

WFDSS GAE April 2022 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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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Travis Neppel, SA	<input type="checkbox"/> Jon Wallace, SA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abie Carabjal, SW
<input type="checkbox"/> Calvin Farris, ON, OS, NW, GB	<input type="checkbox"/> Kevin Conn (non GAE)	<input type="checkbox"/> Allan Hepworth, SA
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<input type="checkbox"/> Mike Butteri, AK	<input type="checkbox"/> Chris Mursu, EA	<input type="checkbox"/> Chris Waverek, ON, OS
<input type="checkbox"/> Jeff Shelton, OCFA		<input type="checkbox"/> Kristen Allison, ON, OS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rocco Snart, CO		<input type="checkbox"/> Clint Cross, area None
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jonathan Olsen, RM (detail)
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amy Ham, NR
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Raechel Compton, NR/GB
		<input type="checkbox"/> Rick Stratton, area None

Note taker: Lindsay Rae Silvia Notes are posted [here](#)

Attachments: InFORM 2.0/IRWIN v7.1 change document

Reminders: Next data update due to your agency lead by June 1st. This will be the last update until the end of fire season.

Please notify the WFDSS team of any scheduled WFDSS Training sessions.

Agenda Items:

General- Morgan Pence

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

Emerging Issues- All Call Participants

AK- there is no VIIRS/MODIS in AK. RDA- We are currently working to switch to the new FIRMS service, tentative switch date is May 2nd, AK does have data in the new service. Unsure why the old service stopped, it is being decommissioned, need to move to new service regardless.

New GAE Welcome- Morgan and Rick

- Mark Williams, BLM UT
- Goodbye to Mark Cahur, USFS AK
- 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

- Scott Brewer is wrapping up his detail with the RDA this week. Vice-Ben Butler GIS role is [outreached for detail](#).
- Grant Gray from Okanogan-Wenatchee detailed on WFDSS data loads.
- Tami Parkinson is back to RD&A from her detail.

WFDSS Quick Tip – Rick

- Change in how de-active Unit IDs are displayed in Data Management and System Pref: they show with an asterisk at the bottom of the lists. This is a visual change only, inactive IDs still work the same as they always have.
- How to manage notifications as units change ID: Example shown for Helena/Lewis & Clark unit. If you were subscribed to the Helena and the Lewis and Clark as their separate units you will get notifications when Planning Areas intersect the SO/FMU shapes loaded for those separate units. When the Helena/Lewis & Clark submit new SO/FMUs for their combined unit those wishing to get the notifications for Planning Areas that intersect that shape will need to subscribe to the combined unit. Similar for units that experience a change in Unit ID. The notification only works

off the intersect of the SO/FMU shapes loaded. Users should update their notifications when SO/FMU shapes for a unit change to a new unit ID.

- Incident history now tracks Incident type and is valid/not valid; may be helpful in investigating incidents with issues relating to type and validity.

WFDSS O&M Status/Update – Morgan Pence

- [7.0](#) was released March 30th with little issue to remedy.
- 7.01 was released April 20th addressing a single item related to increasing vertices limit on shape upload.
- 7.1 Cleanup release scheduled for June 1st with content of this release centered on library update/refresh/removal and miscellaneous bug fixes
 - Effort to archive incident PDFs
- State and non-federal use of fire planning shapes in WFDSS
 - An area reached out wondering how states could participate in WFDSS spatial planning, We're open to do this but need to be organized and would need the state level GIS contact to submit data following data standards.
- We are currently loading the [Recent update to LANDFIRE elevation/slope/aspect data.](#)
- If you become aware of analysts supporting litigations, we should encourage appropriate use of Production and proper naming convention. Training runs get

AA Information/Coordination: Rick Mowery

- [Agency Administrator webinar recording](#) from March 30th is posted.

Geospatial Data – Morgan Pence

- Reminder our Data resources page is [here](#), with links to the data refresh schedule, and [FMU/SO shape update schedule](#)- next data update due to your agency lead by June 1st.

IRWIN Status – Morgan Pence

- InFORM 2.0/IRWIN v7.1 attachment shared

WFDSS Next Gen Update –Wes Hall

- Status of Next Gen – Implementing FSPRO for initial analysis in system. Currently in landscape phase setting up to interact.
 - Dylan Rader BLM requesting Next Gen presentation to next BLM Fire Planner call.

IFTDSS- Caroline Noble

- Recent [release](#) includes batch monitoring functionality in FTEM; improved data entry and query.

Round Robin:

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

- Alaska: Snowmelt soon, South Range & West. 1 decision thus far. WFDSS+ Refresher May 3. Request from Peter Butteri and Lisa Saperstein for AK VIIRS service to be made available within WFDSS.
- Eastern: Southern Tier forests average/below average. Northern Tier snowmelt anticipated soon for increased RX fire.
- Great Basin: Southern GB expected to become active soon. WFDSS Refresher this week and mid-May.
- NorCal: Light activity. WFDSS Trainings April 25 and May 3. Potential revision of GAE roles within ON.
- SoCal: None.
- Northern Rockies: WFDSS refresher planned end of May, TBD. IIA Help Desk ticket instances inconsistent with protocol.
- Northwest: Average. Ongoing WFDSS refreshers. (vice-Cahur for USFS AK) Ben Curtis, Katie Hetts, Ian Rickert to be added as contact to cover for R10 AK. Bobette current for AK; incoming GAE should be in place sometime May and Bobette will be covering that until they are up to speed.
- Rocky Mountain: Lower elevation indices critical, Southeast CO.
- Southwest: Significant fire behavior and early season. Ongoing WFDSS Refreshers. Secondary GAE TBD.
- Southern: Active season thus far. Decision support throughout Southern has helped and at a good place with analysts.

Next Call

- Thursday, July 21st 1300 Mountain Time.
- Monthly emails will come out the third week of the month for May and June.

Main WFMRD&A contacts for WFDSS related items:

- WFDSS Operations and Maintenance: Morgan Pence morgan.pence@usda.gov, Rick Mowery rick.mowery@usda.gov, Lindsay Rae Silvia lindsay.r.silvia@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, Rick Mowery 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, kim.ernstrom@nps.gov

- GAE call management: Morgan Pence 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

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

LANDFIRE Data Alerts: [LANDFIRE Program: Data Products - Alerts](#)