

Wildland Fire Institute Board of Directors

Organization Intent

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1 Identification

The Wildland Fire Institute Board of Directors (WFI BoD) is a planned interagency, NWCG board informally known as the WFI Board of Directors, known herein as the Board.

2 Strategic Intent

2.1 Vision:

An integrated wildland fire learning and development network.

2.2 Purpose:

The Board has been established to provide national interagency, strategic direction, oversight, guidance and vision for the Wildland Fire Institute.

2.3 Mission:

To provide oversight and leadership to the Wildland Fire Institute.

The mission goals are:

1. Direct the transition to the Wildland Fire Institute based on the Strategic Plan.
2. Ensure the development and implementation of metrics and evaluation processes to assess employee learning, effectiveness of instruction, and support to defined career learning paths.
3. Support the adoption of emerging technologies to enhance opportunities for successful learning, course completion and qualification for wildland fire fighters.
4. Promote a positive learning culture that enhances student's learning and encourages participation.
5. Ensure annual and strategic funding aligns with Executive Board priorities and WFI Strategic Plan.
5. Provide oversight for the transition of identified courses to FEMA and support wildland fire modules endorsement.
7. Disseminate information about the program, including Mission, Vision and transition.

2.4 Responsibility:

The Board is primarily responsible for providing strategic direction and guidance for the Wildland Fire Institute, establishing the WFI operating principles and guidelines for the operation of the Institute, working collaboratively with the WFI Change Management Board and NWCG Program Management Unit (PMU), recommending funding and priorities to the NWCG Executive Board, recommending to the NWCG Executive Board individuals to fulfill the Dean roles

3 Scope

The scope of the Board is described as:

Strategic leadership and guidance of the transition to and operations of the Wildland Fire Institute.

This scope is bounded by the following boundary rules:

- Includes strategic recommendations and actions that may influence wildland fire training, courses that lead to wildland fire qualifications, courses sponsored by NWCG for fire management career development.
- The Board will provide strategic guidance and recommendations to NWCG Executive Board regarding NWCG fire and aviation training.

4 Authorities

The Board is established under the following authorities:

- National Wildfire Coordinating Group Charter, October 11, 2007

The Board is established by the following documented agreements:

4.1 Delegation of Authority

The Board is delegated the authority to:

- create task teams. This authority is not delegable to subgroups.
- Decide how to accomplish work.. This authority is not delegable to subgroups.

- Recommend investments. This authority is not delegable to subgroups.

5 Organization Structure & Relationships

The Wildland Fire Institute Board of Directors is responsible to the NWCG Executive Board.

The WFI BoD is advised by the WFI transitional Change Management Board (WFI CMB) until the Chief Learning Officer position is established, at which time the WFI transitional CMB is terminated. The WFI BoD also interacts with the NWCG Program Management Unit and the WFI Deans (once established).

5.1 Relationships:

The Board is a subgroup of the National Wildfire Coordinating Group Executive Board (NWCG EB) .

The Board is accountable to the National Wildfire Coordinating Group Executive Board (NWCG EB) .

5.2 Stakeholders & Partners

Wildland fire community

6 Membership

6.1 General :

The Wildland Fire Institute Board of Directors (WFI BoD) is appointed by and reports to the NWCG Executive Board. The WFI BoD membership is intended to represent executive leadership for the organizations from which the members come. One member represents the NWCG Executive Board and serves as liaison between the two boards. One member is selected to represent training and employee development expertise who is not a member of the NWCG agencies.

6.2 Primary :

Initial member's terms conclude every other year after the first two years until a pattern is established where by one new member rotates on every other year.

6.3 Associate :

At the discretion of the Chair, technical advisors may be added as associate members.

7 Products & Services

Strategic Plan for the Wildland Fire Institute

Annual and strategic recommendations for WFI funding and priorities

Annual Report to stakeholders