IABS Conference Call Notes

Date and Time

August 17, 2023

Time: 1100-1200 PST

IABS

Cadre (Agency/Name):	Check	Cadre (Agency/Name)	Check	Cadre (Agency/Name)	check
BLM – Angie Forbes		USFS – Stan Goode	Х	USFS- Justin Bohannan	Χ
BLM- Melissa Fry	Χ	NASF – Dustin Martin		USFS- Cindy Matthews	Χ
USFS – Annie Johnson	Х				

Associate Members & Unit Chairs

Cadre (Agency/Name):	Check	Cadre (Agency/Name)	Check	Cadre (Agency/Name)	check
USFS – Leslie Casavan (AM)		BLM – Kristina Curtis (AM)			
BLM – Dan Olds (UC)		USFS- Pat Montreuil (UC)		BLM – Mary Loan (UC)	
USFS – Jared Bohrman (UC)		USFS – Kelly Mathis (UC)	_		·

The IABS intends to host an AAR on Tuesday, November 7th at 1100 Pacific via Teams.

NWCG Airtanker Base Directory Unit / Directory App (Soon to be the Airtanker Base Application Unit)

- The Unit completed updating their Mission Statement and Primary Objectives.
- A Memo was created and will be send from the IABS Chair to the NIAC Chair. If approved, the request will go through the NWCG Coordinator and then to the NWCG Webmaster for updating.
- The Unit will be renamed the Airtanker Base Application Unit, and FLIGHT will be a component.

Standards for Airtanker Base Operations Unit (SABO)

- The SABO Unit has been tasked with creating a timeline/ how-to document on updating the SABO annually.
- Comments are always welcomed through the link on the IABS website.

Airtanker Base Training and Qualifications Unit (ABTQU)

- The Unit is working on the agenda for the national workshop scheduled in 2024. A calendar invite will be extended to the airtanker base pdl.
- The Unit is working on a NWCG FWPT class and hopes to have a product by the end of the calendar year.
- The ABTQU is working on the 2024 National Airtanker Base Manager/SEAT Manager Refresher. The meeting originally was scheduled Jan. 30 – Feb. 1st, however due to an event in Tucson, the hotel rates are astronomical. The meeting will be changed to a

- different date, and once identified, the information will be disseminated to the airtanker base distro list.
- The online version is still available through the Learning Portal and a certificate can be received for taking it online.
- The tentative plan is to have it recorded so it can be used as a refresher for those who are unable to make it in person.

Airtanker Base Operational Risk Management Unit (ABORMU)

o The Unit is working on a variety of checklists for airtanker bases to use as a part of SMS.

SEAT Unit

- The SEAT Unit created a Mission Statement and Primary Objectives which are posted on the IABS website
- The SEAT Unit has been tasked with creating 6MFS topics for consideration.

IABS Unit Recruitment

 Any volunteers for any of the units should be submitted to your agency IABS representative.