

WFDSS GAE October 2021 Call Agenda

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**Call purpose:**

To share information between and among the GAEs and the RDA to promote coordination and information exchange to and from users.

**Roll Call:**

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Note taker: TBD

- Notes are posted [here](#)

Attachments: none

Agenda Items:

General- Morgan Pence

- Planned outages/reboots are posted to the [GAE Calendar](#)

Emerging Issues- All Call Participants

New GAE Welcome- Morgan and Rick

- Scott Linn, FS for North and South Ops
- Goodbye to Amy Zeigler, NPS
- Diane Abendroth (NPS) has been covering this role as a detailer, she will retain the role at this time even though detail is complete
- If you have GAE changes please let Rick and Morgan know- we adjust the roles in WFDSS, the mailing list, and the IIA helpdesk contact list.

RDA Staffing- Morgan and Rick

- Andrew Bailey has moved on 😞. We anticipate a detailer behind him soon.
- A detailer behind Mitch Burgard is expected soon.
- We are working on getting a detailer behind Diane Rau
- Tami Parkinson is taking a detail to R1 FS, RDA working to advertise a detail behind her.

WFDSS Quick Tip – Morgan and Rick

- Periodic Assessments- what it takes to make them stop.
  - Periodic Assessments stop when an incident has an Out Date
  - Check if decision is not out for approval (locking it from receiving updates from IRWIN, including the out date).
    - If a decision is out for approval it has to be approved or rejected
      - If the plan is to reject and the approver is not available, an owner can and someone as a reviewer and the reviewer can reject it.
  - Incident needs to be marked “Out” which for most incidents comes from CAD, but can come from other sources including WFDSS. Note CAD has a higher ADS than WFDSS and can overwrite values entered by WFDSS.

- If the incident is already in the fire reporting or the certified state then the Out Date will need to come from Informs.

#### WFDSS O&M Status/Update – Morgan Pence and Rick Mowery

- Our Project Manager is working with FAMIM to obtain Risk Based Decision documentation to support Classic WFDSS not taking on upgrades and infrastructure changes as the current plan is to sunset the application in approx. 1 year, and before fire season 2023.
- As a result we are currently planning for a release November 10<sup>th</sup> that focuses on higher priority bugs that impacted front end users this fire season and some behind the scenes clean up items.
- We are still working on loading AK landfire data, it is currently being reviewed in our lower environments.
- We are tentatively planning to continue general bug fix releases through the winter/spring on an 8 week cycle.

#### AA Information/Coordination: Tami Parkinson

- None for this call

#### Geospatial Data –

- Refresh- we are using a BLM resource to assist in getting caught up on refresh plan from 2021. Currently being worked is: USFS Trails, Fuel Treatments, campgrounds. Up next is: BLM buildings, Transmission lines, electric substations, and power plants
- FMU/SO Update: There is one more chance to update yet this year. Data is due to your agency lead by 11/3, and will be available in WFDSS 11/17.
- Rick Mowery and Morgan Pence are now the contacts for the agency GIS leads to send FMU/SO updates to. We have notified the agency GIS leads.
- We will be working on the FMU/SO update schedule and Refresh Plan for 2022 soon.

#### IRWIN Status – Morgan and Rick

- Unknown yet what changes are coming in the next iteration of IRWIN.

## WFDSS Next Gen Update –Wes Hall

- Currently Go live date is end of October 2022. Right now we are working on the map, search functions, and then Relative Risk and FSPro. Will continue work on spatial fire planning. We may not have Basic, STFB, NTFB in the initial release.
- SO/FMU shapes/direction loaded to Classic WFDSS will be used as snap shot to preload the spatial fire planning service, ergo if you have units that have changes they want/need to make they should go ahead and do so, it will not be a waste of time to update them in Classic.
- Next Gen will rely on services for many of the functions, for example most of the data layers will be pulled in through services which will ensure the data is pulled from the source and kept current to their efforts, and the models will also function as a service.
- We have not begun to work out yet the transition details for how to manage incidents that overlap the transition timeframes.

## IFTDSS- Kim Ernstrom

- FTEM Season is off and running - things are working smoothly so far. Check out IFTDSS and the FTEM landing page after you log in - <https://iftdss.firenet.gov> if you need information about entering data or need to contact the Agency Administrators for access. There is well documented Online Help if needed: [About FTEM \(firenet.gov\)](#)
- IFTDSS Team working on a lot of backend development - moving the application to a new Cloud Service
- IFTDSS Team working on building online training modules in the NWCG Wildland Fire Learning Portal to be released this winter: "How to use IFTDSS for your Burn Plan"
- IFTDSS Storymap coming soon! Highlighting primary functionality and some case studies on how the system is being utilized in the field across a variety of projects - NEPA, Treatment Prioritization, Burn plans.
- If you or someone you know is having success using IFTDSS on local projects please reach out to Kim Ernstrom - we are always looking to hear from our users and want to know what is working and what is not! [kim\\_ernstrom@nps.gov](mailto:kim_ernstrom@nps.gov)

## Round Robin:

Share coordination opportunities, anticipated fire activity and trainings, share feedback from WFDSS users, etc.

- Alaska: nothing
- Eastern: quiet
- Great Basin: nothing
- NorCal: Eamon replaced Amy who retired. NorthOps got good ran, SouthOps still have potential

- SoCal:
- Northern Rockies:
- Northwest: PA assessment quick tip good
- Rocky Mountain: PA assessment quick tip was good
- Southwest: few fs units with updated forest plan will be submitting their spatial
- Southern: fall risk assessment showing trending to above normal risk in TX/OK and eastern states elevated, anticipate busier than normal and will likely have drier winter which could bring earlier fire season.

## Next Call

- January 20th, 2021- our ANNUAL AAR
- Monthly emails will come out the third week of the month for November and December

## Main WFMRD&A contacts for WFDSS related items:

- WFDSS Operations and Maintenance: Morgan Pence [morgan.pence@usda.gov](mailto:morgan.pence@usda.gov), Rick Mowery [rick.mowery@usda.gov](mailto:rick.mowery@usda.gov),
- WFDSS Data: Vacant. Interim contacts Morgan Pence and Rick Mowery
- WFDSS Role Issues: Contact the On Call Coordinator: 208-387-5253
- IRWIN WFDSS liaison: : Morgan Pence [morgan.pence@usda.gov](mailto:morgan.pence@usda.gov), Rick Mowery [rick.mowery@usda.gov](mailto:rick.mowery@usda.gov),
- WFDSS Help Content and Training Resources and Helpdesk Liaison: Vacant. Interim contacts Morgan Pence and Rick Mowery
- Active incident decision and analysis support: All NFDSC personnel, best to contact On Call Coordinator (208) 387-5253
- IFTDSS: Caroline Noble and Kim Ernstrom, [caroline\\_noble@firenet.gov](mailto:caroline_noble@firenet.gov), [kim\\_ernstrom@nps.gov](mailto:kim_ernstrom@nps.gov)
- GAE call management: Morgan Pence [morgan.pence@usda.gov](mailto:morgan.pence@usda.gov)
- When in doubt contact the On-Call Coordinator and they will route you: (208) 387-5253

## References

Agency Administrator Toolbox: [https://wfmrda.nwcg.gov/agency\\_admin\\_toolbox.php](https://wfmrda.nwcg.gov/agency_admin_toolbox.php)

GAE Resources: <https://wfmrda.nwcg.gov/wfdss-ga-editors.php>