



# **Northern Rockies Coordinating Group**

Federal, State, and Local Government Agencies Working Together in Emergency Response Management

## **Board of Directors Conference Call Agenda**

**Tuesday, September 15, 2020**

**Conference Call Line: 888-844-9904 | Access Code 3599209#**

### **Participants:**

**Board Members:** Ray Hart, Aaron Thompson, Mike DeGrosky – Chair, Rich Cowger, Ralph Rau

**Deputies and Others:** Andrew Schell, Kevin Benton, Ryan Patrick, Pam Jolly

**Purpose:** Welcome and a reminder that this is a public meeting for the purpose of conducting government business.

### **NWCG/NMAC Update: (Aitor Bidaburu)**

- Unable to participate on call.

### **Northern Rockies GACC and Operational Updates:**

#### **NRCG Operations (Craig Goodell)**

- Unable to participate on call.

#### **NRCC Update (Kathy Pipkin)**

- Unable to participate on call.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

- None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Training Recommendation from Operations Committee – Informational Topic (Andy Schell)**

- (See Recommendation document in pre-reading materials.)
- Noticed some inefficiencies in the selection process.
- Operations Committee is unable to make informed selections from names only.
- Due to succession needs of IMTs, feel this approval could be held at the IC Committee level.
- Operations Committee liaison does attend IC Committee meetings; any concerns could be address through that channel.
- Last year over thirty individuals applied to this training.
  - Thompson – Would want to ensure that there was wide agency representation regarding attendees.
  - DeGrosky – Think that is a component that rely on Melissa Wegner provides during this coordination.
  - Rau – As long as Melissa Wegner is a part of that, should be good to meet that expectation.
  - DeGrosky – Would be a good conversation to have with Melissa Wegner at the Fall meeting.
  - Rau – Would be good to involve her in this discussion prior to the fall meeting.
  - DeGrosky – Suggestion to make this an agenda topic for next months call.
  - Thompson – Appreciate the Operations Committee looking at these efficiencies. Do feel it would be good to loop in Melissa Wegner.
- Schell – Will contact Melissa Wegner and discuss; and will presenting again at next month’s meeting.



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### **Fall Meeting Timeframes Discussion (Pam Jolly)**

- Dates of November 3 – 5<sup>th</sup> are set for the fall meeting; however, need to identify daily timeframes in order to create the Team Meeting invite.
- DeGrosky – Finding most have about a two hour tolerance limit for virtual meetings. Suggest meeting twice a day in two hour blocks, with two hour breaks in between.
- Thompson – Support two daily sessions of two hour blocks for three days in a row. Committees can present only if they have something for the BOD; otherwise, expectation will only be for the written report out.
- DeGrosky – Committees, Zones and Staff will submit written report outs in advance; thus, leaving meaningful time for discussion with committee during the meeting.
- Benton – Support.
- Pam Jolly will send out the NRCG Fall Meeting Team Meeting invites prior to close of business today.

### **Review of Action Items: (Mike DeGrosky)**

- Postponed in the interest of time.

**The next scheduled NRCG Monthly Conference Call is October 20, 2020 at 10:00 Hours Mountain Time**