

November 2021- GAE Correspondence

Reminders:

- No calls in November and December. **Our January call, 1/20/22 @1300,** will be our annual AAR call. Please submit topics to Rick and Morgan. We have not sent out a calendar invite yet, waiting to learn if we will renew Go-To Licenses or need to shift to Teams.
- We post the reboot schedule to the GAE and Training calendar when we get it. Next Reboots for Prod and Training are 12/6 at 0500 and 0700 Mtn respectively.

NEW GAE Welcome-

- Goodbye Andrew Ruth (NPS Eastern/Southern)
- Please continue to let us know as you become aware of GAE changes for your agency or area.

RDA Staffing

- Vice Mitch position is open Nov. 17-24 Here is the link to USA jobs. <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/622434800>
- Jennifer Jenkins (AK BLM) will detail behind Andrew Bailey, she starts 11/22, Welcome Jenn
- Tami Parkinson is on a 120 day detail to FS R1

Common Issues and Resolution:

- The 6.4.11 release (Nov 10th) resolved several items impacting users. See release notes below for more information about the changes.

Classic WFDSS O&M Update/Status

- 6.4.11 was released November 10th. [Release notes](#) are located on the homepage. A few of the improvements made include:
 - Ensuring shapes loaded or edited as M.A.P.s can't have the same name
 - Users with apostrophes in their names can now complete analysis and take map captures without breaking the incident content tree.
 - Made improvements to the generation of LCPs, reducing corruption/errors with LCPs
 - LF 2016 with 2020 Capable Fuels is now available in Alaska
 - Corrected an issue in which the group M.A.P. map was out of date when a decision was returned for edits
- Our spring release schedule is not yet set as it is dependent on the IRWIN 7.1 Release schedule. We have tentative plans for a release in late February (6.4.12) that will be focused on changes needed to ensure WFDSS can work with the next iteration of IRWIN (7.1) scheduled for March 21. After that we will have 1 or 2 releases prior to July. This is subject to change as IRWIN finalizes their plans.

IRWIN Updates

- The IRWIN team is planning for their 7.1 release on March 21st with testing the week of January 31st. While the IRWIN 7.1 changes are not yet approved by their governing body, there are multiple proposed changes that will require updates to WFDSS if approved.

Geospatial Data

- The [2022 FMU/SO update schedule](#) is posted. The next available load is in February, with data due to agency leads by 2/2 and the data due to the WFDSS contacts (Rick Mowery and Morgan Pence) by 2/9.
- RDA Data Team members are coordinating meetings with agency contacts as they set the data refresh schedule for 2022. We will communicate and post the schedule early 2022.

WFDSS Next Gen

- Moving forward with test units on the Spatial Fire Planning Service. If you want to submit test units please email Wes Hall (Wesley.hall@usda.gov).
- Working with the GSC and the IFPC on SPFS requirements including naming of layers, attribute categorization, data approval authority, etc.
- For the Next Gen application, work continues on iNAP and user authentication work. We are working on the mapping interface, user map tools, automated planning area, spatial inventory, FSPRO, and Relative Risk.
- Coordination and planning work continues with FEMS (Fire Environment Mapping System), FMSF (Fire Modeling Services Framework), IRWIN, RMA (Risk Management Assistance) and others

IFTDSS

- The IFTDSS application will be down from December 10 (1500 MST) thru December 16 (0800 MST) for the big move to the new hosting environment on AWS
- The development team is actively working with the FTEM Steering Committee to implement batch upload of FTEM monitoring data via an excel spreadsheet and will begin beta testing with users in December
- Work has begun to leverage IFTDSS Hazard products to assess a select set of USFS Shared Stewardship projects nationwide with Andy Mcevoy and Greg Dillon
- The IFTDSS team is helping Andi Thode at NAU incorporate IFTDSS in to fire ecology lessons
- The IFTDSS team is working with Heather Heward to incorporate IFTDSS in to Burn Boss classes being taught this fall/winter in the Great Basin