

NLOT Conference Call
Friday, November 20, 2015
0900 Pacific/1000 Mountain/1100 Central/1200 Eastern
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WELCOME & ROLL CALL

Attendance: Ralph Rau, Paul Crespin, Sarah Tomsy, Scott Russell, Cecilia Seesholtz, Patti Grantham, Jon Regelbrugge, Tom Montoya, Mark Van Every, Ed Hunter, Allen Nicholas, Sherry Tune, Tawnya Brummett, Tim Channon, Becki Heath, Dana Reid, Dan Olsen, Deana Wall (notes)

Guests: Denise Blankenship

Becki - Excited to re-connect today, the work of October's meeting was shared across many audiences, excited to make this work a priority. Welcome Sarah Tomsy as the new R3 Rep.

AGENDA TOPICS

520 Coaches - Dana

- Nominations due today to Dana.
 - Regions 1, 6 and 10 have submitted nominations.
 - No other interest except Patti Grantham and Sherry Tune, if needed.
 - Cecilia may not be able to attend so will need a very experienced Coach to assist Frank in 2016.
 - Becki echoes the importance to get the right coaches in those positions.
- Frank, Becki, and Cecilia will review the nominations and make selections.

Risk Summit - Dana

- Dana is coordinating with Hope on the Risk Summit group, who is tracking attendees. Hope is meeting with Larry and Shane today to determine if there is a potential for additional Line Officer slots. Hope indicated that a prioritized list from NLOT would be helpful; Dana will get with Becki.
- Nominees should expect to hear back today, directly from the Risk Summit Group.
- NLOT already in attendance: Cecilia, Tawnya and Tom (as well as other Line Officers).
- Becki - At WFLC, especially among Regional Foresters, there is tremendous conversation surrounding risk. The conversations are happening everywhere. The priority of the Chief this year is the risk surrounding Initial Attack. The Risk Summit is timely and the NLOT risk group will get a big leg ahead with the Risk Summit.

October Meeting Follow-up - Dana/All

2016 Program of Work - Lead for each Work Item

- NLOT Orientation Package - Sherry
 - Website looks great.
 - Adding history of NLOT and uploading PPT once complete, to be posted by end of next week.
 - Feedback to the orientation sections of the website should be sent to Sherry; specifically from Sarah as she becomes acquainted with NLOT.
- S-520 - Cecilia
 - We have started to talk about how to lay out the week and selections for student attendees. Will look for help from the new coaches once selected.
- NFML -Tawnya
 - NFML 2016 is scheduled for Tuesday, March 29th thru Saturday, April 2nd with travel on the 28th.

- The class has some changes to it; however there hasn't been time to change the course entirely. More changes to the curriculum are anticipated for 2017.
- This year's (2016) changes include:
 - Adding a staff ride to Los Alamos.
 - Class is moved to Santa Fe Community College from NAFRI.
 - There will be specific conversations to risk management, etc. to reflect our fall meeting.
 - Number of attendees needs to be reduced due to staff ride, typical 100 attendees cap, cap this year will be ~ 60.
 - Perhaps still some additional changes proposed (yet TBD); NFML to become an advanced class and local classes remain the same.
- Becki - It is likely that NFML will be a requirement in 2017 to become an Advanced Line Officer.
 - Becki believes it's the intent to grandfather current Advanced Line Officers in; however, you may choose to go to this session as a part of 'refresher' requirement.
- Announcement for NFML is not out yet, expected December or January.
- RX Certification - Mark
 - Becki - Due to the added workload at the RFD/NLOT meeting, we need to take stock to see if we have the capacity to take on this topic.
 - Task at this point is to "frame the problem".
 - Mark will work with Scott and Ralph to frame up the problem statement; document to articulate the current challenges and the workload associated.
 - Completed: February NLOT call
- Fire Fatalities/Serious Injuries - Allen
 - Allen has gathered multiple documents; will provide an update in February.
 - There is a CRP training in March which may provide an opportunity to comment on the rewrite of the Guide.
 - Mark will provide a copy of the draft "unplanned event job aide" to Allen.
- Effectiveness on Utilization of AAs - Sherry/John
 - No update.
 - Sherry will be POC for Tami Parkinson regarding updates to the 'Desk Guide'.
- Line Officer Awards - Ed
 - Ed will continue working on the award criteria updates.
- Risk Management (Potential Work Item) - Dana
 - Any roll out from the Risk Summit will be incorporated into the Risk Work Item and newly formed Workgroup.
- Communication & Information Sharing - Dana
 - This topic will be a priority on the next NLOT call.

RFD/WO-FAM/NLOT Leader's Intent - Becki & Dan Olsen

- The Executive Group had a conference call last week and agreed to action items:
 - WO-FAM is setting up individual calls with each Workgroup; between now and holidays to include Harbour as a part of kick-off call. The call will include the Workgroups and the Executive Group to give focused leader's intent and expectations about the mission, focus on outcomes for products in time for western fire season.
 - Drag sent out invites for the calls yesterday; Becki and Patty had not received, Dan will follow-up.

- NIMO will be included in the Chief's Intent call to ensure coordination and to prevent duplication.
- The RFD/WO-FAM/NLOT (now called the National Fire Leadership Council) notes will be sent to the group this afternoon via Dana.
 - Intent behind renaming of the group is to reflect the importance of this one group working together on these important issues.
- Dan - He is committed to provide additional resources/investments in staffing to support the heavy lifting. The Workgroups are to provide leadership.
- Becki - There is a lot of agreement amongst all groups that this is where focus needs to be. We will have to continue to pay attention to associated workloads.

OTHER TOPICS

Spring Meeting for National Fire Leadership Council - Becki

- The Spring meeting will be sometime in March/April; Becki has asked FAM to provide dates ASAP
- The intent is for the same kind of gathering, different agenda perhaps.

NLOT Representative for Fire and Land Management Planning - Becki

- Received a request from Elizabeth Reinhardt to provide input on the LMP Revision Guide Technical Committee which will include a face-to-face meeting in January, Boise or Missoula.
 - Sarah Tomsy and Jon Regelbrugge volunteered; however, they may not be available in January. Other interested NLOT members should talk to Becki.

FOLLOW-UP ITEMS

- **Dana** - Close the loop on Risk Summit nominations.
- **Sarah** - Provide feedback to Sherry on website.
- **Dan/Becki** - Confirm dates for the Spring National Fire Leadership Council meeting.
- **Denise/Dana** - Confirm dates of the Land Management Planning meeting in January.
- **Dan** - Ensure Patty and Becki are included on call invites for the three work groups and that NIMO (Dana Carter or Dana Reid) are included for the Chief's Intent.
- **Dan/Dana** - Send out notes from the National Fire Leadership Council meeting.

NEXT CONFERENCE CALL

- December 18th, 0900 Pacific/1000 Mountain/1100 Central/1200 Eastern.