



Wildland Urban Interface Mitigation Committee

Minutes — February 4, 2026

Time: 1200 MT 2/4/2026

Roll Call: Martin Cassellius, Sheryl Page, Daniel Beveridge, Jennifer Hansen, Jonathan Bruno, and Steven Gaskill.

Approve Meeting Minutes (January)

Jennifer made a motion to approve the minutes from January; Sheryl seconded the motion.

Discussion/Follow-up Items

- **Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Mitigation Training** — Jennifer/Jonathan/Steven
 - The group continues to refine proposal to meet WFSTAR objective in time to submit for 2027.
- **WMTM/L positions** — Any movement on state adoption of positions in the Federal Wildland Fire Qualifications Supplement?
 - Daniel reported on conversations with CO and UT representatives on the talking points that Jon and Sheryl provided during the NASF CMS meeting. Unfortunately, there were not a lot of opportunities to visit with more state reps. NASF reps need to be more persistent and seek opportunities to talk with state leadership.
 - Jon, Sheryl, and Jennifer will work on creating a FAQs document from feedback that they have been hearing from others.
 - All DOI agencies unifying in the US Wildland Fire Service endorsed these positions in the 2026 Federal Supplement. Lots of great discussion about the pilot and ordering process.
- **Committee Officer Replacements** — According to the committee's SOP the NASF East is on the rotation as Vice-chair with BLM as Secretary. The group discussed the rotation, specifically considering that there are changes coming in the next few months with the NWCG reorganization. It was determined that officers will remain as they were in 2025 until new decisions are made.
- **NWCG Annual Meeting** – In Boise on February 18 and 19. Marty and Jennifer will be attending.

Report-outs/Round Robin (All)

- **BIA** — Unification continues to move forward. Currently focused on new organization's finance codes. Bureau of Indian Education has started a wildland fire recruitment program. There is a new training specialist for the Eastern Area Coordinating Group.
- **Coalitions and Collaboratives** — Awarded AIM funding to 13 projects for a total of \$670,000 although they had \$5 million in requests. There is a potential CMAT assignment in CO within the next few months.
- **USFS** — CMAT is available. There was a brief conversation on how to order/pay for team. This is good training opportunity for WMTM/L positions. Receiving lots of training requests for mitigation. USFS is doing their interim reorg trying to maintain some of their key positions.
- **NWCG** — Recognition to committee for efficient minutes review for posting. Continue to fill gaps in the organizational chart. IPTM continues to move forward but has no positions for this committee. Completed reorg kick-off meeting for management committees – chairs and vice chairs have been selected with rotations. Next step is subcommittee kick-off meetings to follow the same process. Operations Management Committee (OMC) - Beale Monday (USFS) Chair and Craig Daughtery (IAFC) Vice-Chair. NWCG Coordinator for OMC is Steven Gaskill and WUI Liaison to WUI Mitigation Subcommittee (WMSC) is Mark Neely from Department of War.

Meeting adjourned

***Next meeting: March 4, 2026, via Microsoft Teams Video Conference*