

Communication, Education, and Prevention Committee (CEPC)

CEPC Conference Call Notes

Logistics

Date: September 19, 2024

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

CEPC Members:

Name	Representation	In Attendance (X)
Jodie Barram	International Association of Fire Chiefs	
Kerry Greene	Public Information Officer Subcommittee	
Faith Berry	US Fire Administration	X
Carrie Bilbao	NIFC External Affairs	X
Tina Boehle	National Park Service	X
Mandy Scott	U.S. Forest Service	
Kari Cobb	US Fish and Wildlife Service	X
Mark Thibideau	Fire Prevention Education Team Subcommittee	
Corey Pieper	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	X
Kent Nelson	National Association of State Foresters (Eastern)	X
Jon Skinner	Bureau of Land Management	
Shawn Zimmermaker	Fire Investigation Subcommittee	

Agenda Topics

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COMMITTEE BUSINESS:

- Chair's update – Carrie: Our annual meeting is coming up (Oct. 7-11); CEPC worked on the agenda during today's call. It can be found [here](#). Carrie will also set up another quick call for next Thursday (9/26) for a quick update on anything needed related to the in-person meeting.
- NWCG Coordinator remarks and news and update – Katy: Status of PIOT and PIO3 in IPTM process – PIOT got the green light; PIO3 is a little held up at the moment due to ongoing discussions about removing some recommended trainings that are currently listed. Overall, the rewrite for S-203 is still on track; work with SMEs will start in the next month or so. Will be building new job aids for both positions, one of which is the PIO Incident Organizer which will be formalized into an NWCG product; also a Communications Strategy document. More to come on this. Overall on IPTM, there have been inconsistencies on the decision-making process, so process is slowed down a bit to get more guidance on this. Going into 2025, no positions that fall under CEPC to be revised.
Website updates are ongoing, with a big push to update rosters. Elmyra Falcon has returned to NWCG as webmaster. Katy's position is now being hosted by BLM, instead of NPS.
- PIO Subcommittee update – Kerry: Not on call. Per Carrie, PIOSC working on finalizing PIOSC SOP (*sent to CEPC for review and approval 9/26/24*).
- Fire Prevention Education Team Subcommittee update – Mark: Not on call. Per Angie: Zach may be available to attend in person CEPC meeting in October. Hosting FPET training in Redmond (Angie and Zach working on this) – will be sometime in February or March 2025.
- Wildland Fire Investigation Subcommittee update – Shawn: Not on call. Per Carrie, they will have their

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in-person meeting in October (thought same week as CEPC but sounds like trying to figure out a week that works best for everyone – maybe Oct 23-27 or Nov 13-17). PMS412 is with editor; NASA partners also provided some comments to the scientific method section.

- Fire cause task group update - Jon/Kenny: Group hasn't met for the past month due to fire activity; will meet again October 3, with meetings continuing every 2 weeks from then on.

ACTION ITEMS FROM TODAY'S CALL:

What	Assigned to	Status
Finalize travel and agenda for upcoming in person meeting.	All - travel (Carrie/Kent for agenda)	Completed - send out 9/27.
Set up short call for 9/26 to go over any needed items prior to in person meeting.	Carrie	Completed.

*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)

ORGANIZATIONAL/AGENCY UPDATES

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

Name	Representation	Update
Jodie Barram	IAFC	
Faith Berry	USFA	
Carrie Bilbao	NIFC External Affairs	
Tina Boehle	NPS	
Kari Cobb	USFWS	
Corey Pieper	NOAA	
Kenny Jaramillo	BIA	
Angie Lane	NASF (Western)	
Kent Nelson	NASF (Eastern)	
Mandy Scott	USFS	
Jon Skinner	BLM	