

Interagency Fire Planning Committee

Agenda Meeting Minutes: 5/14/2019 0900-1200 (Mountain Daylight Time)

Attendees

Kristy Swartz (BLM), Becky Brooks (FWS/NPS), Laura Barrett (FS), Reeve Armstrong(BIA), Juliette Jeanne(BIA), Ian Rickert (detailed to RD&A), Nate Barrons (State - UT), Mike Butteri (State - AK), Peter Butteri (FWS/BLM), Darcy McDaniels (BLM), Deb Fleming

Lisa Hanson, Nelson Siefkin, Rich Schwab

Agenda Items

0905 M-581 Fire Program Management Updates (15 Minutes)

Mike Ellesworth (BLM Rep to Operations and Training Committee (OTC)) will share write up or call in to provide an update and refresher on the M-581 Fire Planning related design criteria and the development status of the proposed content library.

0920: Proposal for Resource Advisor position revision (and Subcommittee?) (30 Minutes) - Lisa Hanson

[READ Info Sheet](#)

[Revising READ ppt](#)

[310-1](#), pages 16-17 describes Criteria for Position Consideration as an NWCG position

Needs:

Fed supplement could include taskbook

Incident Position Descriptions (for READ/REAF) to see difference -> lead to Taskbook criteria (agency training lead (fed rep to OTC) able to assist)

Standards for positions

Use by # agencies, # of orders, #'s from CC

0950: Feature Services - Tradeoffs and Investments for data that could be consumed by several applications (e.g. FMP story maps, ArcGIS Collector, Enterprise Geospatial Portal...) (45 Minutes) - Ian Rickert

Ian led discussion of need for feature services that could be consumed by several applications.

1020: Dingell Act (Section 1114 Wildfire Technology Modernization) and IT Capabilities (15 Minutes) - Kristy Swartz

Link to text, [Dingell Act](#)

Section 1114. Wildfire Technology Modernization

Subsection (e) Wildland Fire Decision Support.

(1) *PROTOCOL.*—To the maximum extent practicable, the Secretaries shall ensure that wildland fire management activities conducted by the Secretaries, or conducted jointly by the Secretaries and State wildland firefighting agencies, achieve compliance with applicable incident management objectives in a manner that—

(A) minimizes firefighter exposure to the lowest level necessary; and

(B) reduces overall costs of wildfire incidents.

(2) *WILDFIRE DECISION SUPPORT SYSTEM.*—

(A) *IN GENERAL.*—The Secretaries, in coordination with State wildland firefighting agencies, shall establish a system or expand an existing system to track and monitor decisions made by the Secretaries or State wildland firefighting agencies in managing wildfires.

(B) *COMPONENTS.*—The system established or expanded under subparagraph (A) shall be able to alert the Secretaries if—

(i) unusual costs are incurred;

(ii) an action to be carried out would likely—

(I) endanger the safety of a firefighter; or

(II) be ineffective in meeting an applicable suppression or protection goal; or

(iii) a decision regarding the management of a wildfire deviates from—

(I) an applicable protocol established by the Secretaries, including the requirement under paragraph (1); or

(II) an applicable spatial fire management plan or fire management plan of the Secretary concerned.

(other subsections address UAS, location based services, and more...)

Link to [BLM response](#) to request for Implementation Plan for subsection (e)

1035 Website Updates (30 Minutes) - Deb/Kristy/Becky

Kristy, Becky, Deb met 5/13 to review plan, shared proposed changes at meeting.

New header, new pictures:

<https://www.nwcg.gov/ifpc-homepage-draft>

<https://www.nwcg.gov/ifpc-resources-draft>

Assignments - review links and provide updated agency links as necessary

NWCG Glossary Terms Assigned (15 Minutes) - Kristy Swartz

[23 remaining terms are in need of review and revision.](#)

Prioritized list of terms, started with terms to potentially reassign

Standing Agency Topics (15 Minutes) - All

BIA:

States:

Forest Service:

Ian/WFM RD&A:

FWS/NPS:

BLM:

Topics for Next Meeting & Upcoming Meetings/Calls

Topics for Next Meeting

- InFORM/IRWIN/Fire Reporting - questions unable or difficult to consistently and accurately answer (feedback from the field), presentation on current status - specific to Reporting/Data side of application
- How to complete Interagency online storymaps/FMPs

Long-term BIN

- Review NWCG Glossary Terms
- Semi-annual updates (or as needed) from Fire Danger Rating Subcommittee, Fire Behavior Subcommittee, Fuels Committee (SOPL & M-482), Office of Wildland Fire, M-581 Steering Committee, and M-582 Steering Committee.
- IT business needs and requirements
- Revise M-581 content
- Develop standards for WFDSS
- Solicit SMEs to review the Resource Advisor Guide
- **Followup: InFORM/IRWIN/Fire Reporting - feedback from the field - what fire history data questions are you unable to or are difficult to consistently and accurately answer?**

Upcoming Meetings

May 14th, 0900-1200 MT

September 10th, 0900-1200 MT

November 12th, 0900-1200 MT