



Agency Administrator Subgroup

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Date: 8 November 2023, 1500 – 1545 MT

Members: Chad Stewart, Chair, USFS | Clay Jordan, NPS | Sam Leneave, NASF | Jesse Bender, IWDG

Not Present: Tanya Thrift, BLM | Kim Pierson, USFS | Lynn Polacca, BIA | Mike Haydon, IWDG

Guests: Kari Grover Wier, Steve Miller

AGENDA

IMT Evaluation

- Review draft of USFS-led IMT and AA Evaluation Process, which was presented to FMB this summer. NMAC will ultimately own the form once a revision is final.
- USFS recognized the need to update content and modernize the form. One of intended outcomes is for it to guide open conversation between ICs and AAs, with feedback provided both directions. Form has been tested over past two years in multiple geographic areas.
- DOI and state review particularly important to the intergovernmental adoption of the form.
- Feedback that form is too long. Recommendations on questions to reduce/combine would be helpful.
- AA Subgroup will establish a timeline for collecting feedback from peers and agency fire managers to provide a consolidated recommendation to FMB and NMAC.

AAR Follow Ups

- Opportunities for continued engagement include: AA minimum certification and training standards, fire incentives, CIM AA guidance updates, prescribed fire and prioritization, and continued communications.
- January and February agendas:
 - Discuss existing AA qualifications, requirements, and best management practices with goal of identifying how minimum qualifications standards can support AAs.
 - Recommendation to discuss prescribed fire with Zeph Cunningham.
- March:
 - Develop additional communications for AAs on CIMT rosters and negotiation processes.
 - Identify products and avenues for continued communication through agencies and AAs.