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Guests: Ben Evans (OWF), David MaClay-Schulte (USFS)

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Winter Face to Face Meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travis Dotson will check on Staff ride opportunities. 	N/A
SAFENET: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fransted was able to track down the original SAFENET group. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewing old briefing and proposal papers. Some discussion whether SAFENET is the platform to call attention to inappropriate behavior. 	McFarland will assist Phelps with formalizing the task group.
Ongoing Taskings and Projects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safety Officer Positions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Incident Position and Standards (IPSC) approved SOFR to become SOF3. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Change will be reflected in the January 2025 version of the 310-1. S-204 course- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delay has been due to SME availability. Fatigue Project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reviewed briefing paper and discussed options for moving forward. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will be requesting direction from Fire Management Board. Firefighter work/rest ratios, capturing some fatigue management practices from teams and can we make any of this policy. Propose policy changes through individual agencies. Federal Wildland Firefighter Health and Wellbeing: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seven Behavioral Health Officers have been hired. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working on a communication package for in briefing. Clinical services contract will be closing this week, and a selection should be made soon. Two Industrial Hygienists onboarded from the USFS. Creating an exposure report, framework and guidance for thresholds and mitigations. Sleep webinar will be out November 7. Piloted some real-time monitors during fire season. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Looking for high level trends. CDC will be conducting a retrospective cohort mortality study. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Looking at cause of death and cancer link. PMS 926 – Agency Administrator Guide to Critical Incidents: 	Navarro will be reaching out to Safety Officers for a representative for a survey focus group. Federal Wildland Firefighter Health and Wellbeing Program U.S. Department of the Interior (doi.gov)

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Will reconvene on this project in November. ● Respirator Bulletin: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Approved by NWCG Executive Board and posted on the NWCG webpage under ALERTS. 	
<p>RMC Website:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Need to update roster by the end of November. 	Contact McFarland with RMC roster updates.
<p>OSHA ER Standard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Public meeting scheduled for November 12. ● NWCG submitted a letter stating their standards should be considered within the rule, but we did not seek that NWCG be recognized as a voluntary consensus standard making body. ● Need to increase engagement with NFPA committees. 	N/A
<p>Subcommittees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Mental Health Subcommittee (MHSC): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Finished up Suicide Prevention week. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Will be hosting an AAR. ○ Working on potential mental health WFSTAR. ○ Revision of Preparedness Guide. ● 6 Minutes for Safety (6MFS): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reviewed web submissions for topics. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Moving forward with egress time, solar and marijuana farms topics. ▪ Addition of a complacency topic. ▪ Update lightning topic. ○ Possibility to add a National Weather Service representative for 6MFS. ● Hazard Tree and Tree Felling Subcommittee (HTTFSC): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Finalizing Faller 3. ○ S-112 should be completed by January 2025 ○ SMEs engaged in working on the FAL2 online training with contractor Softek, currently in the training design and story board phase. 	Evans will reach out to Proud regarding updating the lightning 6MFS topic.
<p>LLC – Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Working on a podcast. ● Submissions of rapid lesson sharing (RLS) have dropped off, 180 incidents so far. ● Advertising the director position. ● Currently have received 163 reports so far this year, last year we had 140. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Many are RLS 	Reminder to use template when submitting RLS.
<p>Tech and Science – Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Environmental hazards project 	N/A

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Working on communication plan for the field.○ Smoke- discussed the exposure form that some handcrews received.○ Requesting feedback from the form.○ Compiling data from the WHOOP band project.● Dozer curtains identifying standards.● Non-spec fire shelters found again on the open market.	