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Guests: Larry VanBussum (Fire Environment Committee), Travis Touchette (WFSTAR), Paul Hannemann (C&GS Task Team Member).

Topic & Notes	Decision
Command and General Staff Tasking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Task Team completed their tasking. Executive Board further discussed the task team’s recommendations regarding “NWCG committee structure to manage wildland fire standards for command and general staff positions.” Next steps: The Executive Board will meet at a future date to continue discussing the topic. Will report out in March. 	Approved recommendation #5, Elevate the Leadership Subcommittee to a committee to promote and enable the development of leaders across all areas of wildland fire management. Topic added to March agenda.
Review and approval of 2019 <i>NWCG Standards for Fire Weather Stations</i> , PMS 426-3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed Changes: Due to increase in use of handheld electronic meters, standards for handheld electronic weather meters have been added to match the standards for other electronic weather sensors such as RAWs to the extent possible. 	Approved.
NWCG Other-than-English Publications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Fire Management Board (FMB) recommends availability of Spanish translations of NWCG course materials and other publications. Next steps: NWCG staff will research the costs, timeframes, and limitations of the recommendation and present them to the Executive Board at their next meeting. 	Topic added to March agenda.
Conversion of NWCG Writer-Editor position from BIA to BLM <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposing to shift the FTE and administrative supervision from BIA to BLM. Funding will continue to be provided by the BIA. Shared funding agreement will be revised to reflect the FTE change. 	Approved.
WFSTAR move from the National Interagency Fire Center (NIFC) website to the NWCG website <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The move was completed in mid-December 2018. A redirect is in place on the NIFC website to take users directly to the NWCG WFSTAR page. An overview of the WFSTAR page was given showing the functionality and responsiveness gained by moving websites. 	N/A



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<p>New FEMA Instructor Qualification Requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">The FEMA process to maintain currency for NWCG instructors of NIMS Position Specific Courses has changed. NWCG Training is working with GATRs and FEMA EMI to determine potential solutions. NWCG Training will provide future updates to the Board.	<p>NWCG Training will work with the Emergency Management Institute to explore options for compromise on instructor qualifications to take to FEMA.</p>
<p>Update EB-M-18-002: National Mobilization requirements for Type 3 General Staff Position-Change of Implementation date, and Clarification of Position Task Book (PTB) Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Neither local dispatch area nor national mobilization have been defined.	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Update Incident Communications Advisory Council Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Firescope and DHS are actively engaged in the topic. Next meeting will be March 18-22 in San Diego. Aitor Bidaburu, NWCG Executive Board representative on this issue, will report out at the April meeting.	<p>Topic added to April agenda.</p>