

September 2022

Reminders and General Awareness:

- The RDA's Go-To-Meeting/Webinar licenses are being discontinued (sooner than we thought). We will need to use Teams for our October GAE call on 10/20. Invites will be sent soonish. Please be on the look-out for the Teams invite which will replace the Go-To Invite.

New GAE Welcome:

- No changes we know of- Please let Rick and Morgan know if your area or agency has changes to the WFDSS GAEs.

RDA Staffing:

- RDA has 3 vacancies that close today: 9/11 <https://www.usajobs.gov/job/675809500> and two 12/13 <https://www.usajobs.gov/job/675810500> These are the Vice Trevor Miller, Vice Brianna Schuller, and Vice Caroline Noble (she is retiring soon).
- An offer on the Vice Andrew Bailey was made recently
- Vice Ben Butler is not open yet- hopefully soon

Classic WFDSS Updates:

- Devs are supporting active fires by monitoring WFDSS and ensuring the system is operating fully.
- Release 7.2: Devs are working on upgrading our Oracle database, ArcGIS, archiving analysis/decision in FamWeb, and numerous other fixes and adjustments to help the system run smoother. The release date for this work to be live is not set yet but likely not until late November given the active fire support needed still and the time it takes for the oracle upgrades for Training and Prod.
- Release 7.3 will primarily focus on FamAuth and will occur over the winter/early spring

Data:

- We are working on the September submissions for FMU/SO shapes. The next chance to update your shapes is in November. Data is due to your agency lead November 2nd, and will be available in WFDSS 12/7. We do not yet have the 2023 schedule, but it will likely be similar to 2022, with 3-4 chances to update this coming spring. Here is the 2022 schedule [FMU_Update_Schedule.pdf \(nwcg.gov\)](#)
- On 8/24 we emailed the GAEs with a change in how we intend to manage the Building Cluster data, please refer to that email for the specifics. In short the Building Cluster layer made up of county cadastral data that has existed in WFDSS for some time will remain in WFDSS, though will not be updated by the RDA at this time. A new layer, called MS Building Centroids using the Microsoft Building Footprint data as its source will be added to WFDSS with the 7.2 release and will be populated over time with data for the U.S.
- Recent data loads: Agency Historic Fire Perimeters and Fuels Treatments
- We will working to update to ArcGIS 10.8 in the coming weeks.

IRWIN

- Not much to report- IRWIN V8 Business Plan is available.
- We intend to connect WFDSS Training to the IRWIN Test environment in the 7.2 release later this fall. This will allow users to practice/utilize incidents created from other systems connected to IRWIN Test without having to recreate them in WFDSS Training, which mimics

how it works on WFDSS Production. To be clear we are not eliminating the ability to create incidents directly in Training.

Next Gen Updates:

- For everyone who is interested please remember to sign up for the user groups so that you get the invites for the live demos, and if you can't make a live session you can watch a recording and provide feedback.
 - <https://famid.nwcg.gov/node/2664>
- Current work is on Spatial Inventory (Previously known as Values Inventories, User Profiles, System Preferences, Landscape, and as always work continues on the map.

IFTDSS Updates:

- Maximum allowable landscape size increased from 3.5 to 12 million acres
- IFTDSS will resample as needed automatically based on model selected and landscape size
- October 12 transition date to Multi-Factor authentication
 - 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