



Northern Rockies Coordinating Group

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

Board of Directors Conference Call Agenda

Tuesday, June 22, 2021

SPECIAL SESSION

Participants:

Board Members: Darron Williams, Bryce Rogers, Aaron Thompson, Jim “James” Forsythe, Josh Harvey – Chair, Jake Ganieany, Rich Cowger – Vice Chair, Patrick Lonergan, Steve Holton, Ryan Melin, Ralph Rau,

Deputies and Others: Avery Thompson, Matthew Hall, Jay Lusher, Greg Morris, Sarah Lee, Jeni Jeresek, Tara Dana, Pam Jolly

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

Old Business

AFD Annual Operating Plan – Decisional Topic – Sarah Lee, Jeni Jeresek

- (See Pre-reading materials.)
- Pre-reading materials contain the spreadsheets for the "Status Quo" and "Proposed" NRCG Financial Plans. There are additional sheets within each Excel workbook that can be unhidden to view detailed information, but only the summary sheet is shown to prevent confusion and the ability to compare apples to apples.
- The decision language for the meeting is:
- Option 1 - Stay with "Status Quo" financial plan for FY2021 billing purposes and approve the "Proposed" for FY2022.
- Option 2 - Stay with "Status Quo" financial plan for FY2021 billing purposes and continue working* on proposed changes for FY2022.
- *If the vote is to continue working on proposed changes for FY2022, there needs to be a clear deadline and action items developed, since this tasking originated in September 2019.
- Sarah Lee - Intent is to avoid the BOD get into a deadline situation in FY22, as the task-group cannot continue devoting so much time to this tasking.
- Nothing has changed in the “Status Quo” financial plan for FY2021. (Reviewed in a screen share format.)
- Vote - Option 1: Stay with "Status Quo" financial plan for FY2021 billing purposes and approve the "Proposed" for FY2022.
 - BIA NW – Support
 - BIA GP – Support
 - BIA RM – Support
 - BLM – Support
 - FWS – Support
 - IDL – Support
 - DNRC – Do Not Support
 - ND FS – Support
 - NPS – Support
 - USFS – Do Not Support
 - **Vote is not approved.**



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- Vote - Option 2: Stay with "Status Quo" financial plan for FY2021 billing purposes and continue working* on proposed changes for FY2022.
 - BIA NW – Support
 - BIA GP – Support
 - BIA RM – Support
 - BLM – Support
 - FWS – Support
 - IDL – Support
 - DNRC – Support
 - ND FS – Support
 - NPS – Support
 - USFS – Support
 - **Vote is approved – unanimous consent.**
- **Action Item:** – Request for agencies that opposed Option 1 to submit feedback to Sarah Lee for recommended changes. Future timeframe will look to approve the FY2022 NRCG Financial Plan at, or before, the fall NRCG Meeting.

SIM Card Activation – Decisional Topic – Tara Dana

- (See proposal in pre-reading materials.)
- In person vote needed as only four BOD participated in the original online vote.
- Vote was then postponed from the June meeting due to a lack of a quorum.
- Reviewed history of this topic and reviewed proposal.
- Rich Cowger – Can assist with paying for this item.
- Ryan Melin – Could pick this cost up if could receive a bill prior to FY2021 June 30th deadline. Would need the bill to come from a federal agency or the coordination center due to internal agency processing requirements.
- Aaron Thompson – BLM could cover this for this year as well.
- Tara Dana – Could coordinates BLM payment with the provider SIM card activation contact.
- Sarah Lee – Noted that this item could be added into the proposed financial plan for FY2022.
- **Action Item: BLM, per Aaron Thompson, will pay for this for FY2021. These will be activated for this year only. Topic will be readdressed at the fall meeting.**

The next scheduled NRCG Monthly Conference Call is July 20, 2021 at 10:00 Hours Mountain Time