



Wildland *U*rban *I*nterface *M*itigation Committee

Minutes – November 5, 2025

Time: 1200 MT 11/5/2025

Roll Call – Martin Cassellius, Sheryl Page, Ashley Whitworth, Daniel Beveridge, Jennifer Hansen, and Steven Gaskill.

Approve Meeting Minutes (October)

Jennifer made a motion to approve October minutes; Sheryl seconded the motion. Members will work on consolidating notes for September's minutes.

Discussion/Follow-up Items

- **Report from the NWCG Connections Call** – Marty
 - Executive Board (EB) approved the restructuring with the implementation date of July 1, using the month of June as a soft transition. Biggest difference will be the DOI unification – one primary and one alternate representative for each committee. Since there are only two DOI agencies represented on our committee, we may not see a huge impact on this. The NWCG Annual Meeting is February 18-19 in Boise.
- **WUI Mitigation Training** – Jennifer/Jonathan/Steven
 - The Project Intake Form was submitted to Joe Schindel for WFSTAR RT-130 mitigation video. Steven talked to Joe as a follow-up, and it was discussed that Joe wants to meet with members to get more information on the direct connection to operations. Jennifer will set up a meeting with Joe and invite Jon, Sheryl, and Daniel. It was mentioned that the production schedule is full for spring 2026 so it's not a yes or no, but more refinement is needed.
 - Sheryl talked to USFS workforce development group about the apprenticeship program that has electives required so we could explore including training there.
 - National Fuels Academy – use of WUI Mitigation Field Guide. Conversations are on hold until the DOI unification is completed in January.
- **WMTM/L positions** (Jennifer) – In the process of drafting a briefing document that outlines how states can adopt positions from the federal supplement. She'll send a draft by the December meeting. We will need to figure out how to disseminate the information using NASF members.
- **Committee Members Replacements** – Steven thought we could move forward with replacing a few of the NASF members (Northeast and Southern). Daniel had been working with NASF EB representative to recommend Dave Celino from MA. Daniel and Steven will work to see the progress and if it's been approved. Marty will reach out to Erin for Southern representative recommendation.

Report-outs/Round Robin (All)

- **BLM** – Nothing to report currently. BLM is awaiting news on the DOI unification.
- **USFS** – Shutdown continues. Regions focused on mitigation and prevention reporting options.
- **BIA** – Lots of unknowns with DOI unification. Prescribed fire projects continue.
- **NASF Western Rep** – More new committees focused on code and other WUI initiatives.

Meeting adjourned

***Next meeting: December 3, 2025, via Microsoft Teams Video Conference*