

FEWT MEETING NOTES
APRIL 19-21, 2005
Portland, Maine

Members in Attendance:

Bill Hicks, GSA
Kim Christensen, USFS, NFES
JP Greene, USFS
Kirk Bradley, Michigan DNR
Steve Counts, Virginia Department of Forestry
Leslie Anderson, MTDC
Ralph Gonzales, SDTDC
Robert Stroud, BLM
Roger Spaulding, USFWS
Tory Henderson, USFS

Absent Members:

Jacqueline Hawley, BIA
Dan Lang, CDF

Guests:

Tom Parent
Greg Hesslein

TUESDAY, APRIL 19

Introductions

This was the first meeting Steve was able to join us so we introduced ourselves. We are holding the meeting in Maine as the Northeast States have requested a chance to join FEWT at a meeting to share their fire experiences and differences in equipment.

Agenda Review

Update on ICBS-R
HR 408
Qualified Products List Process

Aerial and Ground Ignition Subcommittee Update

Robert shared the status of the subcommittee. They held their first meeting and have drafted a charter as well as a task outline. Approximately 30 different pieces of equipment are being used. Will need to bring into the discussion both technical and operational expertise.

Their group discussed establishing an equipment approval process in which the equipment is presented to the subcommittee for determination if it meets our mission, and if so the does it meet the standard(s) in place and/or specification. This process would

include a checklist for contract equipment that would identify what the vendor has to have before it can even be submitted to the subcommittee.

As the subcommittee identifies equipment needed, will need to determine if it is something we should purchase and cache or rent. Also have to develop training, qualifications, hazard material requirements if applicable, task books, and course curriculum. Will need to establish standard operating procedures, and incorporate Job Hazard Analysis, Office of Safety and Health Administration requirements, National Fire Protection Administration standards, and any others that would apply.

This would provide a place for vendors to go to with a piece of equipment that may be of interest to the agencies. If there is a large volume, will need to establish priorities and perform an initial screening.

Will add this process to our Vendor Notice on the web page when we get it developed.

By utilizing a checklist, and informing potential vendors of the requirements they must have based on the information contained on the checklist, this should eliminate vendors that do not meet our needs to begin with. Need to include a cost benefit analysis if a piece of equipment is determined to be necessary for our operations.

Action Item: FEWT members need to identify additional operations subject matter experts for the subcommittee to utilize. Their next meeting is in the Fall.

Action Item: FEWT members are to review the Charter and send their comments back to Robert by May 6th.

Agency Updates

Kirk – Roscommon Equipment Center: Submitted a project to the F&AM Steering Committee for 2006. The project deals with identifying safety procedures for equipment operators and evaluation of current operator protection systems including enclosed cabs, fire curtains, use of shelters, etc. The project was selected and will be submitted for funding. REC and several states have offered to provide assistance in the project.

The Federal Excess Property Program (FEPP) is utilized by many states to supplement their equipment and the equipment needs of many rural fire departments. The REC assists by providing design and safety information for modifying the equipment. Legislation was passed to bring the Forest Service up to the same screening priority level as the Department of Defense for access to surplus equipment which will further the program for the states Volunteer Fire Departments (VFD).

Robert – BLM – have been focused on getting the ATV study out for contract award. Have implemented a feedback process with the field for equipment enhancement needs, problems, issues, etc. Is working well and feeds their priority of work.

As new equipment is purchased will most likely establish a driving training school with enhanced training capability for tactics and handling.

BLM is evaluating drip torches this field season which are pressurized and a sealed system. Robert will share the results with FEWT.

The batch mixer mounted on a trailer will be going through GSA to add to the schedule. The system is metered and can dispense both fuel and diesel.

They have also developed requirements for a 1500 gallon stainless steel system for a Fuel Maintenance Vehicle (4x4 truck) to include 15 gpm gas capability, 20 gpm diesel. 500 gallons will be gas and 1,000 diesel. The package has to include all safety requirements as well, e.g., fire extinguisher, berm, etc.

Roger - FWS – Expressed interest in the BLM ATV study as they are now emphasizing training with ATV use as they are the largest users of ATV's for prescribed burning.

The potential for a very strong fire season exists in the Pacific Northwest at this time due to drought conditions. They currently have an interagency meteorologist predictive services position advertised.

Kim – FS – Predictive Services Outlook at the present time is for high fire potential on the western states, Montana, northwest, and parts of the great basin.

Aviation assets known at present time are seven P3's under contract with the eighth coming on-board soon. National helicopters will be the same as last year and regional contracts will be the same, but at the present time there will be no National Multiagency Coordinating Group (NMAC) exclusive use contracted helicopters. The Single Engine Airtankers (SEATS) available this year is around 90.

Kim – NFES – Purge fluid has not been closed out and direction sent to NWCG requesting course material be revised with new direction. Flagging that is stocked in the caches has been reduced due to the ability to eliminate some colors. We will be utilizing some hot shot crews this summer to evaluate hand tools, plus will begin a review of hand tools in use versus new technology. We are looking at developing and implementing a process to introduce new or replacement items into the system and disposal of items.

JP – Southern Area – wet winter except for south end of Florida around Everglades. Did receive a severity request from Puerto Rico, dry mostly on the south side of the island. Mobilization issues with defensive driving and FS government driver's license, but at the present moment are accepting the Department of Interior qualifications, however for all casuals (AD) hired by the FS they will require the training and licensing. The geographic area has three air tankers on now.

Steve – Southern Area – They now have a publication called *Fire in the South* that contains complete information about fires and statistics. Tennessee is moving forward with replacing all dozers and transports. Virginia is going to Type 6 engines this year

and phasing out their hummers. Below average fire season occurring in Kentucky, Tennessee, and Virginia. ATV use has been curtailed. Virginia now has an incident management team (short team). Virginia has also been utilizing the FEPP database for accessing and screening equipment and it has been working well.

Bill – GSA (Handout available upon request) – Current GSA inventory is \$56M (Fire Shelters \$20M and Clothing is \$8.2M).

Historical Fire Program Sales:

FY2004 - \$46.9M

FY2003 - \$50.3M

FY2002 - \$71.1M

FY2001 - \$49.2M

FY2000 - \$44.8M

Shirts and Pants – currently have two contracts on shirts and both contractors are in full production. Two contracts awarded for fire pants and are pending on first article approval. The contract period for these contracts is a two year base term contract period with three one year option periods.

Fire Shelter – retrofit is near completion. There are approximately 100,000 shelters in stock. The large size shelter design is complete and GSA is negotiating with the contractor for production and pricing. GSA will notify the FS when the larger shelters will be in stock.

New Items – three additional items were identified and approved by NFES (Reducer, Flagging – escape route and hazards, and Type II hose which is currently in stock with a target of 8,000 lengths total for each size.

Deleted items included: Backpack pump straps, purging fluid, headlamp, goggles, various colors of flagging, and the field pack (yellow) will be phased out through normal attrition due to the new field pack being introduced (blue).

Tory – miscellaneous items – the Administratively Determined Pay Plan (AD, casual hires) is now out with the same rates as 2004. The plan will probably be different in 2006 once the task groups complete their reviews, etc. Congressional leaders continue to introduce Bills relative to 24 hour pay for federal firefighters. The current Bill is HR 408 and the agencies are responding to the proposal.

Northeast States Presentations

Gregg Hesslein, District Ranger for the Saco River District of the Maine Forest Service, provided the working team with the composition of the state's firefighting resources and how they conduct business. Their total staff is relatively small and relies heavily on organized fire departments for assistance. ICS is slowly being adopted in the rural fire

districts, however there are only a small number of State employees that are currently qualified and assist with wildland fire assignments with the federal agencies.

Tom Parent, Executive Director of Northeast Compact, shared his role and the make-up of the compact. This compact is called the Northeast Forest Fire Protection Compact (NFFC) and include agencies from both the US and Canada.

NFFC has a Commission, which has 32 members and they are an authoritative body. In 1949 the northeast established the first Forest Fire Compact. NFFC has 7 states, 3 provinces, and 2 National Forests. Today there are a number of compacts that involve a total of 39 states and 7 provinces across North America.

The organization does have a website which provides information concerning the Compact, their working team's activities, operating plan, daily situation reports, etc. The site is www.nffpc.org.

The Northeastern Compact Coordination Center is managed by Tom. The State of Maine hosts the facility and the staff is approximately 50% state employees and 50% Compact employees. They have the responsibility to dispatch all resources for 7 states and 3 provinces.

Missoula Technology and Development Center (MTDC) Project Updates

Presentation available on FEWT web page.

Aerial Ignition Projects

1. Evaluate Prototype Helitorch, estimated completion date end of FY05
2. Evaluate Raindance R2 Aerial Incendiary Machine, waiting for delivery of machine
3. Evaluate SEI Dragon, waiting for SEI to resolve issues identified before going forward
4. Evaluate PSD Emergency Procedures
5. Aerial Ignition Website
6. Batch Mixer – Lassen National Forest will test this season

Ground Ignition Projects

1. ATV Helmet for Fire Application, estimated completion end of FY05
2. Standard Terra Torch, estimated completion by the end of FY06
3. Adapt Plastic Sphere Dispenser to ATV, estimated completion end of FY05
4. Drip Torch Fuel Transport and Safety Can Improvement, estimated completion end of FY05
5. Ground Ignition Hand Launcher, estimated completion end of FY05
6. ATV Drip Torch, estimated completion end of FY05
7. Other – testing new flares, biodiesel drip torch fuel

Smokejumper Projects

1. FS-14 Upgrades
2. Smokejumper Pilot Training Materials, estimated completion end of FY05
3. Smokejumper Helmet and Face Mask, estimated completion end of FY05
4. Wireless Spotter Helmet, estimated completion end of FY05
5. Other – parachute malfunction training materials, estimated completion end of FY05; New suit pads (tech services)

Fire Shelter

1. Spanish Language Fire Shelter Training Materials, completed
2. Large Fire Shelter, GSA preparing contract
3. Refined Fire Entrapment Avoidance, estimated completion end of FY06

Firefighter Protective Clothing

1. BDU Changes
2. Questionnaire
3. DEET on Nomex

Other Projects

1. Situational Awareness Firefighting Equipment (SAFE) – identify and field test new technologies on the fireline
2. Incident Lighting Kits, completed FY04
3. Wildland Firefighter Safety and Health, Report #9 completed – nutrition, hydration, performance
4. Wildland Fire and Aviation Specifications – maintain 56 specifications
5. Modified Range Drill, estimated completion end of FY06
6. Slash Concentrator, Mat Remover, Biomass Handling System, estimated completion end of FY06
7. Product Response Form
8. Incident Sign Installation Guide

Rappel Program

1. Development of model specific equipment and procedures
2. Website maintenance
3. Helicopter Rappelling Accessories
 - Engineering support
 - Certification of hardpoints
4. Helicopter Support Equipment and Procedures for Burned Area Emergency Rehabilitation (BAER)
5. Accurate Fuel Stick Scale, estimated completion end of FY05

San Dimas Technology and Development Center (SDTDC) Project Updates

Presentation available on FEWT web page.

Current Projects

Production Rates

- Determine how the current rates were measured
- Validate the previous procedures. Modify procedure or develop new methodology if needed.
- Test procedures and data collection equipment are being evaluated with preliminary test in June.

Specifications and Standards

- Evaluate need for QPL
- Continue work to meet AGAR 60 requirements

Fire Behavior Tool Evaluation

- Determine if it will provide accurate information to fireline personnel
- Pocket PC based
- Fire Away Software
- 2 units being field tested with Hot Shot crews

Fish Strainers for Hoses

- Acquire test stand materials
- Fabricate test stand
- Specification release
- GSA RFP
- Submission testing
- Aquatic Hose Strainer Specification, 5100-106 is out for review

Fish Strainers for Helicopters

- 1/4 scaled model finished
- start testing flight characteristic in June
- develop and test a prototype fish strainer for still bodies of water, 2004-2005
- develop and test a prototype fish strainer for moving water, 2005-2006

Standardization of Wildland Fuels

- evaluation performed and data collected supported there were no measurable differences in using chainsaw or handsaw when cutting samples representing 1000 hour fuels
- a proposal was submitted to JFSP

SEAT Blending

- 2 systems being evaluated, Venturi and Eductor
- conducted a field evaluation of the 2 units in R1 in April 2005

Smart Card

- Fuel and Oil Issue system is waiting testing
 - 2-D barcode system and uses portable bar code scanners
 - will be tested during the 2005 season
- ICBS-R, I-Suite Support

Black Powder Project

- Determine if and which type of black powder firearm might ignite forest and field vegetation.
- Under what conditions this ignition might occur
- Field testing is scheduled for May 9th

CAFS Evaluation

- Proposing the scope of the project to be modified to compare several CAFS units with slip on pump units with foam proportioners and aspirating nozzles used to produce class A foam
- Units Identified include Odin's, Pneumax's, and CFX's

Technical Services Projects

1. Shepherd Stove – determine the fire start potential of a shepherd stove, conduct tests
2. Speed Rating on Tires – Tech Tip written that provides field personnel information so they can check their tires
3. Coffee Kit Safety Evaluation – determine if current coffee kit Design meets a standard
4. Type 3 Engine Noise Study – determine exposure level during operations and if needed evaluate the use of headsets; testing to be May 13
5. Fire Hydraulics – update fireline hydraulic material to reflect new equipment and real world numbers

6. Transmission Retarder Control Study – evaluate the 3 most common transmission retarder controls
7. Sprinkler Kits – develop a sprinkler kit that would be carried in the cache, utilize a remote start pump, and assist in line construction and structure protection

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

Potable Water Tender Specifications

The FEWT was tasked with developing and recommending potable tender water specifications. An individual was tasked with pulling together the information obtained from various sources and develop a draft specification. The members reviewed the draft, provided edits and comments. The edits will be made and sent back to the individual for addressing additional questions. Once these questions have been addressed and the draft finalized, FEWT will share the draft with field personnel for comment at the same time it presents the draft to the NWCG for their review and input.

Action Item: Tory will make edits and share with author for clarifying questions, etc. Upon return Tory will draft a letter for transmitting to the Logistics Subcommittee, Safety and Health Working Team for comment, and to NWCG.

FEWT Web Page

Tory reminded the members to identify question and answer information for the new web page. Each primary area is to develop the frequently asked questions they receive so we can provide this information to anybody that may frequent the web page. The new web page is up and ready if we are comfortable with it.

Action Item: FEWT members submit Q&A's as they come up to Tory for posting to the Web. Tory to notify Allen to place our new page on the web.

Logistics Subcommittee Report – Roger

The subcommittee held their initial meeting when the National Logistics Workshop was taking place in March. The meeting was primarily to get organized and to discuss the intent of the FEWT relative to how they will utilize the subcommittee. They plan on meeting twice a year or on an as needed basis.

Engine Subcommittee

The subcommittee is looking at developing operational performance requirements for each class of engine which ultimately may lead to a new typing system. Will most likely follow the pattern of the NFPA 1906 guideline to develop the system. Robert is looking for additional subject matter experts to assist in this task. They will meet prior to our next FEWT meeting and will be able to present their progress as well as a timeline during our meeting.

Action Item: FEWT members are to provide names to Robert of individuals that can serve as subject matter experts.

Vendor Response Process

The agencies get inquiries from vendors almost daily relative to the possibility of purchasing or using their item or product on fires. We are not able to endorse, solicit, or encourage the use of one product over another, or enter into any kind of contractual agreement without proper evaluation, competition etc. In order to respond to the numerous inquiries quickly and consistently a template and method needs to be developed and provided to the members and others that may have to deal with these situations.

Ralph presented a flow chart based on a vendor asking about having their product evaluated. It was determined to adopt this chart relative to a process, but clearly define the mission. In addition we need to identify the problem you are trying to solve with the product and look at what might be out there to start with. The second half is what to do with the information once the product is evaluated. The discussion centered on providing the accumulation of evaluations over a period of time (six months) and sharing the facts with a quick tip which would include the testing that took place.

Action Item: Tory will put together a small task group to identify a clear process and share with the members for review and discussion.

Critical Emergency Equipment Management System – CEEMS

Robert shared an idea he has relative to the development of an inventory, services and supply management system that would allow tracking and/or availability of all types of equipment and supplies used by Federal, States, and cooperators on every incident. Equipment categories would be very specific to the acceptable performance requirements of many types of equipment offered, but would be very broad as it pertains to non-traditional equipment, service, and supplies that might be offered to an incident.

The idea is to provide a system to both the using agency and vendors to identify equipment type which has to meet a minimum set of requirements prior to even being recognized. In addition, this would encourage competitive pricing, as well as be cost effective.

The futuring occurring right now with the business process re-engineering of the incident business pieces would be a good fit for this proposal. In addition, the Forest Service has been tasked with developing hiring methods for equipment that are more cost efficient.

Action Item: Tory will share concept with Mary Ann Szymoniak, business lead for I-Suite and BPR for Forest Service.

Life Cycle Process

Ralph presented a template to display the life cycle process.

Life Cycle Phases include:

- Need
- Concept Refinement Phase
- Technology Development Phase
- System Development and Demonstration Phase
- Production and Deployment Phase
- Operations and support Phase

There is actually a project life cycle and a system (product) life cycle. We discussed both types and agreed on the concept. Included in the presentation and discussion was the technological forecast, which is a component of the entire process.

The discussion centered around timing the process with the specifications. Most of the specifications are performance based with components and it may make more sense to group by category. We need to ensure that refurbishment and a cost analysis is included in the equipment life cycle as well as to ensure making a change is equal to or less than the current cost.

Gathering input from the field can be a driver as to the timeline you establish for the revision and life cycle planning of an item. In addition, refurbishment requirements will determine an initial life to the item. Discussion took place around the possibility of establishing a method on the FEWT webpage to provide the field with an opportunity to identify areas that need improvement, other technologies, or problems that are encountered while using a tool or item.

The group did not come to any formal process to be adopted at this time, however we did review the items of responsibility at both MTDC and SDTDC and will work with both development centers for identifying the ranking and timeline for review, etc.

Action Item: Tory will work with MTDC and SDTDC to develop a basic process for review and implementation for both project life cycle and system life cycle.

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

NWCG PRESENTATION MAY 10

Each NWCG Parent Group meeting has a guest working team invited. FEWT is the guest team for their May meeting. The working team has an opportunity to bring current and future issues or projects we are involved in to NWCG members attention. The members thought the following would be of benefit to share at the meeting:

- Quarter turn future
- Lifecycle Planning

FireShelters – what’s next
Changes with Fire Equipment – sprinkler kit example
Type 2 Hose
NFPA and the Federal Wildland Fire Agencies
Firing Equipment Committee
Engine Subcommittee
Logistics Subcommittee
Special Project Focus – SAFE as an example
SBIR and their role
Innovative Thinker Impacts
Law Suit Updates

Tory said all members are invited to attend the meeting. She will do the presentation on Tuesday and will forward the NWCG agenda.

Action Item: Tory will prepare a presentation for NWCG and share with FEWT for comment.

Emergency Medical Standards Group (EMSG) Update

Kim presented the group with the status of this task group. The focus was to begin with the level of care and ability we need to provide at an incident then other issues can be identified and mitigated. The group has not been able to meet to identify this level as a starting point but does have a meeting planned for May with the Safety and Health Working Team. FEWT has written a letter to SHWT relative to not making any changes at this time to either the 100 or 500 person medical kits maintained in the NFES caches. Once the decision is made as to level of care then we can identify what needs to be cached in order to meet that.

We did discuss to determine if the existing kit configurations are meeting the present need and is within our current scope of operations on an incident. The Logistics Subcommittee was identified as a means to obtain this information.

Action Item: Tory will send a memo from FEWT to the Logistics Subcommittee tasking them with assistance in gathering this type of information from the medical unit leaders.

Publications Management System Process

The publications that FEWT has responsibility over were reviewed. There are some materials that have not been revised for many years. The group discussed identifying a process that would fit with the type of publications to ensure timely reviews. In addition the goal is to automate all publications and eliminate hardcopies where it makes sense.

In reviewing the list the following is the approach FEWT will take:

Task Book Review/Revision Cycle will mirror the 310-1 Cycle

Courses Review/Revision Cycle will mirror NWCG course revision cycle (i.e. 3 or 5 years)

Equipment Publications will match the Life Cycle Identified for the Equipment

Action item: Tory will update the list and share with PMS Chair as well as work with NWCG Training Unit to ensure courses are revised on their cycle. The PMS 443 Class A Foam course will be reviewed for appropriate revision needs this year.

Law Suit Status

Tory provided the status of outstanding law suits against the Forest Service. In addition family members of the victims to the 30 Mile Fire have filed a law suit against various manufacturers.

Fire Shelter Replacement Process

The discussion has taken place as to the phase out of the old style shelters. In reviewing the current stocking levels, budget impacts, and recommendations from MTDC, a proposed end of life date was discussed with the National Association of State Foresters. After receiving initial feedback through Don Artley, it appears the proposed date would need to be delayed one year and that evaluation of the condition of a shelter be established to ensure the old style shelter not replaced is still functional and would meet the need.

The State Foresters would also have an opportunity to pursue grant money for replacement on an established schedule once the information is finalized.

Action Item: Tory will present process to NWCG and work with MTDC to establish the evaluation of condition in order to share the dates with the field.

Standardization/Specification

The discussion of establish standards or developing a specification for equipment or modifying specifications was discussed. In reviewing the current specifications, and what might be presented in the future, the discussion focused on establishing some criteria and a method to gain an understanding from the field to determine if standards need to be established or a specification should be developed.

The screening criteria that seems to make sense to use are:

- Safety
- Efficiency
- Interoperability

There are standards in place relative to GSA's program. They provide a method that is a set process, contracts awarded based on a set of requirements which could include specifications, and we procure these items and store in the caches. To add or broaden the

current needs of what the caches provide, or what equipment standards may need to be developed, the approach discussed was to identify geographic area equipment committees and link to them for information sharing of what the field seems to be identifying, as well as what we might identify as a need. Utilizing this approach will implement meeting the fields needs on a cost efficient, organized approach where it makes sense to have a national standard established.

One specific program area identified that should be looked at for developing standards and specifications is the rappel program. It appears the equipment is not standard across all regions or agencies and could pose both an interoperability and safety concern.

Action Item: Tory will draft a letter from FEWT to Aviation requesting the program be reviewed for establishing national interagency equipment standards. Tory will include this as part of the NWCG presentation.

Cache Strategic Task Group

Tory shared the creation of the task group and its objectives. One of the issues identified was that a business plan was never developed and it is probably time to do that. In addition, the group is identifying potential different ways of doing business including the centralization of process or equipment. As part of this mobilization criteria needs to be included in order to gain efficiencies as well as the method of moving items and the storage of items. Tory will keep FEWT informed as to the progress of the task group.

Joint Fall 2005 Meeting between FEWT/FEWG

San Dimas will host the meeting but the actual location has not been finalized as of this date. A field trip will be planned that will provide the group an opportunity to observe new technologies or changes in operations. Other potential agenda items identified are:

- ESRI Mapping
- Firewise program
- Fire Cobra program
- Super Huey with snorkel
- Futuring Concept
- Special Project Updates – include SAFE
- Liability Concerns
- Standardization and border issues

FEWT Calendar

**October 17-21, 2005 Joint FEWT/FEWG
San Dimas Technology and Development Center hosting**

April 17-21, 2006 Atlanta, Georgia

October 16-20, 2006 Boise, Idaho

FEWT ACTION ITEMS

Apr-05

AI#	TASK	DESCRIPTION	TARGET DATE	NOTES	DATE ACCOMP	RESP PERSON
16	Carryover from Oct 04 Equipment specification task	Will put part on hold, but CDF/R5 has a policy book in place	12/1/2005	Dan will send Tory the book & Tory will have someone review for template development potential		Dan & Tory
17	Carryover from Oct 04 Quarter Turn	Memo to cooperators & partners	6/1/2005	Tory will work with Don Artley & draft a memo introducing quarter turn discussions & options again		Tory
18	Operations Subject Matter Experts for Ignition Subcommittee	Subcommittee needs a pool of individuals to call upon for input	6/1/2005	FEWT members need to contact individuals prior to submitting names		FEWT Members
19	Ignition Subcommittee Charter	Review charter and send comments to Robert in order to finalize	5/6/2005	Charter was shared during the meeting. Comments need to go back to Robert prior to finalizing the charter		FEWT Members
20	Potable Water Tender Specifications	Draft was edited by members. Will make edits and share for comment	5/11/2005	Additional questions were raised and Tory will get those addressed		Tory
21	FEWT Web Page Q&A's	Members will submit Q&A's as they are encountered that would be applicable	6/15/2005 on-going	The web page has a for each primary category to place commonly		FEWT Members
22	Engine Subcommittee Subject Matter Experts	Engine Subcommittee needs reps from each agency, plus a pool to draw upon	6/15/2005	FEWT members need to contact individuals prior to submitting names		FEWT Members
23	Vendor Response Process	Establish a small task group to develop a template or process for posting to the web page	7/1/2005	Task group will create a process and end product that can be posted to the web page task with performance requirements & standard develop		Tory
24	CEEMS - share with Mary Ann Szymoniak	Share concept of Critical Emergency Equipment Management System with FS - BPR Lead	4/29/2005	The FS is working through incident business re-eng and this concept will fit well with their efforts	Apr-05	Tory
25	Finalize Life Cycle Process	Tory will work with MTDC and SDTDC to finalize life cycle process that will	7/30/2005	Work with what Ralph and Leslie have pulled together and blend to establish process for use		Tory Ralph Leslie

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26	Logistics Subcommittee Tasking	Memo from FEWT to the logistics subcommittee tasking them w/ assistance in gathering medical kit needs	6/1/2005			Tory
27	Update PMS List	Update list and share and share with PMS Chair as well as work w/ NWCG Training Unit	7/30/2005	PMS 443 Class A Foam will be priority		Tory
28	Fire Shelter Replacement Process	Establish phase out criteria in order to set the out of service life date for old style shelters	6/15/2005	MTDC and Tory will draft language for review and adoption by NWCG		Tory Leslie
29	Memo to Aviation from FEWT for Rappel Standards	Submit a memo to aviation identifying need for standardization of the rappel equipment.	6/30/2005	Include NWCG so they are aware of the concerns		Tory