

INTERAGENCY FIRECODE SYSTEM PROJECT
AUGUST UPDATE
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The FireCode System project is well underway. Since the June update, the project team and contractor have been busy finalizing the requirements for the system including reporting needs, dispatch office business rules, and agency finance business rules.

The dispatch office business rules have been developed to be interagency and with common needs. In addition, each agency is identifying any supplemental needs which will be included in the document. The direction will also include procedures in case of software/hardware problems, network outages, or if an office has a power failure.

The project team had the opportunity to view a live demo of the application as it stands today. The demo was very successful and only a few minor edits need to occur. The team will complete user acceptance testing during the week of September 9th. Prior to that, information will be shared with the field to further inform them of the changes coming, the dispatch rules, as well as the financial business rules for each agency.

The project will be completed on time with the training of the application to occur during the first part of September.

We realize the fire season is intense, and most likely will continue. Strategies are being developed to work around the impacts that are occurring to the dispatch community. Training will also include the finance users to meet their reporting needs.

What happens after October 1? The application will become part of the Bureau of Land Management's systems and managed by them. In addition, a steering committee and user group will be established to ensure the continued success of the application and any future enhancements that may be viable. A charter is being developed to provide guidance for these two groups.

We will provide additional updates as the project continues to progress, as well as post the dispatch office and finance business rules to the web site (www.nifc.gov, then click on NICC).

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SAMPLE OF WHAT LOGIN SCREEN WILL LOOK LIKE

