# National Coordination System Committee Conference Call Agenda

## **Team Meeting see invite for link**

February 28, 2023 Time: 1300 MST

Facilitator: NCSC Chair (Sean Peterson)

Participants: Sean Peterson, Kathy Pipkin, Gina Dingman, Claire Smith, Katie Williamson, Julie Polutnik, Jerald Naugle,

Kara Stringer, Jeffery Lee, Katie O'Hara

Guests: Nicki Johnston

| Agenda Items & Notes   | Presenter             |
|--|-----------------------|
| New Member Introductions   | Claire and Teresa     |
| NWCG Update  | Katie O'Hara          |
| NCSC: Update on any changes to current/carry over items.                   | All                   |
| Extension Request Form   | Sean                  |
| • FCAT   | Katie, Julie and Kara |
| PMS512 Update  | All                   |
| Position Descriptions  | Sean                  |
| • Letter to NIAC   | All                   |
| NWCG Website   | Sean/All              |
| NWCG Tool Kit  | Sean/All              |
| CIMT Data Standard   | Kara                  |
| Round Robin /SC Projects Updates   | All                   |
| <ul> <li>Dispatch Position and Curriculum Management SC: Gina</li> </ul>   |                       |
| <ul> <li>National Interagency Computer Aided Dispatch SC: David</li> </ul> |                       |
| <ul> <li>Website Redevelopment Project: Sean</li> </ul>                    |                       |
| o CDAT: Sean   |                       |
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| Date and Time of Next Call: March 28, 2023 - Reschedule                    |                       |

# **NWCG Update /Tool Kit**

Tool Kit final version will be sent out later this afternoon and will be turned into a website in the near future.

Includes updated standard templates for topics such as coordination between committees, chair rotations, setting meetings, etc.

Expectations of implementation of committee standards not necessarily included in the tool kit. –Revisit

Ex. Values of RISK analysis are not in line with values of standards for incident organizations.

Highlight the process of how we fix and how we expect timely products before fire season.

Revived IPT Program Manager position to assist with modernization effort.

# **Extension Request Form**

Several months out for NWCG formalization – on a pause.

Business needs requirement form needs to be sent over to WIFFIT in the coming months.

#### **FCAT**

Julie generating reports in IROC to meet needs of the Business Plan regarding cost appropriations.

Includes methodology, data elements, and how the reports are pulled.

Workload is based off the resource that is filled for incident-host organization.

Should dispatch cancels and cancel UTFs be pulled in the report as well? -Support

Some are truly just mistake requests and others are truly unfilled.

If dispatch cancel is being used due to mistaken ordering, it's being misused proportionately across the country.

These are both actions that are taken and the mistaken selections do need to be fixed which adds up for a workload.

Good portion of workload includes processing outside of GACC UTFs. How do we count the UTFs and who are they counted against?

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UTFs aren't counted because they were considered part of the baseline workload.

Should subordinates and support requests be included in the resource orders processed in and out report? – Support

Subordinates weren't initially added because reports are already being pulled for the parent crew and this could show duplicate counts.

If subordinate orders are being created, it is an additional workload and should be considered.

What about in centers with predominately subordinate requests through non-automated basis?

Subordinates and supports should both be considered.

When they're included, you are showing the true workload and gives better spotlight to the needs of the center, If FS unit has majority of crews hosted within the center, it would be fair for the FS to incur a significant portion of the cost.

Have received push-back on calling it the "fair share cost analysis tool" since the cost isn't ever going to be fairly distributed so have adopted "dispatch cost analysis tool" (DCAT). – Support DCAT nomenclature

Orders processed outside dispatch zone should not be included.

Transitioning from past to current systems has caused a loss of data so there isn't dashboard comparison data.

Data set currently includes everything from January 1, 2020 when data moved from ROSS to IROC as well as archived data back to 2012.

Nationally, all of the center reports should be comparatively equal with a larger data set for comparisons. At the local agencies, most centers want 10-year averages, though we could probably do a 5-year average which would better help all centers have a comparable data set based on capabilities.

We can make a suggestion but overall, the centers will have to decide what data set they are capable of providing. Should be able to set the dashboard filters based on the specific center needs.

Recommendation for each center to report a span of a 5-year average data set for national comparisons.

Would like to give the option on the dashboard to use either 3-year, 5-year, or 10-year averages. -Support

May have discrepancies within coordinating groups so would be a better compromise to give options without creating an overload of additional work.

Currently, they are trying to figure out how to get the data from the reports and into the IRWIN system.

There needs to be some form of national standardization. -Language has been added into the Red Book and is going to be added to the Mob Guide outlining the NWCG guidelines associated as well as adding application capability for validating against incorrect fires data.

## PMS 512 Update

Helicopter extraction document that needs to be reviewed, discussed, and updated.

Revisit next meeting.

# **Position Descriptions**

Group of SMEs met with classifiers to discuss tasks, knowledges, skills, etc. in PDs used in Tier 3 centers up to NICC.

Many participants were vocal about ensuring that the rewrite of these PDs will have buy-off from both DOI and USDA.

DOI is contracting outside source to complete survey to meet all requirements. – If it's delayed too long, in-person survey may be conducted at CDAT.

Survey will make sure nothing was missed in discussion as well as validate all of the points discussed.

When discussing PS, Intel was the only portion discussed.

FS is going to take a hard look at the PDs as they don't feel the GS levels necessarily reflect the work done from the local levels all the way up to the center manager level. – DOI may follow.

There will be an evaluation on what 90-day requirement should entail.

Participants were clear that there needs to be some sort of entry-level dispatch academy in order to broaden recruitment.

Look into funding streams so the academy is fully interagency.

Need to work to ensure that the DOI is on board as much as FS as they are going to go ahead with the 0456 series regardless.

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### Letter to NIAC

Last year, FS mandated fully qualified aircraft dispatchers for federal aircraft.

The memo stated that NCSC would submit a report to NIAC twice a year giving a progress update on qualified dispatchers.

Currently there are fewer aircraft dispatchers nationally than there were this time last year, despite the dispatch community working to get more people qualified.

Some roadblocks have included agency org charts preventing centers from having two aircraft dispatchers on staff PFT, FMOs not keeping center managers accountable for sending dispatchers out to get signed off, no available resources to backfill so that dispatchers can go out to be signed off, etc.

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Look over the memo to NIAC carefully and send feedback to Sean so it can be sent in the next month.

#### **NWCG Website**

All-chairs meeting presentation on new website – asks that all members take a look at the NCSC site and send any updates to Sean.

#### **CIMT Data Standard**

Valid values don't include CIMT.

In organizational assessment, they have Type 2/CIMT and Type 1/CIMT – Is this an interim, or will they be covered by simply adding a separate CIMT? – Add CIMT option

Some GAs will specifically not be accepting CIMTs this year, so you cannot get rid of the / options.

## Dispatch Position and Curriculum Management SC: Gina

D-110 ready to be given final stamp of approval.

D-310 held be SW as beta test and noticed that there needed updates.

D-311 working group currently at GB taking a look at moving forward with the big change being to pull WildCAD into the curriculum. 18 months out for an alpha and BigHorn group input.

D-312 not being touched until D-311 is finalized.

## National Interagency Computer Aided Dispatch SC: David Lee

NICAD live April 3-13.

6-10 more centers will be added followed by GAs being rolled out on week-by-week basis through late spring/early summer.

#### **Website Redevelopment Project: Sean Peterson**

Flying multiple 120-day details for website lead.

GAs to work on websites between now and September.

Working on hiring consecutive 120-day details as well as NTE 1-3 year detail.

#### **CDAT**

400+ folks signed up for courses.

Doubled A courses on Monday and Friday as well as increased room sizes to get as many people registered as possible.