

Interagency Airtanker & Scooper Operations Subcommittee (IASOS)
Meeting Notes
November 19, 2024
Time: 1030-1130 Mountain Standard Time

IASOS:

USFS	Leslie Casavan	X	BLM	Kristina Curtis	
USFS	Cindy Matthews	X	NASF	Matthew Woodwick	X

Unit Chairs:

USFS	Justin Bohannon	X	Industry	Parker Lucas	X
BLM	Angie Forbes		BLM	Trevor Pollock	X

The NWCG web team is working on updating the websites to reflect the changes with the creation of the Interagency Airtanker & Scooper Operations Subcommittee. The IASOS is assisting by providing content and photos.

Airtanker Base Operations Unit (ABOU)

- The ABOU is has identified Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) for the upcoming Incident Performance & Training Modernization (IPTM) effort.
- The deadline for the NWCG Standards for Airtanker Base Operations (SABO) is on December 1st. The SABO Working Group will be reviewing the comments and making updates for the 2025 version.
- The Airtanker Base Operational Risk Management Working Group has been tasked with updating the Risk Assessment for airtanker bases. The target for completion in in the winter of 2025.
- The Airtanker Base Training & Qualifications Working Group is continuing to work on the Fixed Wing Parking Tender (FWPT) course.
- The Airtanker Base Application Working Group is determining if the NWCG Directory ForeFlight layer can be included.
- The ABOU will be meeting in person in January of 2025. The agenda has not been finalized, but there are plans to accept the updates to the SABO and create charters for the Working Groups.

Airtanker Operations Unit

- The PMS 514, NWCG Standards for Airtanker Operations has been finalized and will be sent to NWCG for publications. The majority of the changes were made to Appendix D.
- The Mission Statement and Primary Objectives were created.

NAFA Unit

- The NAFA Unit has a plan regarding testing in NAFA 1 and the process for vendor notification of test scores.
- The rotation of the Federal and Industry Chairs will be offset to keep continuity.

Scooper Operations Unit

- The PMS 518, NWCG Standards for Water Scooping Operations is in the publication process.