Participants: Dan O’Brien, Beth Lund, Shane McDonald, Jarrod Simontacchi, Nate Benson, Brian Achziger, Heidi Strader, Chuck Maxwell, GaBriella Branson, Kelly Castillo, Billy Gardunio.

Not Present: Nancy Ellsworth, Matt Jolly

National Coordinators and Predictive Services Fall Meeting:
- Meeting Dates: December 2-5, 2019
- Location: The Southern California GACC New Facility.
- Agenda Planning:
  - Predictive Services staff will be building the agenda. PSOG peripherally involved.
  - Opportunity to discuss program goals for the future with Center Managers and Predictive Services staff.
  - Bryan Henry, Billy Gardunio, and GaBriella Branson will work to draft agenda topics.
- NMAC/GMAC Meeting – January 13-16
  - Additional opportunity for PSOG F2F meeting.

RMC Steering Committee Update:
- Group given presentation on the Fire Potential Project Considerations powerpoint. Key points include:
  - Conducting research projects to meet operational needs is complex and involves inherent uncertainty.
  - New product requirements include: Establishing a business need, employ scientific methods for developing/testing product, and field monitor/maintain product.
  - Comparison of current vs. proposed 7-day product. Itemized list of information included: Time to completion, cost, strengths, and challenges. Overall conclusion: Expensive and will take multiple years to complete.
    - Hybrid Prototype Proposal: “Jolly Option” 7-Day Product
      - Developed in 1yr for ~$100K (fast/inexpensive).
      - CONUS/year round, 7-Day NFDRS2016 prototype would be basis for replacement of current product.
      - Spatial product could be summarized by PSA, changed to meet color scheme requirements, and adequately match current 7-Day product.
  - Approval to move forward with “Jolly Option” with the following considerations:
    - Define requirements and next steps,
    - IT/Helpdesk capability, and
    - Look for ways to include Alaska in the final product.
  - Final briefing paper on product will be presented to the Fire Management Board (FMB) for approval on the path forward.

National Program Goals
- Written and sent back to group for edits.
- Approved as final.

Draft Redbook Guidance for Predictive Services
- Currently making edits to Chapter 19: Dispatch and Coordination System, Predictive Services and Intelligence, Page 384.
• Due date for submission to Redbook Committee is November 1st.
  o Final comments due to Dan O’Brien by the September PSOG Meeting.

Charter Review
• Approved. Will update and send to FMB for signature.

AWIPS Contribution
• Is this something that we want to continue? How much is it utilized in the program? Need to ensure that we are getting our money’s worth with it. Currently $170k/yr.
• Moving to software going through the internet/cloud and will reduce the cost to $130k/yr.
• Some GACC Mets would miss it – but also some are not satisfied and are ending up paying out of pocket locally to use another product “Simu-AWIPS”.
• There could be a cheaper way to get the same data.
• What is the best way for this community to go forward to get IT on the radar with WFIT/OCIOs. (Beth).
• Added to September agenda.

Next Call
Wednesday, September 25th.