NWCG Meeting Notes May 19, 2021

Executive Board: Aitor Bidaburu (USFA), Dan Smith (NASF), Shane McDonald (FWS), Mark Koontz (NPS), Tim Sexton (RD&A), Jim Durglo (ITC), Will May (IAFC), Kim Van Hemelryck (DOI OWF Liaison), Jeff Arnberger (BLM), Garth Fisher (BIA), Heath Hockenberry (NWS), Frank Guzman - Chair (USFS)

NWCG Staff: Katherine Wood (NWCG Program Manager), Deb Fleming (Coordinator), Heather Harkley (Executive Secretary), Kathryn O'Hara (Coordinator), Annie Benoit (NWCG Training), Jesse Bender (Publications Manager), Nancie Turner (Webmaster), Jeff Hughes (Training Program Manager), Mark Cantrell (NWCG Training), Chris Marks (Coordinator)

Guests: Heath Cota (TDC), Peter Dutchick (TDC), Erik Litzenberg (IAFC)

Topic & Notes	Decision
 Welcome – Agenda Review / Review Active Taskings / Staffing Update / Project Priorities: Staffing update provided. Reviewed and validated Active Taskings and Project Priories https://www.nwcg.gov/priorities 	N/A
 Close-Out of TDC Tasking: TM-20-003, Alternative Course Delivery: Moving forward with virtual training in light of COVID19 Tasking is completed, although work will continue on ensuring content is available for virtual delivery in the Learning Portal. 	APPROVED
 Tasking Update (19-002) NWCG Course Management Subgroup Assessment – NCSC Recommendations: Presented recommendations to stand up the D-510 Course Steering Committee, remove the Dispatch Efficiencies (DEW) Subcommittee (DESC), National Intelligence Subcommittee and SIT 2009 Change Board, and rename the Training Subcommittee. Also proposed updates to several mission/objective statements. Remaining committees include NIAC and SmoC 	APPROVED
 Cleaning up Committee Rosters/Roles/Membership Docs: Agreed with a primary and alternate member in alignment with the SOP's. Seeing more duplicate agency representation 	N/A
 Incident Position Performance Cycle (updates to the Standards Management Cycle); alternatives for moving forward and reallocating FY21 funding: Provided a historical background of Tasking 2015 TM-15-003_Training System Assessment, reviewed the recommendations provided in response to the tasking including progress since 2015, and offered options for moving forward based on previous NWCG EB feedback. 	Executive Session scheduled to determine next steps

Additional information beyond these meeting notes (i.e. handouts, presentations, maps, etc.) will require a FOIA request to ensure proper privacy regulations are followed. Please request via FOIA Online website at https://www.doi.gov/foia/make-a-request



Topic & Notes	Decision
• Options included: 1) Returning to the "old way" of updating course material or 2) Moving forward with a systems approach to incident position development – this will initially address the 60+ Ops/Safety positions – while simultaneously developing a process/guidance for committees to update their own current training (Instructor Guides and PPTs) with a Level II Certification – this will address the other 60+ non-Ops/Safety positions.	
 NWCG Training suggested using end of year money to contract some of the standards and training development to determine if that was a viable option to expedite the process of updating the extensive inventory of positions. 	