

Interagency Fire Planning Committee

Agenda Meeting Minutes: 9/10/2019 0900-1200 (Mountain Daylight Time)

Invitees

Kristy Swartz (OWF), Andrew Bailey (BLM), Becky Brooks (FWS/NPS), Laura Barrett (FS), Reeve Armstrong(BIA), Juliette Jeanne(BIA), ? (RD&A), ~~Nate Barrons (State - UT), Mike Butteri (State - AK), Peter Butteri (FWS/BLM),~~ Darcy McDaniels (BLM), Deb Fleming

Guests: Lisa Hanson, Dianna Sampson

Agenda Items

0900: Update - Proposal for Resource Advisor position revision (and Subcommittee?) (20 Minutes) - Lisa Hanson

READ/REAF/ARCH, Lead READ

Lisa currently in contact with two groups interested in the READ process the READ Cohort group (several hundred) and the ARCH Cohort (couple hundred)

Other Tech Specialists to consider moving into?

Rich Schwab (NPS BAER) think about overlap?

Standard Content for Training

Deb: next steps

- Determine whether the group would like to propose READ as a 310-1 position
- Standards for READs,
- IPD (see tab on NWCG website "IPD development")
- eventually, work with training for training design plan

If moving toward the 310-1 path, possibly have Annie Benoit join READ Cohort call (or subteam) to provide briefing?

Darcy, happy to assist.

Agreed in principle to stand up subcommittee:

Necessary steps:

- Identify Mission, Objectives(Kristy, Andrew, first draft), Who(Lisa)
- Lisa send - Link to Cloud Vault site with materials, spreadsheet of contacts

0920: Fire Reporting - (20 minutes) Dianna Sampson

- InFORM Update
 - Forest Service, BLM, BIA, NPS plan to use - beginning January 1st
 - Approximately 35 staff testing at this time, need to fill-out both WFMI as well as INFORM
 - Mobile collection is available through Collector & Survey 1-2-3
 - Inspector is webform to edit
 - Once certified, data will push back to other systems
 - Agile development - update every 3 weeks - testers are finding bugs and those are getting fixed
 - Majority of federal requirements are consistent
 - Nice reporting tool - includes graphical display of summary information
 - Spatially enabled - will include point & polygon data
 - Not yet sure how to make canned reports available (WFMI/FamWEB replacement)? - maybe dashboards?
 - Working on rollout, most recent went really well
- Brainstorming - questions unable or difficult to consistently and accurately answer (feedback from the field)

1000: (20-40 minutes) How to complete Interagency online storymaps/FMPs

- Hosting (NIFC AGOL vs. Agency AGOLs, other options?)
 - NIFC org has worked well for Nevada
 - Interagency is important
 - Standards
- Requirements
- Standardized Data Capability

Want to:

look at FMP Spatially across boundaries

- Description of appropriate “type” of fire
- Fire-relevant management direction

Avoid No fire here neighbor says yes in operationally difficult location (align w/ neighbors where possible) (Suppression difficulty), PODS may be useful

Visible in webmapping, mobile, decision support applications

Scalable (capable of displaying relevant info at local as well as national levels, and audience)

Challenges:

NEPA Compliance

Approval Timeframes & process (interagency, including states)

Expertise, availability of technical specialists in the field to develop

Data currently lives in too many places (mobile, PC/Web, applications)...need flexible centralization...so only loaded in a single spot

This will be a longer term topic on future agendas as we work to define the IT Capability/Data requirement that we’re interested in

1020-ish NWCG Glossary Terms Assigned (~1 hour)

- MIST (Andrew Bailey) -
 - Minimum Impact Suppression Tactics and Minimum Impact Suppression Techniques used in different documents
 - Members felt that there was utility in both uses
 - Recommendation: add (AKA Minimum Impact Suppression Tactics) to existing NWCG definition
- Followup - Fire Management Program discussion, no need to pursue NWCG definition at this time (BIA is planning to pursue a definition for their use, request for Reeve share updates)
- Fire Planning - we previously developed a draft proposal (current and draft are on the spreadsheet linked below), are we ready to submit for further review?
Ran out of time on this one, will discuss next meeting.

Last meeting we prioritized the list and agreed to start with terms to potentially reassign/remove IFPC as a “co-owner”

[Remaining terms in need of review and revision.](#)

Standing Agency Topics (15-30 Minutes) - All

NWCG -

Annual Meeting scheduled for February 11-February 12th (this tends to be a useful orientation meeting for new members and catch-up for existing, interest in face-to-face meeting the day before (would be a Monday...)or after?)

BIA: no significant updates

States: N/A

Forest Service: Inform, budget concerns

WFM RD&A: Backfill hopefully behind Andrew Next Week, RD&A Business Lead for next gen is Erin Noonan Wright

FWS/NPS: Parks, Fish - working on AGOL - FWS 4 units working on products, NPS not as much data, group of staff in SE - working on some AGOL products, updating lots of FMPs

BLM: NEPA, CatEx's, Reviewed prototype Pyrologic Washington State Risk Assessment

NWCG Membership: see NWCG website (committee dropdown) re: membership types

Topics for Next Meeting & Upcoming Meetings/Calls

Topics for Next Meeting

2019 meeting schedule

Chair

Committee Roles (primary, liaison..., etc.)

Fire Planning - NWCG Glossary Definition

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
- Update M-581 content
- Develop standards for WFDSS
- Solicit SMEs to review the Resource Advisor Guide

Upcoming Meetings

November 12th, 0900-1200 MT