



## **Wildland Urban Interface Mitigation Committee**

### **Minutes – August 3, 2022**

Notes by: Faith Berry

Time: 1200 MT 8/3/2022

#### **Roll Call**

Faith Berry, Erin O'Connor, Jolene Ackerman, Dan Beveridge (NASF West Rep.), Sarah Lee, Ashley Whitworth, Sheryl Page, Annie Schmidt

Can outsource and recruit someone for notetaking and administrative support to the committee per Sarah Lee. Asked for nominations for Secretary, but no one volunteered. Standing need for Secretary/ Historian.

#### **Approve June and July Meeting Minutes**

Motion to approve and seconded. Will send to Sarah Lee to post on the web.

#### **Follow-up Items**

- Definition Revision Requests for co-owned terms (Sarah, Annie)  
Annie and Sarah will email out document working on for review then once done can pursue process. If other committees are involved, will work with NWCG Coordinators to make the connections to complete requests.  
  
Need to ensure NWCG glossary of terms are updated following NWCG procedures.
- HIZ/SIZ/structure hardening terminology discussion (All)
  - Recommendation: Use Structure Ignition Zone (SIZ) and include information that bridges that term with other terms used, such as Home Ignition Zone (HIZ) and Defensible Space.
  - Recommendation: Use Structure Ignition Resistance and include information that bridges that term with other terms used such as home hardening, structure hardening, and fire resistance.

#### **2022 Face-to-Face Meeting (All)**

- Planned Dates: November 1-4, 2022. Currently up in the air, because we don't know about travel budgets, etc. Plan B will be a multi-phase virtual meeting.
- Proposed Locations: Colorado Springs and Boise. Ashley formulating a plan if we are doing a in-person meeting or else the committee will host a virtual meeting. Plan for a 3-day meeting and with two travel days.
- Planning Committee: Dan, Asley, and Erin in Colorado Springs.

## **Wildfire Mitigation Field Guide (Sheryl)**

- Report-out and update Group got through a lot of edits. Meeting again on August 10<sup>th</sup> to finalize final chapters, graphics, and pictures. Getting close to completion.

## **Wildland Urban Interface Mitigation Standard (Erin, Faith)**

- Report-out on status Had a good meeting, made some edits, and still have some marching orders to finish off. Will do final check (side by side) to make sure they are aligned. Predict one or two additional meetings to wrap things up. Will send out doodle poll for next meeting.

## **Report-outs/Round Robin (All)**

Faith and Annie shared initial info about the Community Wildfire Defense Grant (CWDG) program, which now has four Notice of Funding Opportunities posted on grants.gov. Excellent information on the FAC Learning Network. Home Hardening not allowed, but so many other projects are available. It is a process to apply and must obtain a SAMS number; it takes time to do. Now a process to apply for webinars.

Sheryl shared information from the US Forest Service. The website is a key piece for getting information.

FACNET soft launched on Fire Adapted website. Re-launched domain this week with resource library available. Example of plans from across the West. Not public, yet still adding resources. If you have resources you would like to see added, please ask us. Also includes full Spanish version.

Dan has Home Ignition Guide, Fire in the Western US a story map, that was developed through JSVP.

Some people have access to MS Teams and some don't. Will schedule a meeting to try and work on Teams access.

## **Meeting adjourned 12:44**

*Next meeting: September 7, 2022 (Regular meeting via conference call)*