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Guests: Michael Guarino (HTTFSC), Travis Dotson (LLC),

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Decision

SAFENET:

- SAFENET program is still functional.
- SAFENET work group having regular meetings to develop recommendations for redesign and re-platforming the program.
- Jaclyn Rutan (BLM) is the current SAFENET administrator and can be reached through the DOI directory.

N/A

Ongoing Taskings and Projects:

- **Safety Officer Positions:**
 - Job aids J-301 review:
 - Part of the S-204 course development through the Incident Performance and Training Modernization (IPTM) process.
 - Provides topics to raise awareness and critical thinking.
 - This format will be easy to maintain and update.
 - One of the last pieces to approve for S-204.
 - Transition memo draft:
 - Complied Safety Office position updates and upcoming courses.
 - Request of change (RFC) for S-404 course requirement:
 - Would like to submit an RFC that requires S-404 for upper-level safety positions.
- **Federal Wildland Firefighter Health and Wellbeing:**
 - Working on a PPE, laundering, and decontamination safety bulletin with the ETC.
 - Recommends having a washing machine at your unit to wash Nomex separately.
 - Separate dirty clothing from clean inside your bag.
- **Agency Administrators Guide to Critical Incidents, PMS 926:**
 - DOI reviewing.
 - Want to make inclusive for state partners.
- **Incident within and Incident (IWI) Task Group:**

Safety Officer:
 APPROVAL of J-301.
 APPROVAL to move forward with the memo.
 APPROVAL to submit an RFC for S-404 requirement.

PMS 926:
 Will forward the link out once DOI has reviewed the document.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NWCG Executive Board is supportive of moving forward. 	
<p>Winter Meeting Decisions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Safety Gram: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Maintain the Safety Gram reporting criteria to capture acute injuries, illnesses, shelter deployments, entrapments, and burnovers. ○ Identify a task group in March to review and update the current (2018) criteria by the end of April. ● Environmental Hazard Mitigation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Work with Equipment Technology Committee (ETC) to develop a safety bulletin highlighting the importance of cleaning PPE. ● Risk Management Training: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Identify a task group to develop a list of risk management terms and definitions to be submitted to the NWCG glossary. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Whelan has generated a list from the USFS. ● Safety Officer Toolkit: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Continue to work with Emergency Medical Committee (EMC) to evaluate and recommend improvements to the 2024 IWI Plan template to include regular discussions with NWCG Coordinators. 	<p>Safety Gram- McCowan, Dotson, West, and Whelan will form the task group to review and update the Safety Gram criteria. Whelan will send out the meeting invites.</p> <p>Risk management training- Whelan, Fransted, and McFarland will form the risk management terms and definitions task group. Whelan and Fransted will set up the box folder.</p>
<p>Fatigue Management Next Steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Sent RMC the Fire Executive Council memorandum. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ NWCG to revise the guidance and clarify activities which are allowable during pay status. ○ NMAC and Joint Fire Science also listed with taskings. ● Briefing the Executive Board (EB) at their March meeting. 	N/A
<p>Lessons Learned Committee (LLC):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● With limited staffing many of our products will be delayed. ● Will try and maintain presence on committees. ● New podcast coming out tomorrow. 	N/A
<p>Subcommittees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 6 Minutes for Safety (6MFS): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Week of Remembrance drafts in progress will be sent to RMC for review in April. ○ Working group and daily topics drafts in progress. ○ Webmaster is working on 6MFS site design changes to increase interaction and webform submissions. ○ Interest from the field to convert the Wildland Firefighter Foundation’s 100 Fire Project to a This Day in History topic for 6MFS. ● Hazard Tree and Tree Felling Subcommittee (HTTFSC): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>NWCG Standards for Wildland Fire Chainsaw Operations</i>, PMS 212 has been updated. ○ S-112: Introduction to Chainsaw Operation. New Course overview presentation by Jonathan 	APPROVAL of S-112 course.

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<p>Winskie from NWCG Training</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Includes updated PMS-212 Standards for wildland fire chainsaw operations ▪ Includes new Position Taskbook. Current taskbooks will expire on November 1, 2025 ▪ Position training is expected to go live on the learning portal by the end of March. ▪ Legacy S-212 course can be taught until November 1, 2025. ▪ Online pre-work and 3 days of hands on 	
<p>LLC – Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Infographic available. • First rapid lesson sharing (RLS) for the year. 	N/A
<p>Tech and Science – Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working on some follow up with the carcinogen review paper. • Our four CAP, hazard assessment, and portable power projects are moving along. • Starting our second year of WHOOP band and fatigue studies. 	N/A