



Conference Call Minutes – December 4, 2019

Notes by: Jeremy Taylor

Time: 1200 MT

Roll Call:

Jennifer Hansen, Jeremy Taylor, Jolene Ackerman, Marty Cassellius, Sarah McCaffrey, Nichole LaRosa

Approve October Minutes:

Motion to approve November minutes by Jeremy Taylor, Second Sarah McCaffrey - approved

New IAFC Member Replacement

- Jeremy Taylor, Colorado Springs Fire Department will be representing the IAFC

Update: IRPG WUI section, panic during evacuations

- Jolene submitted a change to the IRPG regarding the removal of “which may cause panic” when referring to property owners remaining onsite (IRPG, pg. 13). The information was well received by NWCG. The wording was also removed from the S-130 PowerPoint slide that was submitted in November.

FY21 NWCG funding guidance

- Question presented: Was there a need for any funding assistance for the WUIMC?
 - No funding needs were identified.

NWCG Glossary Terms relating to Wildland Fire Investigations

- Any comments and edits related to the glossary terms are due by **December 27th, 2019**.
- Website: <https://www.nwcg.gov/glossary-request>

Building a Mitigation Infrastructure, continued

- Continued group discussion to determine areas of agreement and possible committee work plan items.
- Committee member interest in the research that supports the items listed in “Here’s what we know”
- A suggestion was made for a list of talking points that can be vetted by the committee regarding topics related to building a mitigation infrastructure (with one committee member especially interested in talking points for code adoption).
 - The intent would be to have specific messaging related to what would work for mitigation practitioners and what does not work. The target audience would be for those

that work in the field of mitigation or at a higher level. The WUIMC could generate these items and possibly disseminate these specific messages regarding what will work for mitigation vs what will not work related to wildfire mitigation.

- ****Task for discussion**** Develop talking points and identify the research that would provide talking points based on the document for messaging this concept. Also identify a way in which Building a Mitigation Infrastructure can be shared with practitioners and those that are involved with mitigation.
- There are several items in the “What we can do” section that has been a part of Pam’s work, including the Best Practices training, CMAT, and WUI Mitigation Specialist position.
 - **Questions for Pam:** How does the committee fit into this work? Will the WUI Mitigation Specialist be an NWCG position or in the federal supplement? Does a task book or job aid need to be developed and can the WUIMC assist? What specific products do you envision being developed to help move the mitigation infrastructure concept forward?

WUI Committee Training and Meeting – Boise, Feb. 25-27

- Hotel: Residence Inn Boise/Downtown – **book by Jan. 25**
- Best Mitigation Practices training Feb. 25-26 (NIFC) and committee meeting on the 27th (NWCG Office).
- **Register for the training via:** <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/75195970171>
- Expectations from the training should be clarified.

Round Robin

- IAFC has two documents relating to mitigation for the Fire Service – **Jeremy will share**

Note:

- WUIMC meetings will continue to occur for the 2020 year every first Wednesday of the month, with the exception to the January 2020 Meeting, as follows:
 - 1400 EASTERN TIME
 - 1300 CENTRAL TIME
 - 1200 MOUNTAIN TIME
 - 1100 PACIFIC TIME

Meeting adjourned @ 1306

*Next meeting: ****January 8th, 2020*****