



Wildland Urban Interface Mitigation Committee

Conference Call Minutes – November 6, 2019

Notes by: Jeremy Taylor

Time: 1200 MT

Roll Call:

Jennifer Hansen, Jeremy Taylor, Jolene Ackerman, Marty Cassellius, Jon Skinner, Sarah McCaffrey, Jon Bruno, Nichole LaRosa, Pam Leschak, Deb Fleming

Approve October Minutes:

Motion to approve October minutes by Pam Leschak, Second Sarah McCaffrey - approved

New Members and Need for Committee Member Replacements

- Introductions for Nicole and Steve
 - Nicole La Rosa – FEMA Senior Policy Specialist, Washington D.C.
- Discussions on the charter and seeking information for existing documents on the WUIMC Charter or a committee work plan to establish roles and requirements.

NWCG S-130 Life Safety Unit, WUI Topic Version 4 Feedback and Review

- Please review Version 4 and bring any comments/changes to the call. This is the last opportunity before it is submitted.
- Pam incorporated comments already within the document
- Jennifer had no comments
- Sarah suggests that the slide referring to the public panicking when they remain on-site be removed (is counter to what the research shows). This is a statement in the IRPG. If slide cannot be removed, remove that portion of the text and update the IRPG in the future.
- ***Final Comments or additions due by Friday November 8th, 2019.**

NWCG Glossary Definition of Wildland Urban Interface Changed

- Federal Wildland Fire Policy changed the definition which removed the 2nd sentence. Committee will decide if we should maintain the definition with the 2nd sentence or use the new term.
- Pam motioned to support the new definition, second Sarah.
- All approved.

Building a Mitigation Infrastructure

- Review paper Pam sent out with the Forest Service and Partners to build Community Mitigation Infrastructure
- Document was sent out and is proposed to provide guidance to the committee.
- Committee discussed the best practices training and utilization of the document
- Further discussion and review of the document may generate a work plan for the WUIMC and may be beneficial for further discussion.
- ***Further discussions will be on December 4th call.**

Reminders

- WUI Committee Face-to-Face Meeting, Boise Feb. 25-27: Best Mitigation Practices training Feb. 25-26 (NIFC) and committee meeting on the 27th (NWCG Office).
- **Deb will find a room at the NWCG building.*
- **Jon Skinner volunteered to secure a block of rooms in the hotel.*
- FY21 NWCG funding requests due Jan. 17
 - ** Jolene* - Send out FY21 NWCG funding guidance to the entire committee.

Round Robin (skipped)

Meeting adjourned @ 1310 MT

Next meeting: December 4, 2019 (conference call)