



National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG)



Hazard Tree and Tree Felling Sub Committee June 10, 2025 - TEAMs Call 1300 MTN

Notes

Present:

Cory Berkebile, BLM,
Mack McFarland, NPS
Adam Benkula, USFS
Kris Bruington, BLM
Logan Blankenship, BLM
Anthony Gholson, BIA
Brian Burbridge, USFS - Co-Chair
Aaron Pedersen, USFS
Kristen Chadwick, USFS
Mike Guarino, NPS - Chair
Lisa Winn, USFS Climbing Program Manager
James (Brock) Mayo, USFS National Climbing Program Coordinator
Sarah Lee, NWCG Coordinator
Heather Gonzalez, NWCG Training
Jonathan Winske, NWCG Training
Dave Roy, BLM
Roman Hucks, BLM - Notes
Ben Webster, Association of State Foresters
Daniel Staab, NWCG Training
Matthew Okrasinski, FWS

Announcements:

New Business:

- IPSC requested that the new S-212 be required for FELB – need HTTF vote (email/poll)
- Voting members – one rep from each agency; let Guarino know

NWCG Coordinator Report Out:

- Staffing: Our new Publications Manager, Chelsea McKinney, is in Boise as of last week and starting to get up to speed. Unfortunately, the NWCG Publications unit only has her and a detailer (with a short time left). We are hopeful that the job announcement for the vice-O'Hara NWCG Coordinator position will be out very soon! Our NWCG Training Specialists unit is still very understaffed, with soon to be only two people in addition to Heather as the supervisor, but the vacant BLM positions announcement has been posted! Our NWCG Media group still has one vacancy, and our NWCG Instructional Design unit has 2 out of 5 vacancies. Most NWCG employees are covering two or more roles.

- Faller Transition Plan: Being presented to IPSC tomorrow at their monthly meeting. Once any comments or feedback is received, it will come back to RMC and HTTFSC to adjudicate. Then it will need to be sent to me for finalization, posting, etc.
- Let me know how the vote goes for the IPSC feedback on the new S-212 being required for FELB.
- If/once the subcommittee has approved of any webpage changes, please send those to me and I will coordinate them with our Web Team.

HTTFS Projects:

FAL3 - S-112:

- Status Report

FAL2 - S-212:

- Lead SME Dave Roy
- Status Report

Web Page (Chadwick, Bruington): N/A

Charter (Guarino, Blakenship): N/A

HTTF Roster: Need to update; one primary/voting member from each agency & clean up (Guarino)

New Membership: IHC rep & standards for new members?

**Next Meeting is – July 8, 2025
1300 mtn.**

TEAMS