

INTEL SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

DATE: 4/11/2019

MEETING INFORMATION

Date: Second Thursday of the month - most months

Time: 1100 AK, 1200 Pacific, 1300 Mountain, 1400 Central, 1500 Eastern

Conference Line: +1 (888) 844 -9904

Access Code: 3676834#

Online Meeting: N/A

ATTENDEES

Present	Member	
	Alaska	Gabriella Branson
	Eastern Area	James Silverstone
	Great Basin	Ronnie McCabe-Howell
	NICC	George Smith
	Northern CA	Troy Russel, N. Cal Phill Selegue
	Northern Rockies	Julie Polutnik, Becca Ward
	Northwest	Monica Ramirez
	Rocky Mountain	
	Southern	TJ Boyer
	Southern CA	Kelli Haggerty, S. Cal Brook Spellman
	Southwest	Jay Ellington
	Fire Desk	Isaiah Hirschfield

AGENDA

Item #	Topic	Lead / POC(s)
1	Unit Identifiers	George
2	Issues with Firecode	TJ
3	Decimal Reporting of Acres	James
4	Fall INTS Class	James
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DISCUSSION

Unit Identifiers -

Issues with Firecode - Forest Service Assist box in Firecode gets checked by dispatch and it doesn't take. Then they call for the GACC to fix it because the dispatch does not have that level of access. John Jacobson from NIFC is working on the problem. Should be resolved on April 24th rollout. Business rules say dispatch level data entry cannot have the permissions to edit. GACC administrators have these roles. This has not been written up and passed on to the business leads for Firecode. There needs to be a formal paper written and this needs to be resolved. Gabriella will write something up and send to the group.

Reporting Decimal Acres - In the Eastern Area we have been getting a lot of decimal acreages reported in their afternoon situation reports. Encouraged them to track decimal acres and add them whole acres to the Year to Date. Has been going on in other GACCs. It has improved. Old program did not accept decimal acreages but the new system does. Makes it difficult to do our reports because we have to round the numbers. NR is not discouraging it. Not worth it for Intelligence Coordinators to spend a lot of time on it.

Parker is planning on putting on a fall INTS class. He is waiting to find out if the Boise Training Center is available. Training is tentatively scheduled for November 4th. There could be a conflict with a planned construction project. Parker will need help. He does not have experience with putting on a class of the scope. Troy from North Ops reports that it does look good for a class in California this spring. TJ is coordinating with the Southern Area training team and looking at putting on an INTS class in 2021, possible in conjunction with the Eastern Area.

PSOG - Meeting next Thursday and Friday. Gabriella will be calling in to that meeting. They will be talking about expectations about how the PSOG functions, how they communicate to others, updates to FMB. FMB intent for Predictive Services and their mission. Predictive Services is supposed to include the meteorologists, Intelligence and fire behavior. Topic will be managing today's program. Products and concerns. NWCG relationships. Rocky Mountain Research Center update. Predictive Services Functional Work Groups even though Intelligence is a subcommittee. In their reports, they continue to call us the Intell Working Group. Resolving management uncertainties was the other bullet point. FMB Intent and the existing national program. Anticipating future decision spaces. Management concerns and implications. Strengths, Opportunities and Threats. That's the agenda for Thursday. Friday will be a half day where we talk about phase 2 alternatives as management intent. Alaska and NR provided a response to the Phase 2 report which will be discussed on Friday. A list of alternatives where the meteorologists felt where the program should go. Only a couple of Intell folks replied. It's supposed to be a starting point. Meteorologists are concerned about the possibility of being downgraded and contracted out to the weather service. Setting up for success or relating PSOG stakeholder desires. Known and unknowns. PSOG SME input. Matching the program for future needs. Consensus on what we want to achieve and first steps. Consider actions and realistic timelines and how we communicate to everybody. It's supposed to be predictive services but it seems like it's been focusing on the Meteorologists. It is concerning that you are told that you can't take notes and share that.

Add how to report Rx fires to the Sit/209 Users Guide.

NEXT MEETING

May 16th