Date: 16 May 2023, 1300 – 1430 MST

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Review Current Actions:

Data Collection

- CGAC Data Call: 2023 IMT Composition
  - Official deadline was May 15th.
  - Five GACCs have completed responses, one has one team outstanding then will submit, AK and NW in the process, nothing yet from SOPs and NOPs.

Open Tasking Updates

- Geographic Area Standardization Tasking to CGAC
  - Recommendations due to NMAC on July 1.
  - SA working through the PL element and have listed out all variables each GACC uses for PL levels. Will meet next week for an update.
  - NR working on drawdown levels element but hasn’t uploaded draft. Update in the next couple of weeks.
  - EA working on prioritizing trainees element. Responses are being reviewed, working on recommendations. There’s a good process already in place that could be updated.
  - AK working with CA and NW on rosters and associated sub-taskings. Planning on draft recommendations June 7th and brief AA Subgroup June 14th.

- Increasing Incident Support Capabilities Tasking
  - Task team is identifying functional area SMEs from NWCG committees and other groups for feedback: what the framework should look like, how modules should be composed, ICS names and modules, and best management practices.
  - SME input will be composed into a draft that will be reviewed by IWDG, CGAC, and ICAC, and NWCG committees before sending to NMAC.
  - Will work with a separate group of SMEs to discuss increased non-traditional agency participation to increase capacity.
  - Task team will plan to meet once per month before November deadline. Targeting a late summer in-person meeting as well.

- Geographic Area Complex Incident Management Team Transition Plans
  - The transition plans have a strong focus on ICAP and a working data call.
Some GACCs have already transitioned, and other are still formulating plans. CGAC will meet in the coming weeks to discuss.

Complex Incident Management Implementation

- CIM Field Evaluations and Priority Trainee Processes
  - Important to understand field evaluations and the priority trainee process are separate elements.
  - Based on PMS 310-1 removal of Type 2 qualifications, priority trainee programs have already added Complex positions to most geographic trainee program lists.
  - The current process is adequate for CIM trainees to be identified for training and mobilization as needed.
  - Priority trainee duty officers will pull a CIM position from the national list if no one qualifies at the regional level before they UTF.
  - Incorporating qualified personnel into the priority training process for a field evaluation is not the solution. Single resources should continue to seek evaluation through assignment opportunities.

- IPSC Updates
  - Decision to close Type 1 pathway will be deferred until June 2024.
  - Operations Branch Director discussions are continuing to take place. Various options were favored by the subcommittees and agencies.
  - Pushed Branch Director decision out to July IPSC meeting for vote after IOSC completes a recommendation write-up.
  - Revisit at June meeting.

- Feedback and Fall AAR Planning
  - Bender has meeting with NWCG, FMB, and NMAC chairs in early June.
  - Will recommend individual group AARs prior to rolling into the comprehensive AAR.
  - Will send invitations after decision by chairs.
  - IWDG members continue to request feedback on IWDG Story Map.

Agenda Items:

- Incentives Recommendations Task Team
  - Met in the past couple of weeks and continue discussing wording/phrasing for all intergovernmental makeup in the recommendation.
  - Next step: Take the recommendation back to FMB for support feedback and direction on which proposals IWDG should expand on. Supported concepts will be more thoroughly written out and vetted.
  - Deadline to provide additional feedback and edits is May 23.
  - Proposal will be presented to FMB in June.

- IMT Standards Development
  - Bender working through ICAC Spring notes and additional discussion documentation.
  - Bender and Haydon will work over draft prior to sharing with IWDG for June meeting.

- Fall Meeting: Location and Dates
  - Bender will send follow-up information once confirm location availability.