



## FFAST Meeting February 18, 2009

### Attendees:

Larry Sutton - USFS

Michelle Ryerson – BLM

Rod Bloms – FWS

Chad Fisher – Newly Selected NPS Safety & Prevention Officer to Replace Al King

Al King – NPS Contractor

Tony Beitia - BIA

Marie Bates – BLM

Rick Mills – Guest - AMD

### **“Last Resort Survival” in the Interagency Response Pocket Guide (IRPG)**

This subject is in the green pages of the IRPG. There has been feedback whether this information really belongs in the IRPG, but if taken out, where should it go. This information is similar to verbiage in 6 Minutes for Safety. One reason to leave it in the IRPG could be for a training moment (tailgate session) or be used for a briefing.

**Decision:** Consensus with FFAST to take this part out of the IRPG and discuss on the next Safety and Health Working Team conference call for a final decision. They will compare the verbiage that is similar to language already on 6 Minutes for Safety.

### **WFSTAR Charter – Chartered under FFAST or SHWT?**

There have been discussions on where this committee should be housed under. It currently is under the Refresher Steering Committee consisting of a WFSTAR Lead, representative from the Leadership Committee, representative from BLM Training, and a representative from the Lessons Learned Center. Currently the Training Working Team is developing a memo to address this issue, but in the interim the WFSTAR Charter will continue operating under the Strategic Plan from NWCG until the new plan is finalized.

### **Exit Exam Process**

There has been confusion to the field on who this applies to and when you would do an exit exam. The intent of taking an exit exam is when an incumbent terminates federal service as an arduous wildland firefighter. The original guidance and wording needs to be articulated more and posted on the IMSP website. FFAST will gather more information and discuss further.

### **Safety Alert Posting – Rick Mills - AMD**

The Safety Alert system is an application to store safety related notices, bulletins and notes. In the past AMD has been responsible to manage these postings to the SHWT website. The FFAST now has the ability to post their own safety alerts on the website. Rick discussed the application process and procedures to the FFAST group. The FFAST has asked Rick to provide specific items that will need to be addressed and set up for admin access of members who will be accessing the Safety Alert and SAFENET database. These specifics will be identified in the FFAST action log.

### **FFAST Action Log**

The FFAST Action log was discussed and updated.

### **Set Next Meeting Date**

The next monthly FFAST meeting will be March 20, at 0900 in the Old Admin Building in Workshop #1.