

Fire Environment Committee

Conference Call Notes

April 1, 2020

On the call:

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Larry Van Bussum
Annie Benoit
Wes Hall
Tim Chavez
Deb Fleming
Billy Gardunio
Clint Cross
Tim Brown
Mark Fitch

FENC Business:

- 1) See this link for updated Committee/Sub-group organization for FENC:
<https://www.nwcg.gov/committees>.
 - Coordination between curriculum management units/subcommittees/parent committees needs to happen in whatever way the subcommittee deems best.
 - Task team to start working on SOPs for course steering committees – Deb will likely be lead on this, **looking for volunteers (ideally from course steering committees) to help with this.**
 - **Send note to all subgroup chairs to check their webpages** to ensure roster is up to date, information on page is correct.
- 2) Advanced NFDRS has been assigned NWCG course # S-591. Nothing significant will change because of this, just made it official under NWCG and aligned with other course steering committees.
- 3) From NWCG Connections call today: 10 courses to have materials posted online in near future to support virtual training offerings this spring due to COVID 19.
- 4) Thoughts from group re: how FENC may need to provide support due to COVID 19?
 - a. National conversations on what functional areas could support incidents virtually - Finance, Planning, some logistics.
 - b. Ask that you keep FENC in the loop re: best practices, etc. in how FENC can support incidents this year.
- 5) Virtual Spring meeting to discuss IT issues: Proposed for May 5-6th

PMU – Deb:

- 1) Staffing update: PMU has list for detailer to fill in behind Paul S. but going to wait to fill that until pandemic is over.
- 2) Krysta Shultz moved to OAS effective today. Will fill behind her position. In interim, send to Deb instead.

Round-Robin:

Mark Fitch –

- Completed roadway visibility guide.
- Two glossary terms to include in glossary – super fog and smoke induced fog.
- Building task group to work with Colby Jackson (NWCG) on smoke guidance video for med unit leader and safety officers.

Annie Benoit –

- FB pocket guide – solicitation for reviews to be sent to GATRs/Fire Behavior course training leads.
- In process of reviewing FBAN IPD.

Tim Brown –

- Sending link to collect stories re: people's response/reaction? to this pandemic. Robyn may send out to group for further dissemination.