**FMB Members in Attendance:** Aitor Bidaburu (USFA), Chad Fisher (NPS), Grant Bebe (BLM), Sarah Fisher (USFS), Chris Wilcox (FWS), Stephen Nelson (USFS IT), Brad Koeckeritz (OAS), Aaron Baldwin (BIA), Dave Haston (USFS), Erin Horsburgh-Chair (OWF)

**Staff:** Tim Blake (FMB Facilitator), Darci Drinkwater (Executive Secretary)

**Guests:** Kaili McCray (MPHAT), Jeff Arnberger (BLM)

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<td><strong>Bipartisan Infostructure Law (BIL) Slip-On Tanker Units Pilot Program:</strong></td>
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| - $50,000,000 made available in BIL funding to establish and implement a pilot program to provide local governments and Tribal Nations assistance for the acquisition of slip-on tankers units.  
  - Establishment of fleets of vehicles that can be quickly converted to fire engines.  
  - Office of Wildland Fire (OWF) provided guidance authorizing DOI to implement.  
  - Jeff Arnberger is the lead.  
  - Task group includes BLM, BIA, OWF, NASF, FWS, and NPS.  
  - Grant program:  
    - No build/transfer or procure/transfer.  
    - Specs/options will be established.  
    - Approximate cost per unit $6,000-$10,000.  
      - Includes labor to retrieve, transport and installation fees.  
    - Recommended initial investment of $5 million in FY23.  
      - Evaluate demand and make further allocations.  
  - Community Wildfire Defense Grant (CWDG) USFS:  
    - Provides funding for similar items and programs.  
    - Fewer limitation than other programs.  
    - Easy for applicants.  
    - Program infrastructure and staff already established.  
      - Web portal, applicant review, process, and panel.  
  - Qualifying project proposal requirements:  
    - 25 horsepower or lower rating.  
    - Pressure not capable of exceeding 300 psi.  
    - Primary use must be for initial-attack suppression.  
  - Applicant eligibility:  
    - Local Governments located in an area with a risk of wildfires.  
    - Tribal Nations |

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| o Alaska Native Corporations  
   o Non-profit only. |  |
| • Project priority:  
  o High or very high wildfire hazard area.  
  o Low-income community.  
  o Impacted by a severe disaster. |  |
| • Eligibility criteria:  
  o Max grant amount $15,000.  
  o Grant term 4 years, with one-year extension possible. For a total max term of 5 years.  
  o No cost-share match requirements. |  |
| • Recommendations:  
  o Assign Grants/Agreements staff and establish an Interagency agreement with USFS to provide funding for slip-on tanker units through existing CWDG program.  
  o Monitor demand of program and forecast future demand. |  |

**Expanded MPHAT Scope to Support Firefighter Health and Wellbeing:**

- Envision an advisory group with decreased membership to provide flexible for the group to bring in SMEs as needed.
  - Umbrella approach for mental and physical wellbeing of Wildland Firefighters.
  - Engage NWCG Committees as needed.
  - Charter under FMB.
- Membership:
  - Identify positions not people for charter membership.
  - Current membership focused on infectious disease.
  - Need to maintain State connections.
  - Mark Goeller
  - CAL FIRE representative
  - FMB/FEC liaison representative needed.
  - Remove Safety Officer representative.

**MPHAT Update on DOI/FS Incident Screening Testing Guidance and Tasking on Implementation Support:**

- Draft guidance on hold.
- Engaged with DOI OSH.
- Concerns with procuring tests without a plan in place.

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| • Safer Workforce Taskforce working through testing plans.  
• FS FAQ being developed which will include ADs and unvaccinated.  
• No joint guidance being developed at this time.  
• DOI Bureaus to establish plans and buy tests but there have been issues with the BPA.  
• FS sharing tests on incidents that were acquired by the Cares Act. | |
| **ICIWEB:**  
• Update will provide a way to modernize within the cloud and become a single resource to maintain.  
• Delayed release of update to minimize interruptions during fire season and allow time to improve roll plan.  
• More training development will be needed.  
• Update release September 2022. | Will provide addition update before rollout. |
| **Dingall Act Funding:**  
• FS received $12 million this year to implement resource tracking.  
• Estimate needed $87.5 million over 5 years for FS.  
  ▪ Approximately $300 per unit and $20 per month for subscription.  
  ▪ Approximately $27-$30 million for devices.  
  ▪ Rolling stock and per person tracking plus upgrades to dispatch centers.  
• Logistics is a huge component to track individual Firefighters.  
• Devices can be installed on units.  
• Need to develop a detailed process.  
• Program will only be viable if we can secure the funding for years to come.  
• Set standard and then allow Agencies to adopt as appropriate. | Request briefing paper on cost breakdown for August 17th meeting. |

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