



## MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** June 1, 2022

### ATTENDEES:

Walter Bunt, Chair, USFS, (Y)  
Joel Kerley, Primary Member, BIA, (Y)  
Paul Lenmark, Primary Member, BLM, (N)  
Chris Tipton, Primary Member, USFS, (Y)  
Jed Johns, Primary Member, BLM, (Y)  
Michael Savage, Primary Member, USFS, (Y)  
Chris Jurasek, Primary Member, NASF-W, (Y)  
Dan Carroll, Primary Member, NASF-E, (Y)  
Skyler Dalton, NASSU, BLM, (N)  
Andre Mascheroni, BLM, (N)  
Tim Blake, Coordinator, NWCG, (N)  
Maria Valerio, NAFRI Liaison, USFS, (Y)

### COMMENTS

Reviewed May notes for follow up

### AGENDA ITEMS

**Topic:** ATGS UTF's

**Presenter:** Dan Carroll

#### Discussion/Considerations:

- Nationwide/interagency wide shortage
- What are the short term and long-term plans to fix it?
- Aggressive initial attack
- Realistic/achievable objectives
- Availability of resources
- Length of assignments
- UTF data Nationally
  - So far 16 ATGS UTF's for 2022
  - What are the benefits to aerial supervision?
  - Policy requirements, use the SAS table
- Who is the audience?
  - Letter from NMAC to the fire directors, are folks being held back?
  - NIAC is already reviewing the letter, recommend waiting to see what comes down from NIAC/NMAC
  - What is the status of the aviation bulletin? Still in the works with NIAC
- FS/BLM are already compiling data, need other agencies/cooperators to gather data as well

#### Decision:

- Recommend compiling notes and the numbers of UTF statistics to help show the trends



- Gather interagency data to report to NMAC/NIAC
    - Number of trainees
    - Number of qualified
    - Reasons for the UTF's, who/what is holding people back?
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**Topic:** Initial Points Discussion

**Presenter:** Chris Jurasek

**Discussion/Considerations:**

- Aviation safety conference
- Review SAS and clarification of the definition of the Initial Points (IP)

**Decision:**

- No further discussion needed, remove from agenda
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**Topic:** FTA IB Final Draft

**Presenter:** Walter Bunt

**Discussion/Considerations:**

- NIAC approval
- Airspeeds in the FTA

**Decision:**

- FTA card has been approved by NIAC and delivered to NWCG
  - The FTA card and Bulletin should be posted in the next couple weeks.
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## DATE, TIME, AND LOCATION OF NEXT MEETING

Date: July 5, 2022

Time: 14:00 MST

Location: TEAMS