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Guests: Harold (Dave) Updike (IMRR, USFS), Brian Gales (FWS), Stu Rodeffer (AZ State Forestry), Christa Hale (CDC/NIOSH/WSD)

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<p>SAFENET:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travis Parker (USFS) and Ted Adams (USFS) submitted paperwork to be administrators. Tim Blake is interim administrator. As SAFENET transitions into WFIT oversight, the RMC will need to develop an administrator role rotation, to include a primary and a backup administrator for each term. Is it time to reassess the effectiveness of SAFENET? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Looking into migrating it into WFIT. Suggestion to find out the field perception of SAFENET and its functionality Updike suggests first making SAFENET a refresher lesson during an IMRR call and helping learn/reacquaint themselves with the program 	<p>SAFENET</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Blake will take lead on agenda item. Fransted will help with WFIT. Updike will connect with SOFRs via IMRR calls.
<p>Ongoing Taskings and Projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Hazards Memo (McFarland): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presenting to NWCG Executive Board, in June as an informational briefing Tasking from H.R 3684 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to identify environmental hazards faced by wildland firefighters and create a list with existing mitigations. Incident Strategic Alignment Process (ISAP) Tasking Update (Fransted): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gap analysis is underway for SOFR with ISAP inclusion EMC is finalizing their project on typing of REMs. Rum Creek and Big Swamp Taskings Update (Blake): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TM-24-002: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft response to tasking 24-002 almost complete to be submitted back to the Executive Board. Discussion: Does having a REM assigned to the incident mitigate risk? Does it change the willingness of resources to engage in high risk activities? TM-24-003 and -004: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recommendation is to work on them together Task group needs RMC participation to update the medical incident report, ICS 206, ICS 220 and advising EMC SMEs from risk management perspective. Safety Officer Positions (Fransted): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Standards, job aids, trainings: When complete, consider a safety bulletin to explain the updated systems. Keep as an agenda item for brief updates until stabilized. 	<p>TM-24-003 and 004</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify RMC members to work with EMC task group Blake will be coordinator to facilitate work between committees Collaborate with EMC and NIAC <p>Safety Officer Positions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fransted will send out a draft briefing paper for comment on SOF3.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ SOFF: proceeding, into next stage, awaiting storyboard for review this will be S-204 Online Training. ▪ SOFR will transition into SOF3. SOFR name will go away and will be replaced with SOF3: ▪ SOFC: nothing new • Fatigue Project (Fransted): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ On-going project with RMC to research wildland firefighter fatigue ○ In final draft version of document to propose findings and potential solutions to the Fire Management Board. Identified three areas of fatigue and, within each area, two different cost/time options to mitigate them. ○ Laying groundwork for future changes in fatigue management in wildland fire. ○ Summer study will include USFS hotshot crews and a NEMO team to monitor fatigue using WHOOP bracelets. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 4 hotshot crews out of R3. Whoop bands and blood draws. 40 participants, with 6 females. Looking at hormones and muscle health indicators in the blood at benchmarks throughout the season. ▪ NEMO team – doing Whoop bands as pilot for sleep, daily activity, and strain. Exploratory to see what data turns up. • PMS 926 – Agency Administrator Guide to Critical Incidents (McFarland): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Meeting weekly to work through document. ○ Making progress, but it’s slow. • Respirator Memorandum (McFarland): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Presented to EB in April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Changed from decision to informational just before the meeting. ▪ Ask from EB is to include actionable items in the bulletin. ▪ Goal is to include input from other committees to be as thorough as possible while being concise ○ Complex issue since no product available meets NFPA standards or has been evaluated by a quality conformity assessment system for wildland firefighting. • OSHA Emergency Response Standard: <p>Open for public comment. Comments from DOI are ready to respond. FS sent initial response and OSHA responded with an ask for more information. DOI and USDA are coordinating response efforts.</p> 	
<p>RMC Website (McFarland):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safety Officer Toolkit items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Review existing items and make recommended updates through webmaster ○ IWI and Active Shooter are updated. Others are still under review. (per Updike) 	<p>RMC Website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Looking for a volunteer to review • Add OHSU Total Wildland Firefighter Health link

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify other links or documents that could be added or removed. Find use statistics and report out in June 	
<p>NWCG Update (Thomason):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New website is up. Any changes or broken links found, report to the Webmaster or Coordinator to get updated Reach out to Carmen or Katy O if any needs. 	N/A
<p>Subcommittees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mental Health Subcommittee (MHSC): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No one on 6 Minutes for Safety (6MFS) (West): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time change to third Thursday morning Week of Remembrance presentation on agenda for May EB Hazard Tree and Tree Felling Subcommittee (HTTFSC) (McFarland): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finalizing Faller 3 chainsaw course update Test course set up in Yosemite in mid-June. Hopefully ready for mid-fall or winter release. 	N/A
<p>Lessons Learned Center – Updates (Apland):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travis Dotson, incoming acting director Kelly Woods has 8 days left as director Light staff of 3 will be evaluating their capacity and workload <p>Tech and Science – Updates (West):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental hazards project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Smoke – first hazard to do a deep dive into for health effects information Minimum effective footwear <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final report with recommendations is with review and edits to normalize recommendations between oversight agencies Portable power project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Team members will be on select fires working on needs assessments. Sam Wu is contact for sustainable power needs <p>Round Robin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jones: Report released for Funston fire in North Carolina with dozer burnover with entrapment <p>Next Conference Call – June 13, 2024</p>	<p>Lessons Learned Center</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sign up for their email list

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