

# NWCG Fuels Management Committee

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## Meeting Notes and Decision Log

Microsoft Teams Meeting 1300 (MST/MDT)

Date: 1/13/2021

Begin Time: 1300

End Time: 1530

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## Attendees

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### FMC Members

**Present:** Mike Van Hemelryck (NPS) Chair; Andy James (NASF) Vice Chair; Mark Jackson (BIA); Angie Simpson (BLM); Tate Fischer (FWS); Deb Fleming (NWCG); Frankie Romero (USFS)

**Absent:**

**Advisors:** Vacant (BIA)

### Guests

**Present:** Jason Fallon, Jesse Bender, Chuck Wamack

**Absent:** Annie Benoit, Tim Yurkiewicz

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## Decision Log

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### Topic: Review December Decision Log

**Presenter:** Mike Van Hemelryck

**Decision:** No notes to review, Mike will work on getting some together. If other members have notes, please send to Chair.

### Topic: Red Book AD Pay Plan and RX Fire

**Presenter:** Frankie Romero

**Decision:** The Forest Service change to allow the use of AD Pay Plan for prescribed fire was not changed in the 2021 Redbook. FS submitted errata to change the language to include FS and remove the bullet "FS – Forest Service does not have this authority".

### Topic: RXB1/2 PSAT Update

**Presenter:** Mike Van Hemelryck

**Discussion/Considerations:** FMC did task the FUSC with providing agency SME to work on the PSAT process for RXB1/2. Currently Casey has 2 SME's from the BLM and just needs other agency involvement. The FS contract for the PSAT lead is being worked on.

**Decision:** The FUSC agency members will try to find SME's in addition to BLM's.

### Topic: PMS 210 Discontinuation

**Presenter:** Mike and Jesse Bender

**Discussion/Considerations:** NWCG FMC did not see the IPSC Memo-20-15 that talked about the feedback provided by the field users and NWCG Committees and announced that IPSC is discontinuing the publication of PMS 210. After July 1, 2021, the publication will no longer be sold in the cache or available on the NWCG website. Reference materials like the hand crew production rates study tables would need to be found somewhere else. These were based off studies and referenced in the PMS 210 and would need to live somewhere else.

**Decision:** FMC to review and provide feedback to Jesse by March 10, 2021. Is there a platform the reference materials can continue to live, or do we need to add a link to the FMC web page? Please review the memo and send comments to Mike and FMC can review during the march meeting.

### **Topic: Fuels Discovery Session**

**Presenter:** Chuck Wamack

**Discussion/Considerations:** Can we integrate fuels data into IRWIN? Currently fuels treatment information does flow through IRWIN already via Dispatch. This may help with the data cache and NextGen NFPORS. The reason IRWIN does not currently talk with NFPORS is because of data standards and authoritative sources. To make these possible standards need to be the same. Do we need to start with each agency inputs that same standards? Should we wait until the new system (NFPORS) is developed? Should the new system include contract specs to include being able to integrate with IRWIN?

**Decision:** Chuck will send out a doodle poll for 5 weeks out to start the process with FMC members and additional agency member that are needed.

### **Topic: Update on Sit Report and RX Acres**

**Presenter:** Mike and Frankie

**Discussion/Considerations:** NMAC removed all prescribed fire tables with annual and weekly summaries in the National Situation Report. This has caused issues as to where can people find these tables. What platform is the best place to keep this information? Maybe the forest and rangeland website.

**Decision:** OWF will put together a template for an annual summary (DOI/FS) for the forest and rangeland site. Andy will reach out to the state to see if states would like to share their prescribed fire and fuels treatment data.

### **Ad Hoc Topic: Career Development Inquiry**

**Presenter:** Mike Van Hemelryck

**Discussion/Considerations:** Career development inquiry from Bre Schueller suggested by Tim Sexton. Some concerns raised as to opening door to numerous requests. Suggestion made that if Bre has willingness to act as notetaker, we have a solution to our lapse in that position.

**Decision:** Mike will check with Bre to see if she will take notes. If so, FMC will allow.

### **Ad Hoc Topic: IFTDSS Priorities**

**Presenter:** Jason Fallon

**Discussion/Considerations:** Reaffirm FMC priorities for IFTDSS is Tech Transfer and Training. No new development at this time. Concurred and again reaffirmed from previous FMC notes.

**Decision:** This is still the direction from FMC

### **Topic: Agency Updates**

**Presenter:** FMC

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## Action Items or Assignments

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**Name:** FMC

**Assignment:** Review the [IPSC Memo 20-15](#) by March 10th and provide comments to Mike.

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## Date, Time and Location of Next Meeting

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**Date:** 2/10/2021

**Time:** 1300-1700

**Location:** Microsoft Teams