

## February 2023

### Reminders and General Awareness:

- Current and past GAE Quarterly and monthly notes can be found on the [GA Editor Resources](#) page.
- Annual refresher webinar on WFDSS and other fire management topics for agency administrators will be held via TEAMS on March 29, 2023 12-2pm (Mountain Time). This session serves as a WFDSS refresher for agency administrator certification/qualification requirements. Registration is required for this webinar. Please registrar using the following link: [Microsoft Teams Webinar attendee registration](#)
- Send us (Morgan Pence or TJ Boyer) your units WFDSS Training dates as you become aware of them. We will add them to the [GAE & Training Calendar](#)
- Our next call is Thursday, April 20th 1300 Mountain Time

### New GAE Welcome:

- Welcome Erin Noonan USFS NR.

### RDA Staffing:

- Vice Tami Parkinson and Reggie Goolsby details are in motion and waiting to be advertised.

### Classic WFDSS Updates:

- Continuing upgrading the Oracle database.
- Once Oracle work is completed, we will be working to connect WFDSS to FamAuth, which will require users to login with their Linc cards or a Login.gov account.
- WFDSS Business has met with Lauren Miller, GIS representative with Enterprise program, and are assessing if we can create a new static layer to WFDSS that will show a snap shot of the PODS data later this spring. More info to come.
- WFDSS cannot read the new Y values from WIMS because FSPro needs 20 years of historical values- which maybe be provided by FEMS later this spring, meanwhile WFDSS still need to produce G, likely for the entire 2023 fire season as they will likely not be time to connect to FEMS and thoroughly test prior to active fire season.
- WFDSS will not show stations in the drop down lists for selection in the fire behavior models if a station has not reported their daily Obs (1300 or 1200 whichever is the daily hour for that station) for 3 or more days to WIMS. What this means is analysts that are modeling in areas with stations that don't have 1300 or 1200 obs for greater than 3 days will not see these stations to choose from when selecting a station in some parts of the state, forcing users to select from stations that are far away and likely not representative of an incident's weather. We (WFDSS team) aren't sure how we might be able to assist with this apart from communicating with you all and analysts why these stations are not useable in WFDSS. We reached out to a few of you including the station owner for these stations and know you were already aware of the issue and were looking into it. Please keep us in the loop on progress you have toward trouble shooting why WIMS isn't showing the 1300 or 1200 Obs so we can communicate with users that reach out to us.

### Data Updates:

- Continuing Data refresh in WFDSS Classic.
- Continuing troubleshooting FTEM model on the production FME server.

- Incorporate Editing Service and Public Service to delineate PODS before fire season.
- The data team is working to determine if an authoritative source exists that represents the recently listed Whitebark Pine for possible inclusion in the critical habitat layer.

#### **IRWIN Updates:**

- IRWIN V8 is scheduled to be released on March 15<sup>th</sup>. V7.1 Production will be disabled March 14<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> 2300 – 0300 MDT. Minimal impact expected for WFDSS.

#### **NextGen WFDSS Updates:**

- The development team is nearly done with Spatial Inventory (previously called Values Inventory)
- Work is underway to incorporate update to the PMS 236 (CIMT) into the Organization Assessment
- Work is beginning on the ERC classes and streams for FSPro.
- NextGen continues to work on FAMAuth & iNAP integration to make the application accessible to users to test (not for production use) by April/May 2023. Once this integration is done the user group will be able to give feedback and test the system directly in the User Acceptance Testing Environment (UAT). In order to provide feedback to the NextGen team and make the application better for all users please sign up and participate in the NextGen User Group and feedback sessions ([NextGen User Groups | Wildland Fire Application Information Portal \(nwcg.gov\)](#)).
- The Next user group will be on Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11 AM MTN and review: requesting analyses, statusing analyses, and analysis actions.

#### **IFTDSS Updates:**

- Kim Ernstrom has been supporting RT-300 in the southwest and other regions and a recording of her presentation is available for those who are interested.
- IFTDSS was taught as part of the Fuels Academy in Tallahassee Florida to look at developing treatment alternatives – Thank you Caroline!
- IFTDSS will be adding more spatial analysis functionality including bookmarks in the near future.
- The IFTDSS team remains committed to developing tools that the fuels community needs, please don't hesitate to contact us with feedback and suggestions.

#### **FMSF Updates:**

- Starting initial stories for FMSF V2
- Starting on metadata work
- Changing landscape limits in FSPro