

WFDSS GAE July 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 type="checkbox"/> Rick Stratton, area None

Note taker: TBD Notes are posted [here](#)

Attachments: 2022 Redbook Errata

Reminders: August and Sept. correspondence is via email, next call month is October.

Agenda Items:

General- Morgan Pence

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

Emerging Issues- All Call Participants

- NFDRS version 4- question when WFDSS will adopt.
- Answer: [WFDSS Help | WFDSS & NFDRS Energy Release Component \(usgs.gov\)](#) WFDSS cannot adopt until we can integrate with FEMS and 20 years of ERC are calculated with new method.

New GAE Welcome- Morgan and Rick

- Goodbye to Katie Hetts (FS/BLM NW)
- Welcome Trevor Miller (FS/BLM NW)
- Welcome Johnathan Olson (FS NR) now permanent GAE
- 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

- Lindsay Silvia's detail has ended.
- RDA working to fill Vice Schueller Detail currently.
- Other current vacancies include: Vice Trevor Miller, Vice Ben Butler, Vice Andrew Bailey.

WFDSS Quick Tip – Rick & Morgan

- Short demo of USFS features as directed by WO relating to identification, notification, and tracking of decisions with resource benefit incident objectives.
- Comments and questions from FS and DOI regarding why this was implemented. RDA was directed to implement by FS WO to provide a means to track/monitor policy change regarding signing authority and to allow for tracking regardless of PL. See attached Redbook Errata
- Question: if there is a multi jurisdictional incident and a non FS unit has resource benefit obj. but the FS does not what does the FS approver select? Answer: if the FS does not have a resource benefit obj. then the FS approver selects they don't have a resource benefit obj. The FS approver is only answering for their agency, not others.
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WFDSS O&M Status/Update – Morgan Pence

- New PM transitioning in from FAMIM to manage Classic WFDSS and Next Gen, Matt Cifa
- [7.1.1](#) was released June 29th, added USFS features, adjusted VIIRs/MODIS symbology, updated topography of LF data.
- EROS outage last week results in two roughly 2- hour outages July 14th and 16th.
- Current effort is 7.2, which covers required upgrades to the Oracle Database and ArcSDE, and additional work toward archiving decisions and analyses for eventual retrieval through the Famweb data warehouse. Release is TBD, will not be until after the bulk of fire season is over.
- 7.3 will focus on 2 Factor Authentication, likely work will occur during the late fall/winter.
- Long term strategy for Classic WFDSS is to complete required upgrades and needed work to remain relevant so the system is viable until NextGen is ready for users.
- RDA is staffing WFDSS On Call support 7 days a week. We respond to Feedback, IIA Tickets, phone calls.

AA Information/Coordination: Tami Parkinson

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 Sept. 7th.
 - Currently loading Aquatic Retardant Avoidance and Agency Historical Perimeters to the lower environments. Next datasets to load will be: Building clusters (we are grouping into regional areas, WA & OR are first, followed by WY, CO, and ID), Landscan data, Fuel Treatments, USFS & USFWS Trails.

IRWIN Status – Morgan Pence

- IRWIN Version 8 draft plan is out. Of note includes “find a solution to integrate INFORM data with the other integrated applications” which would be valuable for WFDSS.
- Current release plan for 8.0 is March 17th, 2023.

WFDSS Next Gen Update –Sam Amato/Wes Hall/Erin Noonan-Wright

- Status of Next Gen and Short Demo
 - Questions about the values and RR. There will be more to the Values info/inputs than just the box that is associated with the RR like in current WFDSS. There is a lot more to be built- and please do keep feedback coming.
- Commo to users about Feedback through Classic WFDSS Group Email Feature.
 - Email will come out in the next day soliciting the feedback.

IFTDSS Update- Caroline Noble

Coming this Fall (dates to be determined):

- Increase in Maximum allowable landscape size to ~ 10 million acres (currently 3.5 million)
- User ability to change layer Symbology for Shapefiles in Map (colors, icons, etc.)

- Transition to E-Authentication access and Multi-Factor authentication (no more password resets)
 - IFTDSS will be sending correspondence describing the transition and any user action needed
 - Government user access will be via PIV card; Partner access will be via login.gov
 - What Users can do to prepare:
 - Government users ensure their IFTDSS profile contains their current email address (e.g. @usda.gov and not @fs.fed.us)
 - Partners will be asked to create a login.gov account when the time comes if they do not already have one
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- Note: IFTDSS now accesses LANDFIRE data via web services so when LANDFIRE goes down, IFTDSS continues to function normally but users cannot create new landscapes (splash banner will indicate)

Round Robin:

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

- Alaska: none
- Eastern: none
- Great Basin: none
- NorCal: NPS- Washburn burning under favorable conditions now, above marine layer indices are above 90%
- SoCal:
- Northern Rockies: none
- Northwest: slow, no updates
- Rocky Mountain: Amy- IA fires staying small, indices in northern half at or above 90th and drying, potential
- Southwest: they have some that are working on the final stages of a new forest plan, and likely can make the Sept 7th FMU/SO submission date
- Southern: Nothing to report for R8 other than we are experiencing summer fire season in areas, we are working on a risk assessment for the GACC currently, and depending on how the tropics shake out, we are looking at a busy late summer & fall season down here. Much uncertainty though with the hurricane season

Next Call

- Thursday, October 20th 1300 Mountain Time.
- Monthly emails will come out the third week of the month for Aug. and Sept.

Main WFMRD&A contacts for WFDSS related items:

- WFDSS Operations and Maintenance: Morgan Pence morgan.pence@usda.gov, Rick Mowery 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, 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](#)