

# **Southwest Fire Management Board Meeting** (Conference Call) **November 9, 2001**

## **Board Members present:**

Bob Lee (BLM-NM), Willie Begay (BIA), Jeff Whitney (FWS), Bill Waterbury (FS R-3), Vernon Ely (SWC)

The meeting began at 1000

## **Southwestern Coordination Center (SWCC) Operations Review**

Bob Lee is the leader of the review the roster of the review team was discussed, each agency will have a person on the team. Vernon Ely will get a roster of the team to Bob Lee by the 16<sup>th</sup> of November.

The review will consist of the Operational Review suggestions submitted by John Schulte following the format of the BLM's Preparedness Review guide. It will also review the facilities, structure, and organization of SWCC at the present time.

Bob Lee will draft a charter for the review team, this will be done by 11/16/2001. Review and comments will be due back to Bob by 11/23/2001.

## **SWCC Center Director Recruitment**

Department of the Interior (DOI) has a Standard Position Description GS-13 now and is waiting for Forest Service comments on it at this time, comments are due to DOI by 12/17/2001. It was suggested that this position be a Service 1<sup>st</sup> position shared by the FS and BLM reporting to either the FS or BLM representative of the board. The Board also wanted a Outgoing briefing from the review committee for input on recruiting a new Center Director.

## **Type I Team Nominations**

Bill Waterbury asked the other board members if they had received any nominations for S 520-620. None have been turned into any of the board members. Type I team nominations are not arriving yet and the board was asked to talk to the employees of there respective agencies to encourage them to submit there nominations.

## **Crew Typing**

Willie Begay brought the Typing of Crews. Bill Waterbury said he had the final chart if the NWCG's IOS Teams' typing standards and offered to mail it to members that needed it. Certifying the new type I crews was discussed as well as looking at a process for de-certifying type I crews if it would be needed.