



NWCG Meeting Notes

November 18, 2020

Executive Board: Garth Fisher (BIA), Aitor Bidaburu (USFA), Dan Smith (NASF), Shane McDonald (FWS), Mark Koontz (NPS), Tim Sexton (RD&A), Jim Durglo (ITC), Will May (IAFC), Kim Van Hemelryck (DOI OWF Liaison), Jeff Arnberger (BLM), Heath Hockenberry (NWS), Frank Guzman - Chair (USFS)

NWCG Staff: Jeremy Sullens (NWCG Program Manager/Coordinator), Betsy Burke (Executive Secretary), Tim Blake (Coordinator), Deb Fleming (Coordinator), Katy O'Hara (Coordinator) Jesse Bender (Publications Manager), Nancie Turner (Webmaster), Jeff Hughes (Training Program Manager)

Guests: Heath Cota (TDC), Peter Dutchick (TDC), Mike Ellsworth (LC and WFLP Governance Board), Mack McFarland, Erik Litzenberg

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<p>Wildfire Learning Portal Governance Board Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Instructors and Cadre practicing tricks and tips in training portal world. SOP is being finalized, currently waiting on links to be repaired. Portal is meeting with Irwin, roadmap to Irwin 7. 	N/A
<p>Training Delivery Committee TDC (Update):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bulk of the classes are rapidly moving to phase 2. Northern Rockies requesting to use FireNet for some training deliveries; discussion ongoing with FireNet Business Leadership which may need additional input from NWCG and FMB. 	N/A
<p>FMB/NWCG/NMAC Relationship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> NWCG appreciates and values the relationship with FMB but is not able to sustain the amount of support they are currently providing to FMB as they have ramped up their pace. Will schedule a combined meeting of FMB and Executive Board and NMAC and discuss the roles. 	N/A
<p>TM-19-002, NWCG Course Management Subgroup:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Both the M-581 and M-582 Course Steering Committee (CSC) are currently under the Executive Board, but both training courses are under IPSC. 	<p>M-581 and M-582 CSCs and courses will be under the stewardship of the Executive Board with Frank as the liaison.</p> <p>Jeremy will assign an NWCG Coordinator for each CSC.</p>

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<p>NWCG Memo Log Presentation and Review of EB “Under Review” Memos:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are several memo that need to be reviewed and either reissued or archived. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 021-2008: All IFPM’s should be packaged and sent to FMB to make decision. ○ 004-2009: Possible Archive (Deb to do additional research) ○ 009-2009: Possible Archive (Deb to do additional research) ○ 012-2009: IFPM ○ 001-2010: IFPM ○ 018-2010: Move standard to PMS 310-1, then archive ○ 007-2011: IFPM ○ 012-2011: Archive ○ 005-2012: Archive ○ 006-2013: Archive ○ 010-2014: Archive 	
<p>NWCG Committee Connections Call Recap:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Had the Connections Call at the beginning of November and had a great turn out. • Next meeting scheduled for January will likely be combined with the NWCG Annual Meeting. 	N/A
<p>BAU Future?:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The BAU charter is outdated and the group has not met in years. Should the Unit be sunset? • Agency budget leads are contacted as needed to gather information and approvals. 	APPROVED: Disband BAU
<p>Status Update – TM-19-003 Captain Brian Hughes Fatality Joint Corrective Action Plan:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conducting a subcommittee workshop to review newly developed NWCG Standards for Wildland Chainsaw Operations, which will be the foundation for updates to S-212 and development of additional training.. • Goal is to have the publication ready for RMC review in February then published by May. • Also looking for a detailer or contractor for funding request to work on next steps of standards and training, ultimately in fulfillment of items in Corrective Action Plan. 	N/A

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