



National Wildfire Coordinating Group

Fire Use Subcommittee Agenda

2/20/2025 1200-1300 MST, 10:00-11:00 AK Time

Attendees

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Casey Boespflug – BLM	<input type="checkbox"/> Todd Rankin – USFWS	<input type="checkbox"/> Gabe Dumm– USFS
<input type="checkbox"/> Patty Johnson – NPS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> LaWen Hollingsworth-USFS	<input type="checkbox"/> Chad Bladow – TNC
<input type="checkbox"/> Shaniko Cowie – USFS	<input type="checkbox"/> Chris Loomis-USFS WFM	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Daniel Dyer – BIA
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jackie Broeker-TN State Forestry	<input type="checkbox"/> Angie Simpson – NWCG-FMC	<input type="checkbox"/> Mark Jackson-BIA-FMC
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> John Norton-Jensen – BLM	<input type="checkbox"/> Others-
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dave Schultz – NWCG	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Vernon Stearns-BIA	<input type="checkbox"/> Other-

Notetaker: Jackie Broeker

*FUSC additional team members. Continue to accept more members in order to expand the number of attendees/members. Asking for Alternate members and associate members.

*Alternate member would fill in for Primary, associate would be able to help with taskings but not be the voting member. Goal would be to build on associate positions skill and involvement.

*Consensus voting vs primary members only voting? Each agency should be represented either way.

Updates from NWCG Executive Board Yearly Meeting-Schultz

- **Virtual Meeting this year as last year was the in-person (switch back and forth every other year).**
 - **Laid out priorities**
 - **Annual letter**
 - **IPTM process discussion – Changing quals, certs, etc. How to move forward.**
 - **Agency vetting and alignment**
 - **Parent committee role (keep executive committee limited)**
 - **Agency specific breakout sessions**
 - **Revolved around IPTM**
 - **Discussed specifically READ as an example**
 - **SMEs – vetting for who would fit the bill, enough SMEs, Broad Range**



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- 1) RT-300 Video Budget Proposal FY26.
 - a) Proposal Submitted
 - i) Submitted more information, as requested - Schultz
 - b) Start thinking about topics and better way for sharing video. (Where to post, get word out?)
 - i) FEB: Conversation with better ways to share videos with more professionals/Agency Reps.
(1) Long process to get "published" and on YouTube
- 2) FIRB IPTM
 - a) David reported that FIRB is moving forward with PARR Position Analysis Requirement Report ??) completed and out for approval. Design phase will follow. Stay tuned.
 - b) Nothing new to report on this for July meeting.
 - c) Schultz updated in Feb. Submitted for possible approval. May have approval by March meeting and will continue to provide updates moving forward.
 - i) Discussion about S219 being a "blended" course with in-person instructor portion.
(1) Development coming next towards what the course is going to look like.
(a) Possible "test" course.
- 3) RXB1 IPD, IPTM and PTB
 - a) Status? Validation meeting in Mid April
 - b) SME met and had discussion on RXB1 docs; going well but a bit bigger than first thought.
 - c) Project lead is Dan Staab for NWCG
 - d) Process has been more than expected, may go into contractor for IPTM.
 - e) FEB Updates: Will go into a contract led IPTM process.
 - i) RXB2 and RXB1 is going back into the IPTM process (2027)
- 4) PMS 430 Recommendations and Updates
 - a) WFM Unit sent draft to NWCG
 - b) Chris sent recommendations, posted in teams site for updates to PMS 430. Please take a look at doc to discuss in August meeting (or next meeting).
 - c) LaWen and Casey reviewed during the July meeting
 - d) PMS 430 Recommended Updates 2024 3 6.pdf
 - e) FEB: Sent to publishing shop, close to finishing up for approvals.
- 5) Question on Rx qualifications for non-fire pathways. Put on next meeting agenda to figure out status.
 - i) No action needed: Feb discussion about the RXB pathways for non-suppression agencies wanting to move forward with alternative pathway.



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Line #	Committee	Project Name	FY 2024 Approved	FY2025 Requested	FY2025 Approved	FY2025 Obligated	Comments	Approved by NWCG Exec Board
22	FMC/FUSC	RT-300 Video	\$24,000	\$36,000	\$0		Concerns about FUSC ability to support 3 videos in 3 years, based on past experiences request they take a break in FY25.	

6)

7) Action Items/Bin Items

- a) BLM Discussing requiring Burn Boss Refresher
- b) IFPRS *Interior Fuels and Post-Fire Reporting System* IFPRS. All DOI agencies transitioned to it for FY25. New version update out soon
 - i) **Feb. Nothing new to report.**
- c) 30 Positions into IPTM, FEMO for FUSC.
 - i) **Feb. Possible assistance from us for FEMO and other positions.**
 - ii)
- d) BEHAVE 7.0 updates – everything is functional, looking for early April to have it released.
 - i) Mortality (species list) needs work.
 - (1) Changing things to adjust to geographic area. (added hardwoods)
 - ii) Updating the WLFLP courses to match up with BEHAVE 7.0
 - iii) Updating S490 and RX 300 to BEHAVE 7.0
 - iv) Providing webinars for target groups.
- e) Conversation: Agencies moving towards IFPRS for post fire recover BAER/BAR?

Meeting ended 1300 MST.

Next call is March 20th 1200, MST (1000 AK time)