



## Wildland Urban Interface Mitigation Committee

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Conference Call  
12:00 P.M. Central Time, November 6, 2013  
Minutes

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*Notes: Pam Leschak*

#### Agenda:

- **Role call:** Len Diaz, Will May, Pam Leschak, Michael Akey, Jolene Ackerman, John Fish-Chair, Cindy Palmer. **Absent:** Jon Skinner, Phyllis Krietz, Sarah McCaffrey, Sid Beckman
- **Membership Changes:**
  - Jolene Ackerman, Wisconsin WUI Coordinator and State Firewise Liaison and starting with Ready, Set, Go!, Cohesive Strategy, critical barriers for fac.
  - Don Griego, New Mexico is new western rep (to replace Mark Gray)
  - Sid Beckman is retiring too soon to become next chair so declined the vice-chair position. We still need a vice-chair to take John's place in 1.5 years.
- **Regular Meeting Agenda – November 12-13, 2013 Salt Lake City, Utah:** Look over agenda. Looks good. Let John know when you need the call in line for the meeting in Salt Lake.
- **Additional Topics:**
  - IAFC WUI Conference in Reno is March 17-19, 2014
  - New Conference call times change to first Wednesday of each month from 1-2 Central starting in January
  - Cindy will have a presentation on CERT teams on next WUI call Decr 4.
- **Round table:**
  - Pam: update on USFS Fire Adapted Communities effort
  - Len: Assisting Communities at Risk Barriers (Jolene also); Assessing the Role Purpose and Approach to Communities Assistance within DOI (assessing fuels program in DOI) one of 4 tasks (due date is January 17, 2014 – team lead is Jon Skinner).
  - Reminder: Shuttle service for Salt Lake should be contacted ahead of time.
  - Cindy: Working with Cohesive Strategy to increase mitigation funding.
  - John: 10 Year Firewise Celebration; involved in FAC Coalition; presentation on fire adapted communities
  - Next Conference call is Wed, Dec 4, 12 Central.

#### Chair

John K. Fish  
National Association of State Foresters

#### Vice Chair

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#### Members:

John Skinner, USDI Bureau Of Land Management  
Sid Beckman, USDI National Park Service  
Len Diaz, USDI Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Will G. May – International Association of Fire Chiefs  
Phyllis Krietz, FEMA, U.S. Fire Administration

Pam Leschak, USDA Forest Service  
Greg McLaughlin, National Association of State Foresters  
Cynthia Palmer, Federal Emergency Management Agency  
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