

RMCG Information/Education Committee
Jan. 25, 2012, Conference Call

Introductions (All) Katherine, Larry, Sheryl, Shannon, Cathy Lujan, Lynn Barclay, Traci Weaver, Gaylene

- **Cathy Lujan**, Wy Office of State Lands & Wyo. State Forestry. PIO and prevention
- **Lynn Barclay**, BLM, NW Colo Fire Management Center, MIS, PIO regional type 1 team
- **Sheryl Page**, USFS, Cooperative Fire Protection, Prevention & Mi
- **Shannon Gurney**, USFS, Cooperative Fire, Region Fire Prev. Coordinator for Reg. 2
- **Larry Helmick**, Retired NPS fire education, now cooperater, PIO 1 t, Prev Team Leader trainee
- **Bob Vogltance**, Neb. FS, dedicated fire prevention person, developing programs, writing articles, fire prevention programs, monitoring conditions, etc. Dry winter & lack of snow
- **Jason Hartman**, Kansas FS, charge of fire prevention/education for wildland program, supports volunteer fire departments who deliver the message to the public
- **Gaylene Rossiter**, Colo SFS, web manager, fire information officer getting news releases out when fires in state
- **Katherine Timm**, CSFS, outreach coordinator, anything communication, media & public relations, legislative affairs, conservation education, fire information education, volunteers, PLT, etc.

Upcoming training opportunities:

March 6-9: S-203 Basic Information Officer at Wyoming Fire Academy in Riverton

April 14-22 Nebraska Wildland Academy, Fort Robinson. 14 classes scheduled. Nebraska FS, nfs.unl.edu

May 18-20 Nebraska Fire Academy, central part of state,

June 4-7 P410: Prevention Team Leader Training, Colorado Wildfire Academy

- Info/Ed Committee Vacancies (Katherine/Lynn) One vacancy on the committee as Katherine Timm is retiring at the end of the month. David Peters from BIA also has a new job and may not be available for committee. Also need to check with SD state, is Steve Ipswitch the new rep? Gaylene will step in as chair for the rest of the year. Still don't have a USFWS representative. It is imperative that those of us on this committee participate. We need everyone involved.
- 2012 Plan of Work (All): Katherine & Gaylene will put together draft work plan
 - i. Continue focusing on website redesign
 - ii. Succession planning for prevention teams. Subcommittee worked on ways to help team members get signed off on taskbook. Still looking at academies and other ways for that.
 - iii. Charter needs updated to reflect RMCG language for consensus and other updates. Need to discuss how to deal with non-participating members as a committee. Should we look at minimum participation standards in our revised Charter? (Lynn, Katherine, Cathy, Traci)
 - iv. Any RMCG taskings, update member list, charter and meeting minutes are posted on RMCG website through Brooke ? (Gaylene)

- v. Look at posting links to webinars on our website. Send webinar links to this group (All)
 - vi. Cohesive Strategy: How can we as a group address it, share information, support it. Work with CEPC on Fire Adapted Communities and the new website. Success stories based on Cohesive Strategy, etc.
 - vii. Smokey 70th and 75th birthdays: Shannon is on the national subcommittee. She will report back on that in April.
 - viii. Consider providing information on website on how to tie in with fire investigators. With prevention teams, we added an optional fire investigator position. (Lynn will follow up with David Peters)
 - ix. Develop Interagency Fire Prevention Plan: Table it for now.
- FPET Applications/Process on RMACC Website (Sheryl/FPET Subcommittee)
 - i. Since the deadline has passed, have the application and process removed from website
- FPET Nominations Update (Sheryl/FPET Subcommittee)
 - i. Provided the nominations to RMAC. We don't need to go through the Ops committee, but rather Rich Helman (our committee's liaison). Katherine will close the loop on that today. Will send out a note as soon as finalized. Received 12 applications. Did not get many team leader applications. Other GACCs helped with team leads. RMCG has a team for each scheduled date that RM is responsible for providing a team. Should have opportunities for trainees as well.
- Update on Website Revisions (GayLene)
 - ii. Just received last of the photos and will be sending out masthead mock ups to review. Did not receive any feedback on 5-state map, so she's assuming it will work. Each state will link directly to state forest service from the map. Do we want to link to dispatch centers too?
 - iii. Submission schedule is out. Jason has submitted educational information for January.
 - iv. Consider putting features on the home page. Do we want to have features once a month – keep it fresh? Would we want the map on there too? Maybe put the map as sort of an anchor at the bottom of the front page, what's new at the top.
 - v. Don't want to change to new URL until mast head and home page are complete. Have contact page, information about us, etc., that's pretty well together. Fire information and education products still need to be worked on.
 - vi. Want to get flyers or something out to market the new site. Will have a redirect from our old site for a year.
- Update on Charter (Lynn)
 - i. Lynn and Traci will work on that and get a draft out to the group
- Committee Minutes on RMACC Website (Katherine)
- Other business: Nationally trying to put together a webinar for Prevention Team Leaders, preseason messaging, etc. Will get information out to everyone.

- Wyoming State Forestry is moving to 5500 Bishop Blvd. in Cheyenne.
 - Next Conference Calls – **April 25 and July 25**
Call in number: 866-620-7326, code 6001755099
- Face to Face meeting date: Watch for a doodle poll to schedule a meeting in the end of October in Fort Collins, Cheyenne, or Sydney.