

October 2018 Task Force Meeting

10/25/2018

0930, MIFC

Conference Call 1 available – 888.742.5095; code 856 204 8339

Attendees: Seth Grimm, Cory Berg, Ron Stoffel, Kurt Fogelberg, Chase Marshall, Roy Holmes, Rebekah Luedtke, Natasha Woodwick

AGENDA ITEM

NOTES

<p>Building / Budget Update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building report – over the past month – split D. Hahn’s old office into 2, center manager’s office is ready for furniture install. Prepping Neuman and Woodwick’s new offices upstairs, which will allow Lundgren to get an office finally. Estimate to repair ‘new’ Tool Cad that was obtained from FEPP - \$1,800. Approved. \$164k set aside for dispatch remodel at this point. Pat Coughlin’s working on the radio project, waiting on those numbers to insert into the budget. Budget is sitting well with some contingency funds set aside for the dispatch remodel and radio work.
<p>MNICS & IMT Meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MNICS meeting - Registration packet has been sent out. Rebekah made up a nice announcement to go along with it. Agenda is pretty final. Good feedback from working teams so far. 50 registered to date, usually get 120-130. Registration usually due by a couple weeks prior to the meeting. • Discussion on T2 & T3 IMT agenda item – should it be one person or have a panel? Seth will touch base with Riggins, Langford on availability. Intro plus a Q & A? Facilitator? • Bidding for location will go out soon for IMT meeting, in Duluth.
<p>Annual Report Annual Awards</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed some awards. Noms are due 11/2. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Greg Peterson – Service ○ Mark Wurdeman – Retirement ○ Ron Stoffel – Service ○ Lee Schaar – Outstanding Performance ○ Steve Olson – Retirement • Annual report submissions have been lacking to date. Please make sure agency and working team reports are submitted by 11/2. If nothing is submitted, it will be skipped in the report.
<p>Update on EA T2 IMT ICAP?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ICs have been selected – Steve Goldman & Brian Pisarek. Tuesday is C&G selections, EACG will review and approve afterwards. • Alternate pool is heavy as expected, may require additional follow-up with individuals to be primary. It’s apparent some individuals are trying to “stack the deck” on their chances to go with out of GACC teams as well.

<p>Interagency T3 IMT assignment update</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee has not met yet. • Tasha has been doing some data gathering, putting together some general ideas, sample SOPs, ROSS reports, etc. • TF should be prepared to get involved and help with the assignment. • December is looming, lots of heavy lifting to be done between now and then.
<p>2019 Governor's Conference vendor booth</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feb 12th-14th in north MSP. • What's the incentive? Unknown. • Need to have more answers before we have a booth. Tabled until more conversation with the BOD. • Retired ICs, LOFRs, PIOs would be good candidates to staff the booth.
<p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RED Training - Berglund dedication - 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is some Remote EDucation training coming up in November hosted by Northern Rockies with modules for GIS, T3 Plans and FireNet - would be good to take advantage of the training. The link will be emailed out to agencies and individuals who are targeted for the training. https://sites.google.com/firenet.gov/nrtcremoteeducation/home • Dedication of the Carson Berglund Training Room is planned for November TF meeting. Stoffel will send a note out inviting people / family to attend.
<p>Agency Updates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NPS – as of 10/1/18 NPS boundaries have been reconfigured. VOP, Isle Royale and Grand Portage are now part of the Border park group. St. Croix will be out of the Dunes park group, but still dispatched out of MNCC. Discussions happening on the NPS airplane – on 11/1 there is a meeting with the FS to consider an agreement to store and fly the plane. Bill Alleman moved to the Ozarks (MO). • USFS – Regional FMO meeting in WV last week. R9 & NASPF are blending, still unknown what that looks like or what the impacts are. Talked about ADs a lot, a lot positive discussion but still some work to be done. ADs are generally in 3 groups - Local needs, national surge, EMT group (IN). Anticipate more change in the future. Budget talk was big. Paul Hancock is the new SUF deputy Forest Supervisor. Targets increasing again in FY19. Outreach for 2 pilots is closed, good group of candidates. Pilot mechanic filled, will be out of Ely. Fire hire ongoing. Patty Johnson still on a detail with R9. • BIA – FMO position approved by region, hopefully advertising soon. Will be shifting supervision after that is filled. Forester at WE retired, Dave Snetsinger Jr took that position. WE looking at filling fire prevention specialist. Steve Olson retiring on Friday from FDL. Position is open now. RL still has some fire staff on. WE looking at doing some prairie burns if conditions allow. • HSEM – continuing to be busy with storm recovery. FEMA has a field office at GR airport to help deal with that. NE staff recently participated in a training and exercise. Recent international bridge exercise in Sept in International Falls. Ontario hosting first Friday webinar to discuss international relationships/ work groups. Increased requests for school safety/ shooting analysis in MN. • FWS – hoping for budget soon. Made selection for Morris position. Plan for GS9 hire at Glacial Ridge. Don Lantz will be acting from November through December as Seth will be detailing into Tamarac Project Leader. Burning where and when they can.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DNR – Supervision of Air Desk staff will switch to Rebekah after the 1st of the year. Received \$420k for 2 virtual training simulators, one at Willow River, one portable.• MNCC – Anticipating the remodel of the dispatch floor, high hopes this will aid in cementing in the integration, been a long time coming. Still concerns about the radio and network systems. In reviewing the last year, there's been a lot of good progress but still a lot more to do – standard operating procedures, etc. Will be sending out a survey to MNICS staff for their feedback to date on MNCC and the 2018 season. Considering an exercise/ simulations for early 2019.
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Next meeting: November 20th @ MIFC

- Agenda item for the BOD – agreement facilitation through HSEM for emergency managers (counties, fire departments, etc).