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Date: 12 December 2023, 1400 – 1530 MST

IWDG Members: Jesse Bender, Chair | Chuck Russell, CGAC | Dave Celino, IPSC | Jim Prevette, NASF | Michael Minton, ICAC | Zeph Cunningham, ICAC | Norm McDonald, NASF | Sean Peterson, NICC | Aaron Thompson, BLM | Rich Harvey, IAFC | Hank Rowland, FEMA | Joe Sean Kennedy, USFS | Carl Schwope, SWCG | Nicki Johnston, Admin

Not Present: Colleen Gadd, AHIMTA | Cole Belongie, DMC | Melissa Wegner, GATR | Shane Greer, ICSC | Steve Griffin, NIMSIC | Carol McElroy, FEMA | Patrick Pearson, RMA |

TOPIC

Review Current Actions:

Data Collection

- 2023 IMT Composition
 - Agency colors are now consistent across all data charts and charts and PDF are posted on IWDG website and StoryMap.
 - Russell has email group is set up to receive 2024 data call request.
 - Maintain current data request fields.
 - Data call shouldn't be necessary once ICAP is fully functioning.
 - Still need to set up call between Schwope and Jeremy for data table handoff.

Open Tasking Updates

- Geographic Area Standardization Tasking to CGAC
 - Draft NMAC taskings based on responses from the original tasking:
 - Standard Alignments for Geographic Area Priority Trainee Programs
 - ◆ CGAC will invite committee members to January meeting for working session.
 - ◆ Some GATRs are communicating their process and some don't have a process.
 - ◆ Ensure priority trainees are available for assignments.
 - ◆ Coordination between CGAC and the GATRs is a key piece.
 - ◆ There hasn't been much discussion from the GAs yet on desired outcomes.
 - Standard Criteria for Geographic Area Preparedness Levels
 - ◆ PL criteria varies between GAs depending on factors such as IMTs out, crews, natural disasters, automation with verification, etc.
 - ◆ Will also be discussed in a CGAC working session January 18.
 - Increasing Incident Support Capabilities Tasking
 - Reviewing recommended virtual standards for IMT support and modular configurations (CIMT and Type 3 incidents) submitted from SME groups and developing draft response.
 - Task team meeting monthly.
 - Target date for submitting response to NMAC will be end of January 2024.
 - NMAC will work with NWCG on portions that fall under their governance.
 - Identify how to start piloting the recommendations after NMAC and NWCG review and approve for implementation.

- Draft response memo outlining utilizing non-traditional resources is with chairs of NMAC, FMB, and NWCG for review.
- Need to prioritize which agencies and organizations to begin working to include.
- FDNY is extremely interested in participation in IMT surge support and has over 300 qualified IMT members. They requested IWDG draft a letter outlining their options and how they can increase their participation on IMTs which Bender drafted and sent back for review.
- Anticipate FDNY IMTs would still want or need some wildland operations and safety personnel with them.
- A national agreement for non-federal support is also recommended but there will likely still be needs for internal/geographic-specific agreements in some cases.
- State managers will be discussing grants and agreements at their January NASF meeting.
- The next phase of this work is most likely beyond the scope and capacity of IWDG.
- Utilizing IMTs for RX is another consideration.

Complex Incident Management Implementation

- IPSC Updates: IMT Course Steering Committee
 - Committee was remiss in not having an IWDG person attached to it from the beginning.
 - NWCG Executive Board will be discussing the charter and adding an IWDG person to the subcommittee.
- Feedback
 - Have not received any written feedback in several months.
 - The revised configuration standards NMAC distributed has initiated much discussion.
 - Continue to prompt folks to submit constructive feedback.
- AAR Actions Update
 - Several actions in a state of progress for completion, including:
 - CIMT evaluation form being reviewed by AA Subgroup for updates and will submit to NMAC.
 - Qualification clarifications and Field Evaluation discussions happening at NWCG; closing Type 1 pathway will be discussed in the spring.
 - Draft FMB memo is with chairs of governance bodies for review. Intent is to issue in January with key message of leadership expectations regarding CIM.

Agenda Items:

- ICCI Alternative Qualifications Pathways
 - Push to January agenda.
- IMT Standards Development Update
 - ICAC work session at fall meeting added more content and prompted good discussions. Still awaiting feedback from a couple of working groups then Bender will update draft for distribution to geographic area IC reps.
 - CGAC will be the next group to provide feedback, at the January meeting, then other committees and chartered bodies will get a chance to review.
 - Goal to submit draft standards to governance bodies in early spring.
- January Joint NWCG, FMB, NMAC Meeting
 - Key topics will include the draft FMB memo, ensuring systems pieces are being completed for 2024 implementation, and the CIMT evaluation.
- Vice-Chair
 - Support Aaron Thompson as the vice-chair for the next year.