

Firescope GIS Specialist monthly meeting minutes:

Date: 6/17/2015 10:00

Attendees: Chris Ingram; Jana Luis, Chris Castillo, Steve Kennedy, Tiffany Meyer

NIFC FTP site

Jana – Pre-approved list was created for CALFIRE and teams.

- FTP site is accessible, but uploading data and password protection requires NAP account. This gives you the password to access different applications, such as ROSS and FTP. IMTs should be sending people the information to start this password request information. Once you are approved you can access the applications that you are approved for.
- CALFIRE FTP site can be used but it's recommended to disregard. Calfire site is limited. It is supposed to sweep NIFC twice a day but doesn't right now, and can't upload data onto NIFC. Is not supported 24/7. So for example, if it goes down over the weekend, there's nobody to help.
- NIFC is supported 24/7, everyone can view it and access it. Password must be renewed every 60 days.
- Vendors are not on the CALFIRE list for NIFC.
- NIFC works with FileZilla
- New site should work identical to old site, minus password.
- Jana can be a sponsor for getting the NAP password.

Update on FIMT tools

Rich is not on the line, so no information is available.

ESRI UC meet up

Who's going? Chris, Tiffany, Chris C., Dave, Lori, and Steve. We will email around to decide whether to meet while in SD.

Task force liaison

Matt Johnson – changed jobs and is now working for NPS. So Chris is trying to find out who will take over. Potentially Chief Garcia from State fire Training, but that has not been confirmed.

AGOL accounts for IMT GISS Leads - Tiffany

Logins will be set up for each lead on the FIREPLAN AGOL account. The accounts will have custom user types so that there will not be access to geoprocessing tools, but everything else will be available. This is to limit the amount of credits used. Access can be requested, if there is a specific need. The accounts will be for GISS Leads to use for incident support at their discretion.

Chris I. is using his agency account to set up support maps now, such as lightening map for northern CA., so it would be very useful for him to do this on a CALFIRE account instead, so that it can be shared with other teams.

Ross timing issues - Jana

Takes a really long time to get in orders because when incident first starts, orders go from ordering manager to ECC. ECC must set up the incident as “expanded” will speed up process. Information is getting entered from paper. Request goes to closest units first. Name requests go faster. Local gov’t goes to IC, then OES for approval.

Jana will follow up on process and timing for IMTs getting their O number.

General business

- Elizabeth Hale went back to NPS, so she will no longer be joining the FIREScope meetings.
- NAPSG symbology review – emails still going around, although deadline is passed.
- FOG manual – FIREScope has released it as app. Symbols are from GSTOP and NWCG, includes the road symbols that FIREScope did not approve. Rich is not sure that there’s not enough adversity to these new symbols to get them removed. USFS commonly uses the new symbols. IMT requests the “Wagon wheel” (polygons approach instead of lines. Divisions are shown by specific color pallet) division/assignment symbology for Ops map. This is an issue that should be addressed by FIREScope to standardize within CA.

Adjourned: 11:05am.