National Interagency Aviation Committee Monthly Meeting Agenda & Notes

April 11, 2024

1300 Mountain Time *Via TEAMS*



\boxtimes	Welcome, March Minutes Review		Running Meeting – Mike Reid		
	Primary 1	Advisors			
Mike Reid, BLM (CHAIR)		Dave Underwood, BIA	Dave Schultz, NWCG		
Matthew Woodwick, NASF (VICE CHAIR)		Neal Laugle, NASF	Aaron Burrough, CalFire		
Chris Tipton, USFS		☐ John Buehler, NPS	Lori Clark, USFS Safety		
Beau Dobberstein, USFS		Brian Fennessy, IAFC	Keith Raley, OAS Safety		
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Additional Participants					
Leslie Casavan					
Lea Weinkauf					
Agenda Items		Outcome			
Information Discussion Decision Training	Topic – Standards for Air Tanker Operations – Leslie Casavan Intended Outcome: Discuss next step for approving NWCG Standards to include issuing PMS# Associated Documents(s): - Standards final draft (SharePoint site)		Final draft standards approved. Leslie will reach out to NWCG to get PMS #		
Information Discussion Decision Training	Topic – NIAC SOP's – Mike Reid Intended Outcome: Discuss review/editing of SOPs and establish deadline for inputs and approval. Associated Documents(s): - DRAFT SOP Document (pinned on SharePoint site)		Mike will finalize and send out for approval.		
Information Discussion Decision Training	Topic – Sub Committee Chair Briefing – Mike Reid Intended Outcome: Introduce the document for subcommittee chair inputs – explain process and approve for implementation. Associated Documents(s): - DRAFT Briefing Document (pinned to SharePoint site)		Format approved. Mike will send email to subcommittee chairs. Walker is going to coordinate restructure of Interagency Cooperator Aircraft and Pilot Standard Sub Committee		
Information Discussion Decision Training	Intended Outcome: (and attended by Vice- Associated Documen	ts(s): N/A			
☐ Information☐ Discussion☐ Decision☐ Training	Topic: AOBD Addition to Command & General Staff Intended Outcome: Discussion regarding DRAFT NIAC position paper on AOBD addition to IMT/CIMT C&G staff. Associated Documents(s): DRAFT NIAC Memo AOBD CG NIAC Memo Final (002)		Moved to May meeting.		
Information Discussion	Topic: 2025 IRPG Update Request		Edits approved. Some discussion regarding artwork with pilot		

Decision	Intended Outcome: Provide support for changes to the 2025	view. Mike will confirm if that
Training	IRPG.	artwork will be in final.
	Associated Documents(s): reference email for specific changes	
	requested by Justin Stramer-Smith (NPS) – Incident Operations	
	Subcommittee	

	Agency Updates	
BIA	 2nd Intel AA on contract 4/9, Bemidji, Alb. (one will be on special assignment in N. AZ late in Apr.) MWR severity; 1 AA, 1 SEAT, 1 SEWS, 1 T3Helic. Completed A-450 in Boise, successful week. New UAS A/C working well. Normal start dates for SW Helics. 3 in early May. Intel AA integration is getting better/easier. OK made good use of capabilities. 	
BLM	 EU SEAT Task Orders are being issued Lead Plane staffing in TX MAFFS training coming up end of month T2 Helicopter contracts being awarded soon First of Smokejumper aircraft are coming on in AK and L48 for train up 	
FS (Rotor)	•	
FS (Fixed wing)	 7 Lead.ASM available 5 LATS/1 VLAT available 3 EU ATGS available Multiple bases opening up throughout the month Retardant challenges continue MAFFS training coming up at the end of the month CASA also at the end of the month Challenges with inspections may increase 	
FWS	•	
IAFC	•	
NASF (East)	 4 State (FL, MN, OR, WA) Candidates to CASA end of the month. Quiet on the fire front. 	
NASF (West)	•	
NPS	 Staffing is an issue – will impact RW ops this summer • 	
OAS	•	
	Advisor Updates	
NWCG	 New NWCG website is live. Webmaster and Developer are working to resolve issues that couldn't be tested until the site was live. Many broken links to Aviation publications this is being worked on. How information is organized on the new site is a little different, with different file names/paths. Redirects are in place and working for most things from the legacy site. Might need to update your bookmarks if you're getting errors on the new site. Give the web team a week to work through their process of fixing things, they are aware of a lot of this issues. But feel free to let me know if something isn't work for you and I can pass it along to Web. Need some time with Mike/Matt to make sure we get the NIAC re-organization 	

	documented correctly on our website. I updated the Exec Board at the March meeting that NIAC is re-organizing to be more streamlined and efficient with subgroups and publications.
CalFire	•
USFS Safety	•
OAS Safety	•