

Fire Prevention Education Team (FPET) Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes: 07/20/2023

Attendees:

- (X) Mark Thibideau – Forest Service – Chairperson
- (X) Zach Ellinger – Bureau of Land Management – Primary Member / Program Manager
- (_) Jeff Moyer – Bureau of Indian Affairs – Primary Member
- (X) Maureen Brooks – Forest Service – CEPC Liaison
- (_) Stacey Grimes – Forest Service – Co-Chairperson
- (X) Andy Nesmith – National Association of State Foresters – Primary Member
- (X) Kate Roesch – National Park Service – Primary Member
- (_) Gwen Beavans – AD Employee – Associate Member
- (X) Sarah Lee – Bureau of Land Management – NWCG Coordinator
- (X) Nick Terrell – Bureau of Land Management – Admin. Support

Old Business

- Host guide & team leaders guide update - Both publications have been approved by NWCG and announced. Committee members asked to spread word to representing agencies.
- Webinar - Committee decided that topics listed in the new business section will be prioritized and converted to one-hour workshops.
- Firenet - This agenda item will be wrapped into the group of workshop topics listed in new business section.

New Business

- Topics for presentations - Committee brainstormed topic ideas of firenet, best practices for use of social media / multimedia, use of smokey bear, best practices for prevention team documentation, team use of technology, lessons learned from prevention team assignments.

Other Business

- Round Robin.
 - Mark shared that there are two teams mobilized currently – Florida / Texas team (PETL Patrick Mahoney) having beneficial interactions w/ locals and attending events – baseball games, drag races. PNW team (PETL Zach & Mark will be transitioning with Gwen) – large focus on media, local FMOs are expressing interest in getting involved with team.
 - Gwen – committee needs to initiate / have conversation about new PIO qualifications. Committee will wait till 2024 to make recommendations on changes to mob guide regarding use of PIOs on FPET – what qualifications should be used with implementation of CIMT.
 - Maureen – Two solar eclipses coming up. The October 2023 eclipse path will run from Oregon to Texas. The April 2024 eclipse path will run from Texas to New England. Products available at national symbols cache. Toolkit available at smokeybear.com

(customizable static graphics, talking points). Expecting impacts on public lands – how can FPET use be coordinated to meet impact demands? Committee decides that a good starting point is to draft an email to prevention team leads – Mark will work with Stacey on content for email to bring to August 17th meeting. Add item to next meeting agenda.

Next Call & Agenda Items

1. August 17th @ 1100 Pacific
2. Agenda items for next meeting.
 - Form a task group & pick team leader to develop a prevention team leader position description. Sara will provide reference documents to assist with PD build.
 - Discuss draft email to PETLs regarding prioritization of team use during eclipse events.