

Interagency Airtanker & Scooper Operations Subcommittee (IASOS)
Meeting Notes
June 16, 2026
Time: 1230 Mountain Standard Time

IASOS:

USFS	Leslie Casavan		BLM	Trevor Pollock	X	USFS	Kevin Merrill
USFS	Cindy Matthews	X	NASF	Matthew Woodwick	X	_____	

Unit Chairs:

USFS	Cindy Matthews	X	Industry	Christopher Daniell	X	Justin Bohannon	X
BLM	Angie Forbes	X	_____	_____		_____	

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- The NWCG committee reorganization will be transitioned on July 1st.
- The NIAC will be assigning AOBD and ASGS to the Fixed Wing Subcommittee to continue discussions regarding a path to those positions through fixed wing personnel.

Airtanker Base Operations Unit (ABOU)

- Movement on the Ramp Manager and SEAT Manager positions through the Incident Performance and Training Modernization (IPTM) process has been ongoing. The new RAMP task book was recently released.
- SMEs are working with NWCG/IPTM on the Aircraft Timekeeper task book and incident position qualifications.
- The Application Working Group created two 'how to' documents regarding making NWCG Airtanker Base Directory change requests and the ForeFlight/KMZ directory layers. They are also working on updating the retardant types at each base, and updating the airtanker types that are listed in the directory (removing ones that are no longer in the system, and adding new ones).
- The Airtanker Base Training and Qualification Working Group has successfully uploaded N9057 Airtanker Base Manager Refresher/ RT-273 SEAT Manager Refresher on the Wildland Fire Learning Portal. It will likely not be on the portal the next time it is delivered.

- PMS 508, NWCG Standards for Airtanker Base Operations is published. The Standards for Airtanker Base Operations Working Group is considering adjusting the timeline for comments and subsequent edits with a goal of getting it published earlier in the year.
- The aviation status report is no longer being forwarded by the ABOU, and those who wanted to be added to the parent email list have been added.
- The ABOU has a member of the Airtanker Base Operational Risk Management Working Group identified to be a liaison to the Six Minutes for Safety Subcommittee.

Airtanker Operations Unit (AOU)

National Aerial Firefighting Academy Unit (NAFAU)

- The NAFAU has a call next month and is determining if the November meeting will be in person or virtual.
- There will likely be several changes to the NAFA cadre.

Water Scooper Operations Unit