



NATIONAL WILDFIRE COORDINATING GROUP

National Interagency Fire Center
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MEMORANDUM

Reference: NWCG#027-2008

To: NWCG Interim Committee Chairs and Subgroup Chairs (see attached list)

From: NWCG Chair *Brian McManis*

Date: December 17, 2008

Subject: Joint NWCG Executive Board and Subgroup Chairs Meeting

At the January 2009 NWCG Meeting, the Executive Board and all Subgroup Chairs will meet to participate in information-sharing and further enhancement of the development of the new NWCG organization. The objectives of this meeting are to:

1. Provide an update on NWCG re-structuring activities
2. Discuss new NWCG organizational roles and protocols
3. Provide information about the NWCG Budget Process for upcoming years
4. Give direction and the FY09 budget to the subgroups.

The meeting schedule includes a keynote speaker who will talk about change and transition, information sessions, break-out work sessions, and a panel and Q&A Session with the Executive Board members.

The meeting will be held as follows:

Date: January 27-29, 2009 (Tuesday through Thursday)
Location: Cambria Suites
2970 West Elder Street
Boise, ID 83705
(208) 344-7444
Times: 08:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Invited Subgroup Chairs (or their representative) should plan on attending all three (3) days.

Please provide information on who will be attending this meeting on behalf of your Subgroup to the NWCG Executive Secretary, Bonnie Bradshaw, via e-mail to NWCG_Executive_Secretary@nifc.blm.gov, or phone at (208) 387-5823 by COB THURSDAY, JANUARY 15TH.

If you have any questions about the meeting content, you should contact your Branch Coordinator:

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cc: NWCG Executive Board

INVITATION LIST FOR JANUARY 2009 NWCG MEETING
January 27-29, 2009

NWCG Interim Committee Chairs			
Branch	Team/Group Name	Chair & Agency	Email
Policy Planning & Management	Fire Policy Committee	Rod Bloms (FWS)	Rod_Bloms@fws.gov
Policy Planning & Management	Interagency Fire Planning Committee	Becky Brooks (FWS)	Becky_Brooks@fws.gov
Policy Planning & Management	Fuels Management Committee	Erik Christiansen (FWS)	Erik_Christiansen@fws.gov
Policy Planning & Management	WUI Mitigation Committee	Will May (States)	wgm@AlachuaCounty.US
Policy Planning & Management	Smoke Committee	Pete Lahm (FS)	plahm@fs.fed.us
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Equipment & Technology	Information Technology Committee	Shari Shetler (BLM)	sshetler@nifc.blm.gov
Equipment & Technology	Equipment Technology Committee	Tory Henderson (FS)	Thenderson@fs.fed.us
Equipment & Technology	Fire Environment Committee	Paul Schlobohm (BLM) (In Transition)	Paul_Schlobohm@nifc.blm.gov
Equipment & Technology	National Interagency Aviation Committee	Neal Hitchcock (FS)	Nhitchcock@fs.fed.us
Preparedness	Incident Business Committee	Mary Ann Szymoniak (FS)	mszymoniak@fs.fed.us
Preparedness	NRF/NIMS Committee	Steve Gage (FS)	sgage@fs.fed.us
Preparedness	Risk Management Committee	Michelle Ryerson (BLM)	Michelle_Ryerson@nifc.blm.gov
Preparedness	Workforce Management Committee	Vince Mazzier (BLM)	Vince_Mazzier@nifc.blm.gov

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Acronym	Team/Group Name	Chair & Agency	E-Mail
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FEWT	Fire Equipment Working Team	Tory Henderson (FS)	Thenderson@fs.fed.us
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FUWT	Fire Use Working Team	Dave Mueller (BLM)	David_Mueller@nifc.blm.gov
GACAG	Geographic Area Coordinating Group Advisory Group	Christie Neill (NPS)	Christie_Neill@nps.gov
IBPWT	Incident Business Practices Working Team	Kathy Shelton (FS)	klshelton@fs.fed.us
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SHWT	Safety and Health Working Team	Michelle Ryerson (BLM)	Michelle_Ryerson@nifc.blm.gov
TWT	Training Working Team	Rosey Thomas (BLM)	Rosemary_Thomas@blm.gov
WFEWT	Wildland Fire Education Working Team	Maureen Brooks (FS)	mtbrooks@fs.fed.us
WFIWT	Wildland Fire Investigation Working Team	Alan Carlson (State)	Alan.Carlson@fire.ca.gov
WUIWT	Wildland/Urban Interface Working Team	Will May (States)	wgm@AlachuaCounty.US
BAU	NWCG Budget Advisory Unit	Denise Schmitz (BLM)	Denise_Schmitz@nifc.blm.gov
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