

# **ROCKY MOUNTAIN COORDINATING GROUP**

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# Conference Call January 6, 2011

## On Call:

Cal Pino Bob Jones Paul Hohn (for Jeff Fedrizzi) Dave Hall Dave Carter Joe Lowe/ Beth Hermanson Ken Kerr Bill Ott Rich Homann Jim Fletcher (Advisor) Wendy Heersink (Business Manager)

# Not Available:

Mark Boche Don Westover Dan Smith (NMAC representative) Mike Davin Ray Weidenhaft Ross Hauck

### I. Operations Committee Liaison-Fletcher

- Discussion on possible replacements for Ken Kerr.
- > 2 Individuals were identified as possible replacements.
- > Ken will serve as Liaison through January.
- > Further discussion will take place at Winter Meeting in Albuquerque.
- Need to keep in mind that if select someone that is already a Liaison for another committee, need to back fill.

### II. RMCG Calendars-Heersink

- Looking for approval.
- > Changed the dates of the November and December Conference Call dates.
- > Discussion on timing of meetings and Team applications.
- State members have a regular State call on the third Thursdays of each month.
- > November 10th and December 8th will have conference calls in 2011.
- Calendars were accepted.

## III. Geospatial Charter-Fletcher

- > Last change RMCG requested was to reference the RMCG Consensus Model.
- > Change was made, asking for final approval of charter.
- > Approval was given.

The Rocky Mountain Coordinating Group includes federal and state agency representatives who are responsible for the communications, coordination and implementation of interagency wildland fire management direction in the Rocky Mountain Area



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## IV. RMCG Operating Guide-Ott

- Suggestion was made to spend half a day at the Winter Meeting working on the RMCG Operating Guide.
- > Members will bring their completed sections to the Winter Meeting.
- > Members will send electronic versions to both Mike and Wendy.
- ➢ Needed to Wendy by January 10th.

#### V. Spring Meeting- Lowe/Hermanson/Jones

- Key note speaker Todd Conklin.
- ➢ Joe Pelly is on the agenda.
- Kelly Guette is also scheduled.
- > Tasking: Operations Committee to draft a proposed Spring Meeting Agenda
- Embassy Suites needs to have a signed contract by this January 31, 2011 to hold 2012 and 2013 meeting dates.
- > Ken Kerr will look into having Colorado BLM pay for 2012.
- Can still sign through South Dakota agreement. Joe will check to see the Secretary is comfortable to signing.
- Would not have to actually obligating the money. Just signing a contract on what we will pay and holding the dates.
- Cost is \$10,000 annually.
- Historically the incoming Vice Chair has been responsible for hosting the Spring Meeting. This needs to be in the Operating plan.
- Ken needs specifics on whom to contact and price so that he can discuss with his contract people.

#### VI. Winter Meeting

- ➤ Call for Topics:
  - Zone Team- will be in the Succession Planning section Operations Committee Team Selections RMCG Operations Plan/Guide Spring Meeting/Costs EOC/GACC
- > Need conference phone, lap top, projector, and white boards.
- Send Cal flight agendas and if you need to get picked up from the airport.