



Equipment Technology Committee

Meeting Notes – May 13, 2025



	Topic	Presenter	Notes	Action/Decision
1	Agency Updates	ETC Members	- LJ (BLM): National fire program re-shuffling. - Bill Yohn (NPS): DRP impacts, fiscal positions, reprioritizing tasks. - Tom P. (DLA): tracking support. - Mike Womack: waiting to hear impacts from federal restructuring. - Clint (Cal State): political impacts. - Dave Stockoski: fire season, working on projects.	
2	NWCG Updates	Erica Lamb	- Writer/editor staffing changes. - Updating & modernizing on-the-job training for incident positions.	
3	ETC Alerts	Nate Hesse	Upcoming: decontamination, chaps, PFAS.	
4	Subcommittee Updates	Subcommittee Chairs	- Fire Chemical Subcommittee - Unavailable for report out. - Fire Shelter and Personal Protective Equipment Subcommittee - June 12th is next meeting. - Working on red book updates. - Ground Ignition Subcommittee 3 remaining committee members. - Invasive Species Subcommittee - Unavailable for report out. - Mobile Fire Equipment Subcommittee - Next provision of NFPA chapter on public input for wildland apparatus. - ETC equipment bulletin for fuel carriage (low priority). - Roster is intact. - National Fire Equipment System Subcommittee - ICLIP – updates for the national cache inventory management system. - Some functionality will be limited, considering impacts. - Hot/cold beverage containers are retrofitted. - Wildland Fire Radio Standards and Use Subcommittee - NICD is working on videos. - Training videos are paused.	
5	NTDP Updates	Shawn Steber	- Cache memo & bulletin for cache. - Hot beverage container new design.	

			• Safety cans – meeting with Logan & LJ, safety coordination on the available vs new design (major project). • Safeway products are going away. JustRite is still viable. • Plastic military can is continued. • Ralph Gonzales is the new director for NTDP. • Seatbelt retraction issue. Red are OEM and receiving affected belts from R6. Thickness measurements are underway. Roscommon has provided input on restrain system. Risk analysis on belts in the future and what solutions are available. • Technical assistance to R5 on dozer cabin infiltration, some run positive pressure. • Staffing shortages impacting engine academies.	
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Next Conference Call

Date: August 19, 2025

Meeting Attendees:

- Vance
- Lester
- Ralph
- Clint
- Marcus
- Michael
- Jeff
- Shawn
- David
- Tom
- Mike W.
- Yohn
- Candace