



## NWCG Smoke Committee Conference Call 1/16/2020



### Present:

Dan Chan (GA Forestry)  
David Mueller (BLM)  
Doug Whisenhunt (NRCS)  
Gary Curcio (IPA)  
Josh Hyde (Univ of Idaho)  
Lou Ballard (FWS)  
Mark Fitch (NPS)  
Mary Uhl (Westar)  
Colby Jackson NWCG  
Tammy Eagan (FL)

### Action Items

- Action item Dave and Mark: NWCG video, a couple questions that facilitators can use to generate discussion.
- Action Item Mark: Work with Pete to get information on what the SOF#/MEDL/LOG# video take home messages are for each position and send this on to the Risk Management Subcommittee who oversees those positions.

### Wildfire and smoke activity round robin

- Sent several US fire personnel to Australia ~170 people to Australia from NIFC, with ~140 deployed as another group goes out. Next week they are planning on sending another group out.
  - They plan on being there for a while, so they are on 30 day assignments

### NWCG Business

- IDP changes needed for SOF# and MEDL – Update?
  - Both will be reviewed by risk management and post more broadly for comments. Safety officer draft is done and will be posted soon. Med unit is winding down and expecting to get something out before fire season
- Work underway by group for FFT2 and S-130 inclusion of Know the Hazards of Smoke Video
  - 1) Review WFSTAR Smoke video,
  - 2) Assess video training guide,
  - 3) develop discussion guide
- Smoke, Roadways and Safety Guide – Group in final review
  - Working team coordinating on some tables to make sure they match up throughout
  - NWCG video, a couple questions that facilitators can use to generate discussion.
- Smoke Management Field Guide Effort – Development team call Feb 7th
- SOF#/MEDL/LOG# video progress – Contract with SOF1 being supported by NWCG
  - NWCG wants to ensure the Risk Management committee is in the loop on the video.
- NWCG project funding – Any New ideas? Due date is January 17.

### Continuing NWCG projects:

- SERA Funding – Ongoing project – no funds identified for 2021
- Smoke Mgt Field Guide – Ongoing project – no funds identified for 2021



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- SAM – Ongoing project - \$10k to use 2020 – no funds identified for 2021
- Safety Officer Training – Ongoing project \$55k for use in 2020 must be obligated by 6-1-20
- Smoke and Air Quality for Land Mgrs revision – Ongoing project \$15k for 2020 and again \$15k **2022**

### New or repeat requests:

- PB Piedmont improvement – Have not yet heard from Pete on this.
- Smoke field guide video - \$25k with SW and NAU, NWCG directly fund?
- Rx 410 Assessment and re-write - \$20k for 2021 and \$100k for 2022 to cover substantial online development –
- **Smoke exposure guide revision - ????**

### Round Robin Topics

#### Upcoming Workshops-SmoC Participation

- Next International Smoke Symposium will be in April 20-24, 2020, Location Raleigh, NC.
  - [Action Item All] If you want to be involved with ISS3 (committee members, board members, presenters, etc.) let Pete know.
  - [Action Item All] ISS3 - Pete will send new Call for papers announcement, please post widely.
  - Gary is setting up a field day prescribed burn. There may a field day at ORD in Raleigh. It is well balanced between east and west. Panels are being narrowed down with members from WHO, Federal and public health. Encourage folks for talks and ignite talks. Planners are trying to encourage younger audience members to take part.
- WESTAR Spring Business Meeting – April 21-22, 2020
- Childhood Health and Wildfire Smoke – Week of April 28<sup>th</sup>. Invite only in Sacramento. Product-oriented workshop with Pediatric Health, EPA, etc. Pete will convey conclusions to SmoC.
- Air Sensors International Conference May 12-15 2020. Pasadena CA.  
<https://asic.agrc.ucdavis.edu/>
- American Meteorological Society (AMS) 13<sup>th</sup> Fire and Forest Meteorology Symposium. May 12-14, 2020. Palm Springs, California. <https://www.ametsoc.org/index.cfm/ams/meetings-events/ams-meetings/13-fire-and-forest-meteorology-symposium/>

### Subcommittee Roundup

#### Technical Smoke Topics

- No News

#### Smoke Managers

- No News

#### Training

- No News

### Round Robin Topics

- None

### WEBINAR:

**A Case Study on Colorado Ventilation Adjectives by Tim Mathewson and Jay Charney**