

WFDSS Notes for 2014

1. Mark Nelson is the new WFDSS Geographic Editor replacing Paul Langowski. 970-295-6685 office or 970-203-4870 cell.
2. Because WFDSS now has the ability to create draft decision documents there is no longer a need to give RO staff review/editing privileges in WFDSS. If RO review is needed, a draft of the decision document can be downloaded as a PDF and mailed to the reviewer electronically.
3. Time lines for publishing decisions remain the same as in the past – initial – within 24 hrs of exceeding IA or the fire will be managed long-term, intermittent – 3-5 days after the initial decision, long-term – 5-7 days after the last decision.
4. The initial decision can be very basic. MAPs, fire projections, etc. are not required in an initial decision. Consider using the 5 R's as the framework for the Rational Section. (Right Place, Right Time, Right Assets, Right Duration, Right Plan)
5. Incident Objectives should fall into two categories; protection objectives and resource benefit objectives.
6. A robust rational can be created through the use of the 10 Risk Framework questions included in the 2014 Chief's Letter of Intent for Wildland Fire Management. A template with the 10 questions is available in WFDSS under the reports tab. Look for "R2 Rational Risk Framework Questions".
7. Line Officer authority is defined by complexity – see 2014 Red Book pg 05-10.
8. A Delegation of Authority template is available in WFDSS to create a DofA directly from the WFDSS decision. The template is available under the Reports tab. Look for the template called; "R2 USFS Delegation of Authority". Use of the template is optional.
9. If neither of the FS GE's (Mark or Brenda) are going to be available for extended periods, a non-FS GE will be identified to help with technical WFDSS support. The contact info will be disseminated through the FMO –PDL.
10. Paul Langowski is available to help with intermittent and long-term decisions. He can be ordered through ROSS as a name request THSP.

