

DATE: Wednesday, July 9, 2025

Thursday, July 10, 2025

TIME: 1330 - 1700 Wednesday

0830 - 1430 Thursday

LOCATION: Arcadia, California

CALL TO ORDER

A FIRESCOPE Board of Director's meeting was held on Wednesday, July 9, 2025 and Thursday, July 10, 2025, at U.S. Forest Service – Angeles National Forest Headquarters. The meeting began at 1330 hours on July 9, 2025, and 0830 on July 10, 2025. It was presided by the Board Chair, Chief Brian Fennessy.

ATTENDEES

Voting members in attendance included:

Brian Fennessy, Chair, Orange County Fire Authority

Dustin Gardner, Vice-Chair, Ventura County Fire Department

Brian Marshall, Executive Coordinator, Fire and Rescue, Cal OES

Ronnie Villanueva, Los Angeles Fire Department

Alex Silva, Volunteer Fire Departments South

Nate Gogna, U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs

Jaime Gamboa, USDA Forest Service

Daniel Berlant, State Fire Marshal

Jeff Meston, California Fire Chiefs' Association

Eddie Sell, California State Firefighters' Association

Mark Hartwig, Santa Barbara County Fire Department

John Goss, National Park Service

Charlie Norman, Counties South

Ryan Aeby, US Fish & Wildlife Service

Peter Kelly, BLM

Pat Russell, Small/Medium Cities South

Chris Costamagna, Large Cities North

Brian Rice, California Professional Firefighters

Eric Walder, Fire Districts North

Suwanna Kerdkaew, Counties North

Dan Munsey, Fire Districts South

Jeff Gilbert, Volunteer Fire Departments North

Anthony Marrone, Los Angeles Co. Fire Department

Members not in attendance included:

Joe Tyler, CAL FIRE Aaron Duncan, Kern County Fire Department Mark Lorenzen, Small/Medium Cities North Robert Logan, Large Cities South

Partner Agencies in attendance:

Kim Zagaris, Western Fire Chiefs Mark Loeffelbein, National Weather Service Erik Litzenberg, International Association of Fire Chiefs Eriks Gabliks, USFA/National Fire Academy Mario Rueda, National Fire Protection Association

Guests in attendance included:

Jon O'Brien, Los Angeles County Fire Department – Ops Team Chair Chad Cook, Ventura County Fire Department – Ops Team Vice - Chair Jason Serrano, San Bernardino County Fire - Task Force Chair Matt Brown, Santa Clara County Fire - Task Force Vice-Chair Jim Johnstone, FIRESCOPE, Cal OES Cathy Johnson, FIRESCOPE, Cal OES Yesenia Serafin, FIRESCOPE, Cal OES Shelley Dorsey, FIRESCOPE, Cal OES Lori Lopez, Cal OES Sara Puricelli, Cal OES, Legal Anale Burlew representing, CAL FIRE Bill Steers representing, Kern County Fire Department

Call to Order Day 1 Fennessy/Marshall/Gamboa

- a. Flag Salute
- b. Welcome
- c. Electronic Voting Tool Roll Call/Determine Quorum
- d. Posting of the Agenda
- e. Meeting Information

Public Comment: Items on the July 9, 2025 Agenda **Public Comment**

Approval of April 2025 Meeting Minutes*

Fennessy Motion: Meston

Second: Norman Approved

Do you approve the April 2025 FIRESCOPE Board meeting minutes?

Daniel Berlant	Yes
Chris Costamagna	Yes
Brian Fennessy	Yes
Jaime Gamboa	Yes
Dustin Gardner	Yes
Jeffery Gilbert	Yes
Mark Hartwig	Yes
Peter Kelly	Yes
Brian Marshall	Yes
Jeff Meston	Yes
Dan Munsey	Yes
Charlie Norman	Yes
Pat Russell	Yes
Alex Silva	Yes
Ronnie Villanueva	Yes
Eric Walder	Yes
	Chris Costamagna Brian Fennessy Jaime Gamboa Dustin Gardner Jeffery Gilbert Mark Hartwig Peter Kelly Brian Marshall Jeff Meston Dan Munsey Charlie Norman Pat Russell Alex Silva Ronnie Villanueva

Cal OES Director's Update

Marshall

- The budget passed. No significant cuts.
- A lot being done on the response side and the huge recovery in Southern California.
- Working with FEMA and other agencies to continue to operate the cleanup.
- Grants are still up in the air.

Cal OES Fire and Rescue Update

Marshall

- Busy with wildfires across the state.
- Large incident at the firework factory in Esparto California.
- Working on getting mission ready packages into IROC and partnering with CAL FIRE, technical rescue and special operations staff to complete this.
- Working on making ordering resources easier.
- Discussed events happening in Texas and Mexico.
- Discussed hosting future BoD meetings and possibly purchasing A/V equipment for those meetings.
- Working on getting the MACS Center in Riverside set up.
- Email went out from Chief Marshall regarding the new 2025 CICCS guidelines. Let him know if you didn't receive it.
- Went over CFAA numbers.
- Continue to implement LG/OES prepositions. Went over prepositions for fiscal year 2024/2025.
- FAST App overview.
- Review of Timeline of Events including the Super Bowl in February 2025.

CAL FIRE Update

Burlew

- Budget remains whole for the next fiscal year.
- Added additional budget allocations for helicopter prepositions throughout the state.
- Language in the budget about transitioning some resources to more of a year-round staffing model. Discussions ongoing.
- Starting year two of the 66-hour work week implementation. Will be adding more firefighters.
- Discussed fuel reduction and prescribed fire. Hit all of their goals.
- Update on fires going on in the state.
- Sent out resources to Oregon yesterday.

State Fire Marshal/State Fire Training Update

Berlant

- Uptick in high profile incidents related to fireworks causing home explosions.
- Many large seizures of fireworks from multiple departments. Working to facilitate the disposal of them.
- Link on the website to use the submission form for firework pick up.
- State's largest illegal firework seizure was in LA County. 500,000 pounds.
- A few weeks ago, wildfire prevention grants solicitation opened up. \$5,000,000 available. Applications are open through August 5, 2025.
- Hosting upcoming battery energy storage system fire safety symposium on July 24, 2025.
- Discussed the budget.
- Update on building code changes.

United States Forest Service Update

Gamboa

- Currently have more incident management teams across the region. One in the south and three in the north.
- Continuing to bring resources in region as well as supporting fires outside the region in the Great Basin, southwest and northwest Alaska. Also, resources in Canada.
- In June, GACC in Southern California went to 24-hour staffing. Moving resources at night.
- Continuing to work with the national office to bring in additional aircraft.
- Discussed the prescribed burning program.
- Discussed the big, beautiful bill.

U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs Update

Gogna

- Supporting the tribes as best as they can.
- Staffing issues.
- Discussed hotshot crews.

U.S. Bureau of Land Management Update

Kelly

- No changes to the budget.
- Fuels update.
- More engine staff this year.
- Discussed helicopter staffing. Approved for national severity.
- National leadership is taking the presidential executive order very seriously.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services Update

Aeby

- Very successful spring regarding fuels treatment. Well above average.
- Zones are being fully staffed.
- Moving engines and resources around.
- Several international trips, staff in Alaska and in the southwest.
- Slower than normal wildfire season, so far.
- Incoming Regional Fire Management Coordinator, Jebediah Koons.

National Park Service

Goss

- Discussed the budget. Five Bureaus are still waiting for the 2025 numbers.
- Expecting an increase in preparedness dollars and a decrease in fuels dollars.
- Using bill funds to get mechanical fuel treatments done.
- Two chief vacancies in California.
- For positions outside the fire program, the hiring freeze will continue until mid-October.
- Done with prescribed fire for the summer. Will continue some mechanical treatments.
- Bit of a pause as far as the internal DOI consolidation.

FIRIS Program Update

Presentation given by Marshall/Lopez/Long

U.S. EPA – Review of January LA Fire Hazmat Response and Recovery Effort

Presentation given by Myers/Rezende

Public Comment on Items not on the July 9, 2025 Agenda Public Comment

Recess until 8:30 a.m. on July 10, 2025

Meeting adjourned on day 1 at 1651

- a. Flag Salute
- b. Welcome
- c. Roll Call/Determine Quorum
- d. Meeting Information

Public Comment: Items on the July 10, 2025 Agenda

Public Comment

Ops Team / Task Force Report

Report presented by O'Brien/Serrano

- o *Ops Team/Task Force Report
 - ➤ The Ops Team & Task Force continue to support the subcommittees and specialist groups on the work they are completing in 2025.
- *Urban Conflagration Training Position Paper Referred to STEAC
 - ➤ The FIRESCOPE Task Force is presenting this paper to the State Training and Education Advisory Committee (STEAC) as a position paper to advocate for the incorporation of urban conflagration training into existing incident command curriculum for veteran and entry-level firefighters.
 - *FIRESCOPE Quarterly Brief

Motion: Walder

Second: Costamagna

Approved

Do you approve the FIRESCOPE Quarterly Brief?

1. 7/10/2025 8:44	Ryan Aeby	Yes
2. 7/10/2025 8:45	Daniel Berlant	Yes
3. 7/10/2025 8:43	Chris Costamagna	Yes
4. 7/10/2025 8:45	Brian Fennessy	Yes
5. 7/10/2025 8:45	Jaime Gamboa	Yes
6. 7/10/2025 8:45	Dustin Gardner	Yes
7. 7/10/2025 8:45	Jeffery Gilbert	Yes
8. 7/10/2025 8:45	Suwanna Kerdkaew	/ Yes
9. 7/10/2025 8:45	Brian Marshall	Yes
10. 7/10/2025 8:45	Jeff Meston	Yes
11. 7/10/2025 8:45	Dan Munsey	Yes
12. 7/10/2025 8:45	Pat Russell	Yes
13. 7/10/2025 8:45	Alex Silva	Yes
14. 7/10/2025 8:45	Eric Walder	Yes

*Indexing Unique Shaped Structures White Paper

Motion: Gardner Second: Stornetta

Approved

Do you approve the Indexing Unique Shaped Structures Whitepaper?

1. 7/10/2025 8:47	Ryan Aeby	Yes
2. 7/10/2025 8:47	Daniel Berlant	Yes
3. 7/10/2025 8:46	Chris Costamagna	Yes
4. 7/10/2025 8:47	Brian Fennessy	Yes
5. 7/10/2025 8:47	Jaime Gamboa	Yes
6. 7/10/2025 8:47	Dustin Gardner	Yes
7. 7/10/2025 8:47	Jeffery Gilbert	Yes
8. 7/10/2025 8:48	Mark Hartwig	Yes
9. 7/10/2025 8:47	Suwanna Kerdkaew	Yes
10. 7/10/2025 8:47	Brian Marshall	Yes
11. 7/10/2025 8:47	Jeff Meston	Yes
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 *Adding Structure Fire Chapter into the FIRESCOPE Field Operations Guide White Paper

Motion: Munsey Second: Walder

Approved

Do you approve adding Structure Fire Chapter into the FIRESCOPE Field Operations Guide Whitepaper?

1. 7/10/2025 8:49	Ryan Aeby	Yes
2. 7/10/2025 8:49	Daniel Berlant	Yes
3. 7/10/2025 8:49	Chris Costamagna	Yes
4. 7/10/2025 8:49	Brian Fennessy	Yes
5. 7/10/2025 8:49	Jaime Gamboa	Yes
6. 7/10/2025 8:49	Dustin Gardner	Yes
7. 7/10/2025 8:49	Jeffery Gilbert	Yes
8. 7/10/2025 8:49	Mark Hartwig	Yes
9. 7/10/2025 8:49	Suwanna Kerdkaew	Yes
10. 7/10/2025 8:49	Dan Munsey	Yes
11. 7/10/2025 8:49	Charlie Norman	Yes
12. 7/10/2025 8:49	Pat Russell	Yes

13. 7/10/2025 8:49	Alex Silva	Yes
14. 7/10/2025 8:49	Eric Walder	Yes

*UAS Incursions White Paper

Motion: Norman Second: Hartwig

Approved

Do you approve the UAS Incursions Whitepaper?

Ryan Aeby	Yes
Daniel Berlant	Yes
Chris Costamagna	Yes
Brian Fennessy	Yes
Jaime Gamboa	Yes
Dustin Gardner	Yes
Jeffery Gilbert	Yes
Mark Hartwig	Yes
Suwanna Kerdkaew	/ Yes
Brian Marshall	Yes
Jeff Meston	Yes
Dan Munsey	Yes
Pat Russell	Yes
Alex Silva	Yes
Eric Walder	Yes
	Daniel Berlant Chris Costamagna Brian Fennessy Jaime Gamboa Dustin Gardner Jeffery Gilbert Mark Hartwig Suwanna Kerdkaew Brian Marshall Jeff Meston Dan Munsey Pat Russell Alex Silva

*ICS 208HM (HazMat Site Safety & Control Plan)

Motion: Munsey Second: Hartwig

Approved

Do you approve the ICS 208HM (HazMat Site Safety & Control Plan)?

1.	7/10/202	25 8:53	Ryan Aeby	Yes
2.	7/10/202	25 8:53	Daniel Berlant	Yes
3.	7/10/202	25 8:53	Chris Costamagna	Yes
4.	7/10/202	25 8:53	Brian Fennessy	Yes
5.	7/10/202	25 8:53	Jaime Gamboa	Yes
6.	7/10/202	25 8:53	Dustin Gardner	Yes
7.	7/10/202	25 8:53	Jeffery Gilbert	Yes
8.	7/10/202	25 8:53	Mark Hartwig	Yes
9.	7/10/202	25 8:53	Suwanna Kerdkaew	Yes
10), 7/10/20	25 8:53	Brian Marshall	Yes

11. 7/10/2025 8:53	Jeff Meston	Yes
12. 7/10/2025 8:53	Dan Munsey	Yes
13. 7/10/2025 8:53	Charlie Norman	Yes
14. 7/10/2025 8:53	Pat Russell	Yes
15. 7/10/2025 8:53	Alex Silva	Yes
16. 7/10/2025 8:53	Eric Walder	Yes

*ICS 802 Night Helicopter Coordinator (HLCO)

Motion: Gardner Second: Marrone

Approved w/edits to SCOPE Section, page 1 & course introduction

hours.

Do you approve the ICS 802 Night Helicopter Coordinator (HLCO)?

1. 7/10/2025 9:03	Ryan Aeby	Yes
2. 7/10/2025 9:03	Daniel Berlant	Yes
3. 7/10/2025 9:03	Chris Costamagna	Yes
4. 7/10/2025 9:03	Brian Fennessy	Yes
5. 7/10/2025 9:03	Jaime Gamboa	Yes
6. 7/10/2025 9:03	Dustin Gardner	Yes
7. 7/10/2025 9:03	Jeffery Gilbert	Yes
8. 7/10/2025 9:03	Mark Hartwig	Yes
9. 7/10/2025 9:03	Suwanna Kerdkaev	v Yes
10. 7/10/2025 9:03	Brian Marshall	Yes
11. 7/10/2025 9:03	Jeff Meston	Yes
12. 7/10/2025 9:03	Dan Munsey	Yes
13. 7/10/2025 9:03	Charlie Norman	Yes
14. 7/10/2025 9:06	Brian Rice	Yes
15. 7/10/2025 9:03	Pat Russell	Yes
16. 7/10/2025 9:03	Alex Silva	Yes
17. 7/10/2025 9:03	Eric Walder	Yes

^{*}ICS 910 Firefighter Incident Safety & Accountability Guidelines (Update/Revision)

Motion: Hartwig Second: Inaudible

Approved with the removal of the work Freelancing replaced with

Uncoordinated Independent Action.

Do you approve the ICS 910 Firefighter Incident Safety & Accountability Guidelines (update/revision)?

1. 7/10/2025 13:11	Ryan Aeby	Yes
2. 7/10/2025 13:12	Daniel Berlant	Yes
3. 7/10/2025 13:11	Brian Fennessy	Yes
4. 7/10/2025 13:12	Jeffery Gilbert	Yes
5. 7/10/2025 13:12	Mark Hartwig	Yes
6 7/10/2025 13:12	Suwanna Kerdkaew	Yes
7 7/10/2025 13:11	Brian Marshall	Yes
8. 7/10/2025 13:11	Jeff Meston	Yes
9. 7/10/2025 13:12	Dan Munsey	Yes
10. 7/10/2025 13:11	Charlie Norman	Yes
11. 7/10/2025 9:10	Brian Rice	Yes
12. 7/10/2025 13:12	Pat Russell	Yes
13. 7/10/2025 13:11	Alex Silva	Yes
14. 7/10/2025 13:12	2 Eric Walder	Yes

*Community Risk Reduction/Fire Prevention Subcommittee Charter

 Motion: Berlant Second: Russell Approved

Do you approve the Community Risk Reduction/Fire Prevention Subcommittee Charter?

1. 7/10/2025 9:11	Ryan Aeby	Yes
2. 7/10/2025 9:12	Daniel Berlant	Yes
3. 7/10/2025 9:11	Chris Costamagna	Yes
4. 7/10/2025 9:12	Brian Fennessy	Yes
5. 7/10/2025 9:12	Jaime Gamboa	Yes
6. 7/10/2025 9:12	Jeffery Gilbert	Yes
7. 7/10/2025 9:12	Mark Hartwig	Yes
8. 7/10/2025 9:12	Suwanna Kerdkaew	Yes
9. 7/10/2025 9:11	Brian Marshall	Yes
10. 7/10/2025 9:12	Jeff Meston	Yes
11. 7/10/2025 9:12	Dan Munsey	Yes
12. 7/10/2025 9:12	Charlie Norman	Yes
13. 7/10/2025 9:12	Brian Rice	Yes
14. 7/10/2025 9:12	Pat Russell	Yes
15. 7/10/2025 9:11	Alex Silva	Yes
16. 7/10/2025 9:12	Eric Walder	Yes

*ICS 400-2 Document and Forms Description (Update)

Motion: Costamagna Second: Kerdkaew

Approved

Do you approve the ICS 400-2 Document and Forms Description (update)?

1. 7/10/2025 9:13	Ryan Aeby	Yes
2. 7/10/2025 9:13	Daniel Berlant	Yes
3. 7/10/2025 9:13	Chris Costamagna	Yes
4. 7/10/2025 9:13	Brian Fennessy	Yes
5. 7/10/2025 9:13	Jaime Gamboa	Yes
6. 7/10/2025 9:13	Dustin Gardner	Yes
7. 7/10/2025 9:13	Jeffery Gilbert	Yes
8. 7/10/2025 9:13	Mark Hartwig	Yes
9. 7/10/2025 9:13	Suwanna Kerdkaew	/ Yes
10. 7/10/2025 9:13	Brian Marshall	Yes
11. 7/10/2025 9:13	Jeff Meston	Yes
12. 7/10/2025 9:14	Dan Munsey	Yes
13. 7/10/2025 9:13	Charlie Norman	Yes
14. 7/10/2025 9:13	Brian Rice	Yes
15. 7/10/2025 9:13	Pat Russell	Yes
16. 7/10/2025 9:13	Alex Silva	Yes
17. 7/10/2025 9:13	Eric Walder	Yes

*Revision and Update of WUI Structure Defense Document White Paper

Motion: Norman Second: Munsey

Approved

Do you approve the revision and update of the WUI Structure Defense Document Whitepaper?

1. 7/10/2025 9:15	Ryan Aeby	Yes
2. 7/10/2025 9:15	Daniel Berlant	Yes
3. 7/10/2025 9:15	Chris Costamagna	Yes
4. 7/10/2025 9:15	Brian Fennessy	Yes
5. 7/10/2025 9:15	Jaime Gamboa	Yes
6. 7/10/2025 9:15	Dustin Gardner	Yes
7. 7/10/2025 9:16	Jeffery Gilbert	Yes
8. 7/10/2025 9:15	Mark Hartwig	Yes
9. 7/10/2025 9:15	Suwanna Kerdkaew	Yes
10. 7/10/2025 9:15	Brian Marshall	Yes
11. 7/10/2025 9:15	Jeff Meston	Yes

12. 7/10/2025 9:15	Dan Munsey	Yes
13. 7/10/2025 9:16	Charlie Norman	Yes
14. 7/10/2025 9:15	Brian Rice	Yes
15. 7/10/2025 9:15	Pat Russell	Yes
16. 7/10/2025 9:15	Alex silva	Yes
17. 7/10/2025 9:15	Eric Walder	Yes

EMS Update Thompson

- At the last EMS Commission meeting in June, voted on AB 40 emergency regulations.
- Over 200 agencies from the fire service commented on the regulations.
- A rewrite was done, and another draft was created. Still work to be done.
- Regulations will be in place in 6 to 18 months. Then there will be an opportunity to comment again.
- At the EMS Commission meeting there was a discussion on disciplinary regulations.
- Gave a presentation of disaster preparedness.
- Cal EMSA is not following the regulations or integrating the incident command system into their deployment with private resources.
- RFPs throughout the state, won some and lost some. San Bernardino won in federal court. Waiting to see if the state court recognizes the federal court ruling.
- Alameda County's Board of Supervisors have been out to RFP, and it's been a long process. Originally awarded to AMR and they rejected that contract.
- Discussed ECNS versus Nurse Navigator.
- Update on Chapter One.

CFAA Update

Lopez/Dicks/CFAA Committee

- Discussed Special Operations standardization.
- Had several meetings. Next meeting in August.
- Extended the agreement. Currently in a second extension. Extension until October 2026.
- New rate letter is out. Effective May 1st. Most rates have increased.
- Committee completed three weeks of training throughout the state. Very successful. Lots of engagement. Approximately 500 attendees.
- Putting together a training YouTube video.

CWCG Update

CWCG Committee

- Ten teams with 75 that are rostered through the CWCG this year.
- Struggling to fill all of those positions.

Partner Agency Updates

U.S. Fire Administration

Bidaburu

- No report
- National Fire Academy

Gabliks

- Reopened and moving forward.
- Resumed in person classes in less than 21 days.

- Everything is up and running on campus.
- Classes are full, students are being rescheduled, classes are being added.
- Off campus classes that were impacted are being rescheduled.
- Around 300 classes were affected.
- About 20 different classes are coming up with some seats available.
- The REAL ID Act is being enforced on campus. Only REAL IDs or passports will be accepted.
- New train the trainer class hosted by NWCG. Two rounds of classes scheduled after October 1st.
- Working with NWCG to update the online classes. Most popular are S130 and S190. Hands on portion to be completed locally.
- Partnerships with CAL FIRE and USFS on Wildfire Investigations classes that opened up to our partners in the FI 210 and FI 310 area.
- NERIS continues to move far and wide. Agencies are being added every day.
- Tentative date of October 7th for a Fire Administrator Summit.
- o EFO Symposium, October 10 and 11.
- Continue to support AHIMT efforts across the country, especially related to the FIFA World Cup.
- No name announced for the next US Fire Administrator. Chief Black continues to serve as the acting fire administrator.
- Superintendent Gabliks, still filling in as the acting deputy.

National Wildfire Coordinating Group

Litzenberg

- Working primarily with a work group on the S320, which is the basic level IMD course. Great feedback. Certification for that course is about to be completed.
- Moving into the intermediate design, which will essentially be a repurposing of what has been the S420. Look for Alpha in December. Beta in March or April.
- IMT curriculum series, S320, S420, and S520.
- o IPTM update.
- Reorganizing NWCG as a whole.
- Approaching the 50th anniversary of NWCG.
- Put a proposal in place with the Executive Board and staff.
- There will always be a place for people who want to do good work on the committee. Contact Chief Litzenberg or Chief Bidaburu.

National Oceanic & Atmospheric Agency

Loeffelbein

- Incident meteorologists are continuing to support wildfires in California, with three incident management teams.
- Travel restrictions are not affecting wildland support. Emergency travel Is allowed.
- Monday, the National Weather Service was given exemption from their previous hiring freeze. Beginning to fill some of the vacant positions.

- Request for feedback on the format of their red flag warnings from the National Weather Service.
- Making some changes to them so that they are consistent from office to office.
- The fire weather testbed completed a 101-page evaluation in June 2024.
- The evaluation was to test new technology with the National Weather Service's integrated warning teams' concept which has been used for 20 years.
- The full report is available online.
- National Fire Protection Agency No report

Rueda

International Association of Fire Chiefs

Litzenberg

- Fire Rescue International Conference is August 13-15 in Orlando, FL. Still time to sign up and plan travel.
- VCA Symposium, November 13-16 in Clearwater, FL.
- o Technology Summit International, December 9-11 in Irving TX.
- WUI Conference is at the Peppermill in Reno, March 24-26. Be on the lookout if you are interested in putting something together for the agenda.
- Discussed their fire department exchange. Next one is in October in Flagstaff, AZ. If interested, all of your expenses are paid if you are selected. Link on website. Due date is July 14th.
- Wildfire Wednesdays live stream started yesterday. Shows every two weeks at 11:00 am Pacific Time. One hour show. Live stream is on YouTube, Facebook and LinkedIn. Podcast is on YouTube, iTunes and Spotify.
- Western Fire Chiefs Association

Zararis

- Bob Roper has been serving as the executive director for the Western Fire Chiefs. No longer in that position as of July 1.
- New leadership is in place. Mark Niemeyer
- o Continue to work with the Gordan and Betty Moore Foundation.
- Continuing to do work on the NASA Wildfire Division grant. Working to expand that grant.
- Working with the Vision FirstNet Users Summit in Indianapolis on September 11-15
- IGNITE Symposium in Las Vegas on March 12-13, 2026. Red Rock hotel and casino.
- Working on some reimbursement issues.
- Continue to watch EMAC.

Board of Directors Advisory Team Reports

Mutual Aid Coordination Team (MACT) Report

Walder

- Met last week.
- o A lot of initial attack throughout all the regions.
- o New Region VI coordinator, Chief Mitchell out of Region VI CAL FIRE.
- Working to get the FAST app down to the lowest possible agency.
- o This fire season, using Google Docs with the FAST app.
- o Group has been opening up the communication lines between the regions

- Fire Resource Ordering Process Workgroup Update
- Jackie Williams/Lori Lopez

- o Ending phase 1.
- Presented the Phase 1 Elements Summary.
- Presentation to be emailed out to the BoD.
- Mobilizing and assigning resources for a specific time-period was moved to phase 2.
- Discussed the current ordering process.
- Sent out a survey regarding issues and challenges. July 10th deadline. Extended the deadline to July 17th. Received 343 responses from 121 different agencies. 70% of the responses were from IROC users.
- Went over the survey results.
- Discussed software applications.
- Next deadline is January 2026.

New Business

MACS ID Issues
 Marshall

Skipped due to time

Preposition Activity Dashboard
 Kempter

o Preposition Assist review.

- Beta version out by September 1.
- Working on getting two more layers developed. Live fuel moistures and lightning activity levels replacement.
- Updates the weather every three hours.
- o Simple system. At this point only for wildfire.
- Will email the presentation to the BoD.
- CICCS/IROC/IQS Update

Duvally

- o Some agencies are not putting their people into the IQS system.
- o They are loading them into IROC.
- o Will have more updates at the October BoD.

Old Business

MACS 410-4 FIRESCOPE By-Laws Revision

Marshall/Fennessy

- Goal is to bring this back at the October BoD for approval.
- Will go into effect January 1st.
- Discussed adding voting and non-voting members to the BoD.
- Fire Service Legislative Update

Rice/Meston

- Skipped due to time
- SB 450 Fire District Funding Update

Marshall

- So far, no funding has been put in this account.
- o In August, the Department of Finance will be looking at this again.
- o Better update at the October BoD.
- Emergency Response Access Teams (ERAT)

Presentation given by Juback/Gibson

Marshall

o Reports that FEMA will be going away after Hurricane season.

Potential Federal Budget impacts to FEMA/FMAG Programs

- The FMAG program is alive and well.
- o Changes have been made on when funding is given.
- Category of funding for Parks and Recreation has been eliminated.
- The FEMA grants that are over \$100,000 need to be approved by the secretary.
- Preposition Program Update

Marshall/Lopez

- Work is being done to update, formalize and make changes to the proposition program to improve it.
- o Completed \$5,000,000 worth of prepositions.
- Developing a user-friendly scoring matrix.
- Looking for the improvements to be approved at the October BoD.

2025/2026 Board of Director Meetings - Fennessy

October 8 & 9, 2025 BIA/Yocha Dehe Fire Department Brooks

January 14 & 15, 2026 Cal OES Headquarters Mather

Board Member Updates

Solicitation of Items to be Placed onto the Next Board Agenda

- Integrating EMSA ordered private ambulances into Incident Command System on wildfires and other major emergencies.
- Integration of Emergency Management Mutual Aid into the California Fire Assistance Agreement and IROC.

Public Comment: Items not on the July 10, 2025 Agenda

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned on day 2 at 1357