

FIRESCOPE GIS WorkGroup – Conference Call Notes – May 11, 2011

Attendees: Lorri Peltz-Lewis (USFS), Mark Rosenberg (CAL FIRE), Alfie Blanch (LACoFD), Kris Higgs (CALEMA), Tom Drayer (FIRESCOPE), Tom G. (), Tim C. (), Dave D. ()

Agenda:

FIRESCOPE Task Force, Ops, and BOD Overview – Tom Drayer – BOD – conference next week open to limited group – Future of FIRESCOPE being discussed with input from the teams. Answers to the questions from last year will be addressed. Tom discussed justification letter and history presentation. Justification and participation to participate in these meetings can be pointed to State Legislation (LPL will fill in). Lessons learned will be posted. NIMS typing standards were accepted by Ops team, conference call coming up. Guidelines are being developed for dealing with encounters with illegal drug discoveries.

Question – Next meetings for TF and Ops - June 7-8 TF, June 9-10 Ops

FIRESCOPE History discussion – link to the website: <http://www.firescope.org/firescope-history/firescope-past-present-future.htm> New Org chart on the website – outreach for all of us is very important!

GISS Hard Drive – Mark R. – coming out next week to CAL FIRE, paper on the format has been developed, working toward a combined format, Federal drives will be distributed by Lorri, Mark will report out the size to the team, sensitivity issues and documentation being provided with drives! As folks use the hard drives please get information to CAL FIRE and Fed (USFS) for changes and additions!

June & July Meeting - dates/times

2011 Meetings –

- **May 11, 2011 – 12:30-2:30 PM – working meeting, will revisit GSTOP and outstanding Issue Papers at this meeting.**
- June 14, 2011 – 1-2:30 PM – Symbology working meeting – good to go.
- July 26, 2011 - 1-2:30 PM – working meeting.
- **August 2, 2011 - 1-3 PM – CANCELLED**
- September 6, 2011 - Day Webinar proposed – **see how the season is on July 26th**
- October 4, 2011 - 1-3 PM - Lorri on vacation – **see how season is going and reset date in July.**
- November 1-3, 2011 - **Face 2 Face**
- December 6, 2011 - 1-3 PM

Previous Meeting notes:

March Notes - final confirmation – accepted. ACTION ITEM: Tom D and Lorri will get these to the webmaster!

April Notes - final confirmation – accepted. ACTION ITEM: Tom D and Lorri will get these to the webmaster!

MOU out for signatures - status updates – Lorri – signature status... etc.

Update on 5/16 – BLM has signed the MOU – it is now out to BIA for signature. Getting there!

Announcements:

GISS Pre-Fire Season Webinar - May 18th Noon - 1 PM Pacific Time – **Lorri will send to the FIRESCOPE GIS SG team.** This will be recorded so that folks can listen to this later!

Golden Guardian meeting is next week – Kris – 17-19th – rotating this around and different emergencies, rain on snow events, etc.

Issue Paper - Membership Issue Paper with Task Force – Tom - update

New members - Welcome Alfie! Additional folks that contact Lorri need to get a letter from their immediate supervisor, training chief, etc. send these to Lorri and she will forward to Tom D. **ACTION ITEM:** Lorri will send email to Elsa Hucks regarding the need for a letter. Done 5/17 **NOTE:** if you have been contacted by someone interested please let Lorri know and she will work with them to get the appropriate paperwork in.

Issue Paper - S-341 Class Recommendations – Lorri will write up comments and notes into another version of the issue paper. Due out soon!

ACTION ITEM: NEW ISSUE PAPER - Write up Issue Paper for recommending All Risk to NWCG? FEMA? This is on the GIS SG Work Plan. Tom D. pointed out that there are courses that support fire and courses that support all risk. These have to be developed and will take time to develop. Alfie pointed out that this took 5 years to develop this.

Working Session - Issue Paper - GSTOP - Lorri will write up comments and notes into another version of the issue paper. Due out soon!

Tom - if you can find the notes from last years meeting this would be the time to add those in. If not we have to move ahead without them.

2011 Meetings – (as determined in May 11th meeting)

- June 14, 2011 – 1-2:30 PM – Symbology working meeting – good to go.
- July 26, 2011 - 1-2:30 PM – working meeting.
- September 6, 2011 - Day Webinar proposed – [see how the season is on July 26th](#)
- October 4, 2011 - 1-3 PM - tentative – Lorri on vacation – [see how season is going and reset date in July.](#)
- November 1-3, 2011 - **Face 2 Face**
- December 6, 2011 - 1-3 PM