

Wildland Fire Investigation Subcommittee (WFISC)

Conference Call Agenda

April 27, 2021

12:30 pm PDT

WFISC Members: <https://www.nwcg.gov/committees/wildland-fire-investigation-subcommittee/roster>

WFISC Members in Attendance this Call: Jerry Hepler (USFS, Chair), John Bird (NASF, Vice Chair), Scott Fischer (BLM, Primary Member), Jay Hinshaw (BIA, Primary Member), Jeff Bonebrake (NASF, Primary Member), Brian Clavier (NASF, Primary Member), Jan Lemons (NPS, Primary Member), Neil Miller (NASF, Primary Member), Carrie Bilbao (CEPC Liaison), Alan Carlson (Associate Member), Curt Cogan (Associate Member), Jeff Henricks (Associate Member), Ken Ness (Associate Member), Gary White (Associate Member), Trevor Maynard (Associate Member), Richard Woods (Associate Member)

Others in Attendance this Call:

Welcome and Agenda Expectations – Jerry Hepler

NWCG Comments – Annie Benoit and/or Deb Fleming

Agenda Topics:

- Introduction of National Park Service Chief Ranger Jan Lemons
- NFPA 921 – Participation with the Technical Committee, Jerry Hepler
 - Jerry Hepler led a discussion on options for WFISC participation with NFPA Technical Committee (TC). Levels of participation are listed below:
 1. Place a WFISC member on the TC
 2. Put 2 - 4 WFISC members on the NFPA Wildland Fire Task Group
 3. Ad hoc SME's for the TC on wildland fire investigation
 4. No contact, sever all connections
 - Gary White asked if there could be multiple options selected by the committee.
 - John Bird motioned to have WFISC provide SME to the NFPA921 Technical Committee (Option 3). The motion was seconded by Scott Fischer. No further discussion. Chair Jerry Hepler asked for a vote of primary members present, motioned passed with 6 votes in favor.
- INVF and INVL Educational Page - Fire Prevention and Education page for the new NIFC website currently in development, Carrie Bilbao.
 - Carrie discussed the progress of the page and the need for review of the information for the page. Discussion on the difficulty of deciphering the edits and Carrie will send a cleaner version for review. Carrie also discussed need for some additional photos and provided a list

to members. Popular Mechanics article link will be removed due to concerns over information about how to construct an incendiary device in the article.

- Jerry Hepler discussed that Annie Bender has ended her tour as committee NWCG Coordinator and that Deb Fleming will be returning.
- FI-110 – Publication Update, Jesse Bender
 - Jesse discussed that the webmaster has the details and we are awaiting Level 2 certification. She still needs a summary of changes and a course materials list. Jerry Hepler indicated he would work on that. Jesse stated she is hopeful that an announcement for the FI-110 course release can go out on Monday.
- Incident Position Descriptions and Position Task Books, Annie Benoit and Jerry Hepler
 - Review INVL Comments - the WFISC discussed and provided feedback for the questions that were ask of the updated INVF IPD.
 - INTM (INVL) Request for Change (RFC) resubmitted - INTM will be archived. INVL will use the archived INTM position taskbook that will be updated to reflect the position changes. The Incident and Position Standards Committee (IPSC) will review the RFC at their next scheduled meeting in May.
- FI-310 – Task Team Update, Jerry Hepler and Scott Fischer
 - FI-310, Class Questionnaire and Approval
- PMS 412 – Revision Update and Advancing, Backing and Lateral Discussion, Alan Carlson
 - Alan updated that some chapters have been sent for committee review, he is working on chapter 4 and expects that to take a couple months.
 - Discussion on SME assistance/review of chapters and content and when that would occur.
- K9 Mnemonics, John Bird – Tabled until next meeting
- Next WFISC Microsoft Teams Meeting
 - Date: May 27, 2021
 - Time: 12:30 PDT
 - Location: Virtually on Microsoft Teams and Conference Line