



## **Wildland Urban Interface Mitigation Committee**

# **Meeting Minutes – November 6, 2024**

Time: 1200 MT 11/6/2024

### **Roll Call**

E. O'Connor, J. Ackerman, S. Page, A. Whitworth, J. Hansen, J. Bruno, J. Skinner, L. Harger

### **Approve Meeting Minutes (August)**

Motion by J. Ackerman; Seconded by S. Page

### **Discussion/Follow-up Items**

- Wildfire Mitigation Field Guide status (Erin, Sheryl)

O'Connor shared that the NWCG Publications group provided an update and asked for a few things to be addressed in the field guide document. S. Page, J. Bruno, and E. O'Connor stayed after the meeting to discuss and finalize the document/addressed the last comments from the Pub. Group.

J. Ackerman asked about printing copies of the field guide, as the committee had provided numbers to the publications group. Printed copies of the guide will be available for order at the cache.

O'Connor will send follow-up email to committee members with links to the following doodle polls for working group meetings.

- WUI Mitigation Training (All)
  - <https://doodle.com/meeting/participate/id/ax9JBEEb>
- WMTM/L positions working group kickoff meeting (All)
  - <https://doodle.com/meeting/participate/id/aOqAoBrd>

L. Harger from Bureau of Reclamation joined the meeting and shared about her agency and their wildland fire program. They have an interest in the WUI positions and the committee has an interest in working closely with Harger.

S. Page provided an update on the positions and how USFS is working to incorporate the grandfathered individuals into CMAT assignments/training. Bruno and others are meeting with CIMT incident commanders to discuss the positions and how they may work more closely with IMTs or as a preparedness resource on local units. Integrating these positions with IMTs has been tested on CMAT assignments and there has been good feedback. Now, working on the logistics and socializing the positions among key groups.

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

- S. Page provided an update on CWDG Round 3 and to keep an eye out for additional information. She emphasized utilizing the resources provided to assist with the applications. Page also shared some efforts with USFS Communications and messaging. She mentioned the Communications Alliance and how they gave a presentation to CEPC, which may be something our committee is

interested in. O'Connor mentioned the F. Berry will serve (officially) as a liaison between the two committees and may be able to help facilitate that.

- J. Bruno shared the following links:
  - <https://grist.org/wildfires/wildfires-southeast-landowners-prescribed-burns/>
  - <https://www.fs.usda.gov/working-with-us/navigators>

**Meeting adjourned**

*\*\*Next meeting: December 4, 2024, via Microsoft Teams Video Conference*