

## 12/1/2020 OWT meeting notes

Chair – Jim Edgar

Vice Chair – Adam Cook

### Participants

- Aaron Mielke, Joe Meyer, Nick Petrack, Mike Klick, Jeb Backe, Ben Roy, Zach Saumer, Jason Westholter, Dan Paulson, Nick Able, Kurt Schierenbeck, Rob Focht, John F, Seth Nelson, Kelly Sande, Greg Vollhaber, Chris Kramer, Phil Millette, Justin O'Brien, Mike Rice, Greg Gulan, BJ Gotchie, Tom Roach.

### T3 Team Recap

- 3 IC's E. Schmidt, T. Roach, J. Edgar
- IC's are working on Rosters.
  - o Less applicants than last year but feel comfortable moving forward to with 3 Teams.
- Adding 3 positions to help with COVID, to be ordered if desired when activated.
  - o Liaison Officer
  - o Safety Officer
  - o Medical Unit Leader
- Recruitment
  - o May change fall rostering needs which might help recruitment numbers.
- Discussions about making a T3 team available nationally.

### T2 IA Crews

- Had 2 crews rostered on June 3 of 2020
- No 20 person IA crews mobilized in 2020 due to COVID
- Jason Westholter is IA Crew subcommittee chair and will remain for 2021
  - o Has electronic files and will work with Mielke to get them posted to the MNICS OWT link.
- Backe from IARR perspective
  - o R9 was really the only region kicking out 10 person suppression mods instead of IA crews.
  - o Seems some IMT's were unsure on how to utilize 10 person mods.
  - o 20 person IA crews will probably be ordered before 10 person mods. Atleast by IMT's
- Vollhaber/ Backe & Cook will work together to weigh out pro's vs con's of T2IA crews vs 10 person mods.
- IA crew subcommittee member change for FS from Ryan Miller to Zach Saumer
- Goal is to have IA crews rostered by Early June
  - o Who at MNCC is the subcommittee work with?
    - Roy will work with Chase Marshall to figure this out
- Subcommittee will work with MNCC contact to establish deadlines for 21 IA crews (application & cohesion meeting).

#### IQS Crosswalk

- Mielke – Crosswalk to utilize better utilize structure departments on wildland incidents and to help fill IMT needs.
- Joe Meyer and Kelly Sande want to be included in these discussions.
- Rice – Topic also came up on the Training Working Team Meeting
- Edgar will reach out to other Working Teams to help recruit more support to make this happen for ALL IMT functions and establish a formal request to the Task Force to add the State Fire Marshall as a potential member of MNICS.

#### Meeting Notes

- Mielke working with Leann at MNCC to add OWT notes and documents to the MNICS website under the OWT link.
- Send any documents you may have to Mielke.

#### Vice Chair

- Phil Millette offered to take the DOI Vice Chair role in 2022/23 then Chair in 24/25.
- Edgar and Vollhaber will work to recruit next DNR Vice Chair for 2024

#### Urban Interface Plan

- Vollhaber and Roy worked on it in early 2020 and will work with Leann to finalize and add it to OWT link on the MNICS website.
  - o Plan to have it finished by Feb 4 2021

Meeting adjourned at 1345 Notes by A. Cook