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Topic & Notes	Outcomes
<p><b>Introductions/Welcome/Purpose</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cross and Schlobohm welcomed the group and explained the purpose of this and future calls.</li> <li>• Purpose: Share information on current NWCG efforts (including staff and committees); discuss options for improved communication among NWCG committees.</li> <li>• Future meetings are planned on a quarterly basis for 1-2 hours; provide feedback to your coordinator on the usefulness and time allocated for these calls.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Incident Position Descriptions (IPD) – Current Status</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Benoit presented the background and a status update on the IPD.</li> <li>• See attached informal briefing notes for additional information.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Training Liaisons</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training Liaisons have been assigned to those committees and subgroups that have been assigned specific position responsibility.</li> <li>• Information on the role of the Training Liaisons as well as a list of those liaisons can be found at <a href="https://www.nwcg.gov/nwcg-systems-improvement">https://www.nwcg.gov/nwcg-systems-improvement</a> at the bottom of the page.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Wildland Fire Learning Portal (WFLP) – Overview and Status</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hughes presented an overview and a status update on the LMS which has officially been named the Wildland Fire Learning Portal.</li> <li>• The Learning Portal is still under development. An implementation plan is due June 1, 2019.</li> <li>• See attached informal briefing notes for additional information.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Use of <a href="https://www.nwcg.gov">nwcg.gov</a>, <a href="https://www.firenet.gov">firenet.gov</a>, and the Wildland Fire Learning Portal</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NWCG is underway in developing direction on the use of these platforms. This draft guidance will be distributed across NWCG, and we will be reaching out for input from committees.</li> <li>• The website will remain as the NWCG external communication tool, Firenet will be used as an internal collaboration and file sharing tool, and the WFLP will provide training support.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>Standards Terminology</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Definitions have been developed for NWCG Standards and Position Standards which are available at <a href="https://www.nwcg.gov/">https://www.nwcg.gov/</a> (bottom of the page) and <a href="https://www.nwcg.gov/positions/definition">https://www.nwcg.gov/positions/definition</a> respectively. These terms will proceed through the NWCG Glossary request process.</li> </ul>	
<b>Communication Guidance</b>	



## NWCG Committee Connections Call Notes

April 3, 2019 1000-1130

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Blake provided an overview of the NWCG communications guidance available at <a href="https://www.nwcg.gov/communications-guidance">https://www.nwcg.gov/communications-guidance</a></li><li>• The guidance is intended to help the NWCG Executive Board, staff, committees, and subgroups make communications decisions and ensure consistent and standardized NWCG communications practices.</li></ul>	
<b>Lightning Round</b>	