



Wildland Urban Interface Mitigation Committee

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Conference Call

1:00 P.M. Central Time, February 5, 2014

Call Assignment: Notetaker - Len

Agenda:

- **Roll call:** John Fish, Jon Skinner, Elaine Waterbury, Cindy Palmer, Joe Stutler, Len Diaz
- **Review minutes of conference call – January 15, 2014:** Joe motioned approval, Cindy 2nd the motion and minutes approved by vote.
- **WUI Mitigation Desk Reference Guide update:** Cindy's concern about the location of Wildfire Mitigation has been addressed. This section will be moved to basic components of mitigation. Will has no problem with the change. The group agreed with the change. John will make the changes and push out to the group. John will work with Will to complete the document. Len needs to gain agency acceptance. He will work to accomplish by next week.
- **Firewise Subcommittee:** Waiting for input from Don G. as to who will be the western representative.
- **Fire Policy Committee Response to proposed WUI definition changes:** One of the proposed changes has been accepted. The other change was not accepted. John will provide rationale to Fire Policy Committee at the All Chairs meeting.
- **Position papers project:** Pam is working on the FAC paper. John and Jon are working on successful fuels management treatments. IMT's have had successes. J & J are looking for Ops point of view. Joe said he would look into the matter. We want to show that fuels reduction projects have made a difference in suppression.
- **NWCG All Chairs Meeting:** This will be John's first meeting. He will look at structure of other committees and report back to us with a recap of the meeting.
- **Upcoming meetings:** We will keep the March 5th conference call as scheduled. Those with firm commitments to attend face-to-face meeting in Reno: John F., Will, Joe, Jon S., Jolene, Elaine. Likely to attend: Cindy. Haven't heard: Sarah, Pam, & Phyllis. Still in the process: Len. No: Don
- **Additional topics:** IAFC is upgrading the CWPP Leaders Guide. They are looking for support in the update and distribution processes.
- **Round table:** Cindy – CERT coordination call will be set up. Environmental Assessment policy is being assessed. Not open for comment.
Joe – Joe encouraged attendance at WUI Conf. and sees ties to the National Wildland Cohesive Strategy meeting that is also taking place in Reno.

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