



ROCKY MOUNTAIN COORDINATING GROUP

Bureau of Indian Affairs (Southwest, Rocky Mountain and Great Plains Regions)
Bureau of Land Management (Colorado and Wyoming)
Fish and Wildlife Service (Mountain/Prairie Region)
Forest Service (Rocky Mountain Region)
National Park Service (Intermountain and Midwest Regions)
State Agencies in Colorado, Wyoming, South Dakota, Nebraska and Kansas

Minutes of Conference Call June 7, 2012 – 09:30

In Attendance:

Members

Chair Bob Jones
Vice Chair Ken Kerr
Mark Boche
Cal Pino
Mike Davin
Ron Graham
Jeff Fedrizzi
Rich Homann
Dave Hall

Unavailable

Bill Ott
Jay Esperance
Ross Hauck
Dan Smith
Dave Carter

Guests

Chad Ray
Gwenan Poirer
Erin Chialva
Kelly Kane
Clair Brown

Facilitator

Jim Fletcher

Business Manager

Brooke Malcolm

1. Decision Support Group Issue Paper

Kerr

- Proposal is to remove the DSG section from Chapter 20 of the 2013 mob guide and leave the WFDSS information. The MAC Plan will include all of the MAC support positions and their interaction with Predictive Services/coordination center's staff.
- Discussion showed RMA incidents do not request DSGs because they order the individual overhead positions instead of DSGs.
- Consensus was reached to approve the issue paper as is and it will be sent to Bob Jones for signature.

2. Team Availability and Stand-Downs

Fletcher

- The authority to stand down a team in PL 1-3 falls to the RMACC coordinator in coordination with the ops. committee chair, RMCG duty officer, the agency administrator, the zone boards, and coordinating group.
- The hierarchy for dealing with team issues is mob guide based as well as time sensitive and starts with the persons who initially receive/identify the issues such as the RMACC coordinator or the duty officer. The ops committee as overseers, the agency administrator, ultimately, and zone board (Great Plains) and coordinating group are next but can facilitate earlier in the process with team accountability.

- o Board members and the zone board members communicate, attend meetings, and coordinate with the ops committee to solidify the rosters and issues.
- o The ops committee will take the responsibility of reviewing the rosters before RMACC receives them.
- o Tasking will be assigned to Ken Kerr, Jeff Fedrizzi, and Dave Hall for addressing these team issues for Mob Guide verbiage.

3. IC Trainee Issue

Kane

- 1.) The proposal is to have the IC responsible for contacting the proper trainee from the priority list.
- 2.) The trainee will give a copy of their assignment evaluation to their Operations Committee representative who will forward it to the chair of the Committee.
- 3.) The IC will have 5 trainees on the mailing list.
 - o All will be supported by the Operations Committee.
- Issue is that the prioritizing and evaluation processes for IMT2 trainees are not clear to everyone involved.
- Discussed was that the trainees are listed in set order of their priority and whether the ICs should or should not be the one who contacts the trainee. IC's will be responsible for making contact with trainees, but trainees are responsible for keeping the on call IC's informed of their status.
- The issue paper will be approved as modified.

4. Duty Officer Roles & Responsibilities

Fletcher

- In Rocky Mountain Mob Guide: Chapter 10, Page 5-6 are the listed Responsibilities of the RMCG Fire Duty Officer.
- Recommended to add to the mob guide is for the duty officer to participate in IC and Ops calls to receive up-to-date information.

5. National Succession Strategy Update

Smith

- The dead line for the strategy update is June 15th and it is currently a still a draft plan. The NWCG will discuss their draft plan on June 20th, giving RMCG more information for finalizing the National Succession Strategy.
- The consensus was to post pone our deadline until after June 20th and then coordinate strategies between RMCG and NWCG as well as the task group.
 - o Bill Crasper approves of the postponement. Ron Graham and Bob Jones will work with him to create a rationale.

6. Platte Canyon IHC Certification

Fedrizzi

- Certification to be an IHC is not recommended at this time. Improvement of IA performance will allow for certification.
 - o IHC shadowing
 - o A written plan from Clair Brown for CSFS support and certification.
 - o The Ops Committee can support with this process.

7. MAC Exercise Scheduling

Jones

- It was recommended for the MAC Exercise to happen at the Spring Meeting with in the first week of April due to cost, scheduling, and time savings as well as good practice before fire season. This was agreed to.
- Per Mark Boche's request Jim Fletcher will schedule a remote/web based management at risk exercise for the RMACC refresher within a week.

8. RMCG Membership

Fletcher

- All-hazard team members and RMCG members both agreed the representation of the all-hazard team is important. In fall, RMCG members will look in to including them in the

official structure and organization of RMCG as well as a designated representative of the all-hazard team in RMCG.

9. RMCG visits to Type 1 & 2 incidents

Fletcher

- RMCG is obligated to visit, fill out checklist, and attend incidents and their meetings.
- Bob Jones and the duty officer will coordinate and attend the in-briefing for Team C's incident.