

Wildland Urban Interface Mitigation Committee

Agenda - November 1, 2023

Time: 1200 MT 11/1/2023

Roll Call

Erin O'Connor, Daniel Beveridge, Jon Skinner, Faith Berry, Marty Casselius, Sheryl Page, Ashley Whitworth, Jolene Ackerman, Jonathan Bruno

Approve October Meeting Minutes

No edits/discussion. Motion to approve: F. Berry; Second: S. Page

Discussion/Follow-up Items

- WUI Definition (Steward: FMB) "The line, area, or zone where structures and other human development meet or intermingle with undeveloped wildland or vegetation fuels."
 - Good discussion at the end of the last meeting
 - Likely more complex an issue than originally thought
 - o E. O'Connor interested in continuing this progression and cooperation with the other committee
 - Internal discussion is warranted
 - Consider forming a working group when the meeting is held
- WUIMC SOPs
 - Has not met for a little while; desire to have solidified by the time leadership transition in the spring (April)
- Wildfire Mitigation Field Guide (Sheryl)
 - O No update hoping that no news is good news
 - Page interested in a numbers request
 - Get numbers into Page or O'Connor by December meeting
 - Initial printing free and covered by the cache
 - Additional copies responsibility of the requesting agency
- Standard Updates (Erin)

Report-outs/Round Robin (All)

Skinner - BLM has chosen to adopt the WM team member and lead positions

- Looking to copy training and experience requirements
- Considering grandfathering of folks that have exposure
- BLM has more SMEs in this realm than ever before
- Suggestion for another national interagency meeting to address broad subjects related to WF Mitigation in 2024 or 2025

Interested in volunteers from this group or otherwise to support planning Question about who used to coordinate this in the past, thought it was NWCG

Bruno - Endorsed a non-agency mitigation curriculum | a type of standardized recognition

• FDX, TREX, ASIP, otherwise exist

- Proposal to deliver a summary of this curriculum at the next meeting for the committee to consider **Page** Jerry Perez, USFS Fire Director retirement
 - Maureen Brooks, USFS Branch Chief retirement

Outreaching for a detailer into this position, closing soon

Flying the position as soon as approval received

o Extension for Round 2 of CWDG to November 4th

O'Connor - This Friday the NWCG coordinator role will switch

o Will send out some polls to address issues for the New Year

Likely to cancel the January meeting

Berry - Asked who would be around at the CS Workshop and proposed a get together of some sort

Meeting adjourned

**Next meeting: December 6, 2023, via Microsoft Teams Video Conference