



MEETING MINUTES

DATE: December 01, 2021

ATTENDEES:

- Walter Bunt, Chair, USFS
- Joel Kerley, Primary Member, BIA
- Chris Tipton, Primary Member, USFS
- Jed Johns, Primary Member, BLM
- Michael Savage, Primary Member, USFS
- Maria Valerio, NAFRI Liaison, USFS

COMMENTS

- Review of November Notes
- Website review, working with Tim, Rhonda and Teisha to standardize the units/working groups to match other committees.

AGENDA ITEMS

Topic: PMS 505

Presenter: Walter Bunt

Discussion/Considerations:

- Change tracker updates
 - Reviewed and approved by NIAC
 - September 30th is the deadline for change requests, annually
 - CJ, requested clarification on #30, 2021. Leave as written, not approved by IASS or NIAC
- Flight time/duty day limitations/restrictions
 - FS recommends to, leave as written
 - Other agencies would like it defined better
- Night aerial supervision
 - Discussion to assign a task group to develop standards and formulate a plan to move forward
 - Recommendation for the group to review the Fire Scope, FS night flying operations and Cal Fire ICS 800 fire scope night flying documents
 - Observe how/what R5 and CalFire currently have in place
 - 18 month minimum for review process. What is already in place, implementation and take into consideration the NVG's, avionics package, staffing.
- Operating outside the FTA/TFR
 - Multiple agencies operating outside the TFR (UAS, Fixed wing, Type 1 helicopters, doing intel gathering, night ASM/ATGS)
 - Cal Fire, internal discussion, one suggestion is to request a "block" of airspace with FAA at different hours.



- Topic of discussion to be had with the AOBD's, dispatch, aviation academies, S-378 to include FTA/TFR in their training
- AIM documentation added to the SAS
 - Change request approved by NIAC

Decision:

- Flight time/duty day limitations/restrictions
 - Table for further discussion
 - CT can help with the discussion and provide history behind current standards
 - Night Aerial Supervision
 - Delay pending further discussion and to review existing guides and policies
 - Operating outside the FTA/TFR
 - Recommend tabling the discussion until Jake Sjolund can be on to discuss.
 - Discuss with interagency partners for 2022
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Topic: HLCO Qualification

Presenter: Walter Bunt

Discussion/Considerations:

- Recommendation to submit a change request to the 310-1
- Current required recurrent training is RT-130 annually
- Recommendation to require and add RT-378 and CRM triennially to the 310-1
- Allowing a 12 month, grace period for all HLCO to meet compliance

Decision:

- CJ seconds the recommendation, no opposition
 - WB will draft the memo and submit the change request
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Topic: ATGS Qualification

Presenter: Walter Bunt

Discussion/Considerations:

- Pre-requisites for the ATGS qualification are DIVS and ICT3
 - Currency maintenance is DIVS and ICT4
 - Recommendation to change the 310-1 to reflect currency of DIVS and ICT3 instead of ICT4
 - JK, there has been some push back from the operations committee in the past. The ICT3 qualification requires specific training to maintain currency. He's not opposed to it, just recommends keeping the HLCO and ATGS requests separate. Draft and submit 2 different memos. Its more of an administrative issue with the operations group. Suggests beefing up the verbiage to justify the request.
 - JJ, not opposed wither, times have changed along with the complexity of incidents. Definitely worth pursuing
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National Wildfire Coordinating Group

Interagency Aerial Supervision Subcommittee

Decision:

- CT seconds the recommendation
 - WB will draft the memo and submit the change request
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DATE, TIME, AND LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING

Date: January 12, 2022

Time: 14:00 MST

Location: TEAMS