## FALL 2015 DMC MEETING ACTION ITEMS

Action Item #1

Who: Dianna Sampson / Steve Larrabee What: Re-group Existing Data Standards

Purpose: Eliminate Data Standard redundancy. Simplify data management by reducing the

number of Data Standards.

Description: Logically group or regroup NWCG Data Standards where Standards are similar, related,

or share the same data properties. Use Mary Sommer's re-written/re-grouped Data Standards as a starting point, hard copies of which were handed off to Dianna and Steve

in a black binder during the Fall 2015 DMC Meeting. Electronic copies of Mary's

grouped data standards will also be provided.

Action Item #2

Who: Dianna Sampson / Steve Larrabee (with assistance from Jocelyn Leatherwood and Elaine

Waterbury)

What: Expand the NWCG Glossary

Purpose: Ensure Glossary is comprehensive and accurate by *linking* Data Standards to the

Glossary.

Description: Compare current approved/assigned/requested Data Standards to the Glossary. Create

or expand Glossary entries where needed.

**Action Item #3** 

Who: Roshelle Pedersen / Jocelyn Leatherwood (with input from Dianna Sampson, Steve Larrabee,

and Elaine Waterbury)

What: Evaluate National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Codes & Standards

Purpose: Determine whether NFPA Standards can be used to enhance our current NWCG

Glossary.

Description: Review and analyze the NFPA product(s). Compare the NFPA Codes & Standards to the

NWCG Glossary. Determine if it would be advantageous for the DMC to purchase the

NFPA product(s).

**Action Item #4** 

Who: Mary Sommer / Skip Edel / Laura Barrett / Steve Larrabee

What: Develop Interagency Logical Data Model

Purpose: Increase understanding and decrease redundancy of wildland fire data through the

development of a Logical Data Model that depicts natural data groupings and

interrelationships.

Description: The entity/relationship Data Model will be developed during a series of working sessions

with subject matter experts. Entities, Attributes, and Relationships will be depicted in the Data Model diagram. Supporting documentation will be provided in the form of a

data dictionary.

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**Action Item #5** 

Who: Roshelle Pedersen / Mary Sommer (with input from Rick Squires, Gina Papke and other SMEs)

What: Gather and Document Unit Identifier Business Requirements

Analyze Current Unit Identifier Systems Recommend UI Changes Where Needed

Purpose: Determine how Unit Identifiers are utilized throughout the wildland fire community and

recommend changes where necessary.

Description: Interview Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) to determine the as-is use of Unit Identifiers

within the wildland fire community. Document SME issues, concerns and

recommendations. Analyze and document the structure current Unit Identifier systems

to determine overlaps and inconsistencies:

1. WFMI (Wildland Fire Management Information - Unit Identifier Module)

2. OIS (Organization Information System)

Based on business analysis, input from SMEs, and analysis of current Unit Identifier systems, determine the **to-be** use and structure of unit identifiers necessary to ensure

clarity, accuracy, and consistency of Unit Identifier use.

#### **Action Item #6**

Who: Roshelle Pedersen

What: Develop a NWCG Tasking Memo to empower the Fire Reporting Subcommittee and the

Geospatial Subcommittee to analyze alternative solutions for a repository that supports both relational (tabular) and geospatial data. The tasking will include: (1) analysis and development of requirements for an interagency data Repository, and (2) assessment of

existing applications' ability to meet those Repository requirements.

Purpose: The Tasking will serve to formalize the Data Management Committee's instructions to

the FRSC and GSC, including scope and constraints.

Description: Define purpose of the Tasking. Provide background information as to the need for an

interagency data Repository. Propose high level schedule for the FRSC/GSC team.

#### **Action Item #7**

Who: Mary Sommer

What: Schedule monthly Data Management Committee calls.

Purpose: Monthly DMC calls will enable committee members to report out and keep current on

key actions, taskings, issues, etc.

Description: Set up a Doodle poll to determine best days/times for the monthly meetings. Schedule

the meetings, which will be led by Roshelle and facilitated/documented by Mary.

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#### **Action Item #8**

Who: Dianna Sampson / Steve Larrabee (with assistance from Elaine Waterbury and Jocelyn

Leatherwood)

What: Recommend any additional information that should be included in the NWCG Glossary

to enhance its usability.

Purpose: Ensure Glossary is useful and comprehensive.

Description: Through internal discussions and outreach to current Glossary users, determine

whether the Glossary should be enhanced to include old definitions, removed terms,

source files, references, or other information.

### **Action Item #9**

Who: Roshelle Pedersen

What: Develop a NWCG Glossary term definition for "Wildfire" that is agreed upon and

supported by the entire NWCG organization.

Purpose: Resolve competing definitions for "Wildfire" and implement new definition in the NWCG

Glossary.

Description: Enlist representatives from various Agencies to submit their current "Wildfire"

definitions. Set up virtual meeting(s) to discuss the current "Wildfire" definitions. Together craft a final definition that is agreed upon and supported by all stakeholders.