FEOU Meeting 17 May 2022

Attended: Robert Swofford Nicole Finch Cheryl Bright

Discussed WX Weather program.

1. USFS is happy with the new WX Weather program.

Discussed RAWS Projects.

- 1. Recently promoted Kip Watson is working on the Intellisense project.
- 2. The L3Harris system will be installed in May.
- 3. The Cache system is reluctant to purchase Kestler units to replace the belt weather kits due to a fear of not receiving them back. RSFWSU is considering a plan to calibrate the units.

Discussed STIWG updates.

- 1. Nicole briefed us on the GOES 17 18 move.
- 2. There is discussion on having two-way communication between the field transmitters.

Discussed the responses to down stations and sensors.

1. Cheryl discussed the need of a faster response time for down stations and sensors. The current SOP is a 48 hour response due to RSFWSU's help desk not manned during the weekend and holidays. With approval, this could change.

Discussed RAWS Training.

- 1. This fall RAWS training will be conducted in person.
- 2. Dates for training have been set and will be posted on the website soon.
- 3. The next remote training will be in Alaska for FY23.
- 4. It was asked that the students be POCs or maintain the RAWS systems. Agency/Regional Reps my need to assist the GATRS in determining who should receive this training.

The meeting was adjourned, and the next meeting will be in September depending or the fire situation.