

Arizona Interagency Coordinating Group
February 24, 2012
Conference Call Notes

UPCOMING AICG DATES

April 4, 2012, 0930	AICG	Conference Call
September or October	AICG	Meeting in Phoenix, AZ

Attendance			
	BLM Arizona		BIA Navajo – Dale Glenmore
X	FS Arizona – Judy Palmer	X	BIA Western – Keith Burnette
X	FS Southwest – Pam Bostwick	X	AZ State Forestry – David Geyer
X	NPS Intermountain – Jeff Hickerson	X	NPS – Firewise – Michelle Fidler
X	FWS Southwest – Rob Martin for Rod Lopez		
X	SWCG Liaison – Leon Ben, BIA		

SOUTHWEST FIRE SCIENCE CONSORTIUM PRESENTATION/WEBINAR

- Barb Satink Wolfson and Andi Thode presented information about the SWFSC.
- There are opportunities for the AICG to work with the consortium and submit project proposals.
- The presentation will be sent out to AICG members as a reference.
- Think about possible proposals for the AICG to develop and submit.
- Andi Thode asked about AICG involvement in an AZ Rx Fire Council.
- SWCG is reviewing a proposal to be involved in the AZ Rx Fire Council.
- AICG is exclusive (Federal and State agencies) whereas an Rx Fire Council is inclusive (NGOs, research facilities, universities, landowners, etc.)
- According to Rx Fire Council Coalition, “successful councils cannot be agency driven.”
- Agencies would want to have a seat on the council but not take the lead.
- AICG could have a representative on the steering committee.

APPROVAL OF FY 2012 AOP

- All agencies involved approve the amount of funding specified on the FY 2012 AOP. Keith Burnette will make sure the forms for the agreements are updated with the correct amounts and contact information.

SWCG DIRECTION ON FIRE RESTRICTION/CLOSURE COORDINATION

- The AICG Chair requested clarification as to fire restriction coordination expectations. SWCG advised that the local levels, Zone Boards and Prevention and Information Committee are tasked with this effort. The AICG does not need to be involved.

FIREWISE SUBCOMMITTEE (CURRENT PLACEMENT UNDER AICG)

- A proposal to move the Firewise Subcommittee to the Prevention and Information Committee was presented at the last SWCG meeting.

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- This item was tabled and will be listed as an agenda item for the next SWCG meeting on April 10-11.
- Michelle Fidler indicated that the Prevention and Information Committee is ready to move forward with the Firewise Subcommittee.
- David Geyer will follow up with AZSF on this subject for the next SWCG meeting.

Agency Reports	
US Forest Service	None
BLM AZ	
Nat Park Service	
Fish/Wildlife Svc	
BIA - Southwest	
BIA - Western	
BIA - Navajo	
AZ State	

AICG Action Items			
Topic	Action needed	Responsibility	Date
SWFSC	Identify needs that could be met by SWFSC (webinars, training, workshops, research). Develop and submit proposals	All	Ongoing
Firewise Subcommittee	Propose move of Firewise Subcommittee to Prevention and Information Committee at SWCG Meeting on April 10-11	David Geyer/ Leon Ben	April 10-11
FY 2012 AOP	Revise forms to reflect correct agency contributions and contact information for agreements	Keith Burnette	asap