

Sept 2021 - GAE Correspondence

Reminders:

- Next Month is a Call month. Our GAE call will be Oct. 21st at 1300 Mountain Time.
- We post the reboot schedule to the GAE and Training calendar when we get it.
- The NFDSC evening calls are no longer daily, they are every other day at 1900 Mountain Time (the firenet teams invite was adjusted). The intent remains to dialogue on needs for LTAN/SOPL/FBAN/WFDSS Drivers/THSP between GAs to attempt to take advantage of resources that might not be in IROC because they aren't available for a full 14 or for partial days or virtual only
 - Mark Hale/Tim Sexton are currently evaluating a glide path/transition plan for the evening calls and the analysts efforts.

NEW GAE Welcome-

- Good-bye to Rich Sterry (FWS NR, RM, GB), he will be replaced by Tate Fischer
- Please continue to let us know as you become aware of GAE changes for your agency.

RDA Staffing

- Andrew Bailey, Data Manager for the RDA, will start his new position, as Management and Program Analyst with the Wildland Fire Data Management Program, at the end of the month.

Common Issues and Resolution

- **ERC discrepancies** – We continue to repull WIMS observations and calculate ERC each night, this is now completed via a nightly utility.
- **Uploading multiple perimeters into one fire record** – last month we provided some information about impacts for loading perimeters for more than one incident into one incident in WFDSS. We now have that information published in the Help: https://wfdss.usgs.gov/wfdss_help/9369.htm

Classic WFDSS O&M Update/Status

- Lauren Hilsabeck, Project Manager for Classic WFDSS & Next Gen WFDSS has taken a new position. Until there is an official decision made, we get to keep the detailed PM, James Haley! James has been detailed to the WFDSS Projects since May.
- We are working to understand what maintenance/upgrades will be required before next fire season so we can balance that work load and identify our future release dates.
- We are currently loading 2016 AK Landfire data.

IRWIN Updates

- The IRWIN team is planning for a 7.x release and not a V8 in 2022. At this time we do not yet know what changes/impacts the 7.x release will include.

Geospatial Data

- The RD&A data team is experiencing some staffing challenges that have affected our data loading schedule. We are utilizing a BLM resource to load the more critical data layers. Please contact Morgan and Rick if you have questions about specific

data layers, including timing or prioritization. We are attempting to prioritize data loads based on relevance to agency policy, followed by remaining critical infrastructure layers.

- FMU/SO Schedule-
 - We are currently processing an FMU/SO update, which will be available next week on 9/22
 - There is another update in November, data is due to your agency lead on 11/3 and due to WFDSS team by 11/10.

WFDSS Next Gen

- The development team continues to work with CIO/FAM IM on getting FAM Auth / iNAP set up
- Work is ongoing to provision the Training and Production environments
- Current work surrounds spatial inventory, user drawn shapes, map layers and user search.
- Due to some delays in authentication/ and CI/CD pipeline development the updated target delivery date of WFDSS NextGen is currently October 2022. This date could shift in the future based on many dependencies primarily in the realm of IT requirements that are outside the control of the WFM RD&A.