration	X
Carrie Bilbao	NIFC External Affairs	X
Tina Boehle	National Park Service	
Mandy Scott	U.S. Forest Service	X
Kari Cobb	US Fish and Wildlife Service	X
Mark Thibideau	Fire Prevention Education Team Subcommittee	X
Doug Hildebrand	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	
Kenny Jaramillo	Bureau of Indian Affairs	X
Angie Lane	National Association of State Foresters (Western)	X
Katy O'Hara	NWCG	X
Caron McKee	Administrative support	
Kent Nelson	National Association of State Foresters (Eastern)	X
Jon Skinner	Bureau of Land Management	
Shawn Zimmermaker	Fire Investigation Subcommittee	X

### Agenda Topics

- Smokey's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday -will add links to webpage for resources
- Deposit for Schoodic-still waiting to hear what the deposit will be; will work on reserving cabins and setting up field trips
- Review webpage – WPSAP training schedule; anything else need to be removed, edited, or added?
- Recently published abstract study on the validity of fire pattern indicators – Shawn to discuss during WFISC report out.
- Task team/groups - Fire Restrictions (Kenny), Training (Angie); add Fire Cause Task Group?
- GACC communication and prevention committee meetings
- P-101 update

### COMMITTEE BUSINESS:

- Chair's update – Carrie: Cleaning up notes and need approvals for past meetings. Three FY25 project requests were turned in by WFISC with an update. There will be a NWCG meeting February 21-22 in Boise, ID for committee/subcommittee chairs; others may attend but need to submit and RSVP - contact Katy O'Hara. Updates to CEPC webpage: there are no formal offerings for WPSAP training in FY24 - check with regional contacts for potential training opportunities. Wildland-Urban Interface Conference March 26-28 in Reno, NV. Post-fire group call: working on InFORM, how to include fuels management data and treatments. Need to talk with GACC prevention/mitigation committees to possibly set up a meeting. Re-initiate fire cause task team/group to look at fire cause data, correct reporting, and develop InFORM data entry user's guide for entering fire cause info.

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- NWCG Coordinator remarks and news and update – Katy: PIOT and PIO3 are moving forward - putting briefing together to move through charter. An increase was added to the budget, 26 requests came in.
- PIO Subcommittee update – Chris: Not in attendance. Notes from PIOSC meeting: Still looking to fill USFWS and BIA spots on subcommittee – Lessa Peter may take BIA slot. Lisa Wilkolak has been recruited for BLM to take Chris spot. For training, #1 priority is PIOC and PIO3 specific training needed; S-203 is priority course working on (very outdated); Chris looking for guidance (Katy/Angie) on how to proceed with course development; need to figure out release date for S-110 which will affect the development of S-103 course; considering looking at FEMA courses to identify holes that need to be addressed for wildland fire requirements; Kerry Greene to sit on development sessions for possible branch PIO task books; Chris and Kerry met with Inciweb Team and discussed how to roll out Wildfire Crisis Strategy into Inciweb and adding link to the reporting table for feedback.
- Fire Prevention Education Team Subcommittee update – Mark: Held the first Learning Environment meeting, 37 members attended. Upcoming trainings: March 9-10 P101, March 11-14<sup>th</sup> P310 AZ Wildfire and Incident Management Academy; April 15-19<sup>th</sup> P-410 Florida Wildfire Training Center. Working on PD updates, will set up meeting with Katy.
- Wildland Fire Investigation Subcommittee update – Shawn: Budget requests submitted; working on draft response to Parker and Babrauskas article, hoping to have the letter come from NWCG.

## DISCUSSION TOPICS

- P101 on learning portal – Carrie (still looking into this; Maureen passed off to Rick Gividen – Carrie has reached out to Rick) review of the update on 2/9; is there a virtual option? Regions are using portal so there are multiple iterations, does it need to be more generic?
- Fire Restrictions - Kenny will look into how we move forward with funding.
- FI-110 online version is complete and ready to go; tested with sub-committee; will try with class.
- Karen Dante-Wood, JFSP, will be presenting to CEPC on April 11th – talk about JFSP and research submission cycle.

## ACTION ITEMS FROM TODAY'S CALL:

What	Assigned to	Status
Meet with Rick Gividen to discuss P-101	Carrie & Mark	Meeting on Feb 9

**\*FOR A LIST OF ALL CEPC ACTION ITEMS, BOTH IN-PROGRESS AND COMPLETED, SEE TEAMS DOCUMENT: [Action Items.xlsx](#)**  
(Located on Teams inside the Meeting Agendas and Notes folder)

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## ORGANIZATIONAL/AGENCY UPDATES

*To be submitted in writing – can be covered if there is enough time.*

Name	Representation	Update
Jodie Barram	IAFC	WUI conference is coming up March 25-28; registration is open.
Faith Berry	USFA	
Carrie Bilbao	NIFC External Affairs	Working on Fire Year Themes. EA reps are serving as liaisons to GA PIOs – will provide NIFC updates at IMT breakout sessions during their spring meetings.
Tina Boehle/Caron McKee	NPS	
Kari Cobb	USFWS	
Doug Hildebrand	NOAA	
Kenny Jaramillo	BIA	WPSAPS EGP upgrades and FamAuth changeover; working on updating guidebooks.
Angie Lane	NASF (Western)	
Kent Nelson	NASF (Eastern)	Mid Atlantic Compact developed Smokey jibbits; prep for Eclipse in April.
Mandy Scott	USFS	Detailed Branch Chief-Maris Gabliks; Beginning Community of Practice Webinars every Friday, starting with Karen Short.
Jon Skinner	BLM	