

## November 2023

### Reminders and General Awareness:

- One of the changes that is rolling out with the 8.2 release for FamAuth transition is that non-fed users are no longer needing to show proof of security training to a federal GAE to gain access to the system. However, non-fed users with privileged accounts (Non-fed GAEs) will need to show proof of security training.
- WFDSS does not use INAP as a login method and therefore a INAP account is not required.
- Please continue to make sure that you and everyone who needs access to WFDSS have their information current in the application especially their email address. This is important for the transition to FAMAuth.

### New GAE Welcome:

- Welcome to Rebecca Hird, BLM RM and Maija Corliss, FWS NW

### RDA Staffing:

- Welcome Beth Buchanan. She comes to WFMRDA from USFS Region 8, where she had been the Regional Fire Ecologist. She will be working with both the IFTDSS/FTEM team in the WFMRDA and Wildfire-Treatment Outcomes Research teams as the Fuels Treatment Effectiveness Monitoring (FTEM) application Liaison.
- Henry Bastian joins us on a 120-day detail as lead for Wildland Fire Management RD&A
- Alison Mims has accepted position as a Public Affairs Specialist for Region 6 in their Office of Communication and Community Engagement.

### Classic WFDSS Updates:

- We are on track for the release of 8.2 which is the integration to FAMAuth. The anticipated release date will be 11/29.
- We have sent out a message to all WFDSS classic users earlier this month from the application which informed users of this release and in the message it included a link to a [WFDSS FamAuth Migration FAQ](#) on any questions users may have.
- Our dev team is wrapping up the FAMAuth work and are moving on to IRWIN v9 integration work.

### Geospatial Data Updates:

- Work continues for the 2022 Interagency Wildfire Perimeter History update and anticipate wrapping up next fire season. Agencies that recognize WFIGS as an Authoritative source (NPS, BIA, BLM) can retrieve data from [WFIGS - Wildland Fire Perimeters Full History](#). Other agency perimeter data will be derived from agency Authoritative services.
- FMU/Strategic Objective Shapes submissions date to Agency leads has passed and that was the last update for 2023. The data team is working on the 2024 FMU schedule. Once available we will let everyone know. It's probably going to mimic similar to what this year schedule was.

### IRWIN Updates:

- Continuing scheduled system maintenance.

### NextGen WFDSS Updates:

- Continue integration testing work for IRWIN meeting coming up in January.

- FSPRO work continue to be on track.
- Tech Transfer topics and work continues.

**IFTDSS Updates:**

- LANDFIRE 2022 data is now available CONUS wide!!!
- The Development team is working on building the ability to upload custom landscapes into IFTDSS. We are also working on adding spotting metrics to model outputs. We expect these additions to be available to users in the spring of 2024.
- IFTDSS has had several requests to participate in burn boss refreshers and other workshops. The team is building a schedule to try and meet those needs. Otherwise, online materials are available to support burn bosses and fuel specialists.
- Online Burn Planning and general IFTDSS Webinars: [https://iftdss.firenet.gov/landing\\_page/webinars.html](https://iftdss.firenet.gov/landing_page/webinars.html)
- On demand Online Classes for Burn Planning and IFTDSS overview are available on the Wildfire Learning Portal: <https://wildlandfirelearningportal.net/>