

National Coordination System Committee Conference Call Agenda

Team Meeting see invite for link

July 22, 2025
Time: 1300 MDT

Facilitator: NCSC Chair (Sean Peterson)

Participants: Jeff Lee, Hannah Page, Katie Williamson, Amy Lancaster, Andrea Lannen-Littlefield, Kara Stringer, Jared Lees, Anthony Johnson, Jerilynne Hayes, Gina Dingman, David Lee, Teresa Rose, Sarah Lee, Nicki Johnston

Agenda Items & Notes	Presenter
NCSC: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dispatch Academy Task Group UpdateDCAT UpdateIncident Business Committee UpdateACDP & ACOR AD Rate RevisionNew Membership	Sean Kara Jeff Jeff Sean
NWCG Update	Sarah Lee
Round Robin /SC Projects Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dispatch Position and Curriculum Management SC: GinaNational Interagency Computer Aided Dispatch SC: DavidBin Items:	Gina David All
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Dispatch Academy Task Group Update

Intermediate academy will occur the first two full weeks of November at the Redmond Training Center. Time period for student nominations for the intermediate academy has passed, received 31 nominations. Task group meets next week, will complete selections and send out pre-work. Cadre nominations are open through this week. Will open nominations in the fall for 2026 basic and advanced academies.

DCAT Update

DCAT intended to develop a national standard process to evaluate dispatch center workloads, identify recommended staffing, and determine dispatch costs based on workload by partnering organizational unit. The number that comes out of the dispatch center's total cost is a recommendation, not an intended invoice. The dispatch center's baseline will show the minimum that all agencies need to pay to participate, which each local coordinating group will decide.

DCAT Workbook outlines the elements associated with local dispatch centers with workload weighting. IRWIN DCAT interface includes dropdowns for amount, date range, and dispatch center to see which protecting agencies are associated with a cost, excluding counties.

Supply orders will not be integrated.

Limitations with data only going back to 2020.

Jurisdictional value and point of origin should be the same and can be added as data elements.

Prepositioned resources are not included in cost sharing due to agreements, usually by the center but often by the forest.

There should be no fires with associated dispatch unit IDs.

Katie and Kara will work on briefing paper for August meeting review.

Recommend adding a checklist/one-sheeter to show costs that should be included outside the budget.

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Incident Business Committee Update

FireNet requests for IMT3 incidents have spurred local center concerns as it's been difficult to get channels. Potential for RIST to request channels be built or push to allow Incident Business to have the capability to request channels.

NOAA continues to have travel card issues booking rental and NERV vehicles.

Working with National Training Officers (NTOs) on the IQCS Board to get an N number for the Incident Procurement Training course.

Master Agreement reviewing finance exhibits with interagency SMEs.

Incident Business Committee may see name change to Finance and Business Management Committee.

Push to acquire 500 StarLinks to distribute across individual regions and teams, reviewing responsible party.

Concern with IROC/eI-Suite issues for various pieces of equipment on incident resulting in manual entry and missing data.

Reviewing feedback for OF-289 form.

ACDP & ACOR AD Rate Revision

Cleanup needed with national Incident Business Leads.

IADP and ACDP are both AD-H.

IADP should be AD-H, and ACDP should be AD-I.

CORD is currently listed as an AD-J.

January 1, 2026, all A course education and classroom training will be required for CORD for greater utilization.

Expectation is that a Coordinator is able and has the training to oversee any of the functional area desks.

Separate Aircraft Coordinator position not an approved NWCG position.

ACOR is currently ordered as THSP (AD-I) with special needs comments.

Dispatchers with the appropriate qualifications should be ordered as CORD and paid accordingly.

Recommend that managers bring ADs on as CORD if they have the appropriate qualifications and utilize THSP for ACOR as a backup until January 2026.

Jeff's White Paper will be written to correct IADP to AD-H, and ACDP to AD-I. -Support

Message to coordination system the appropriate usage of CORD. -Support

New Membership

Sean will create draft memo for new membership positions.

NWCG Update

Finished all committee listening sessions with comments submitted last week.

FAQs will be updated based on questions that were asked.

EB will review feedback to make recommendations for reorg.

NWCG Coordinator and IPTM Program Manager hiring panels starts next week.

Reviewing certificates for 3 NWCG Training Specialists.

Dispatch Position and Curriculum Management

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National Interagency Computer Aided Dispatch

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