



MINUTES

Wildland Section Meeting

January 8, 2018 at 16:30

Clyde's Restaurant, UCCS Campus

- **Meeting called to order by Brad White, Chairman at 16:30**
- **Introductions**
- **Review Minutes from October 2017, Motion to approve by Doug Cupp, seconded by Tim Batchelor, motion carried**
- **CDFPC Updates:**
 - Their grant manager left the agency so the VFA grant process/announcement has been delayed. The last round of grants was awarded in the Spring of 2016. DFPC will open the grant opportunity in March, with another possible round in the fall.
 - DFPC received 3,313 reimbursement requests in 2017 totaling over \$36,000,000. They paid out over \$38,000,000. The average number of days it took to reimburse cooperators was 28 which exceeded their goal of 45 days.
 - They will be beta-testing new software to allow cooperators to request reimbursement electronically. They are looking to purchase the software in July and need some agencies to help with the testing of it. Full implementation is planned for 2019.
 - “We are in the third quarter of the game regarding the strategic planning process within DFPC.” Should be able to “roll out” comments from initial scoping soon. Some concerns that comments were not received from a truly representative group across the state.
- **New Business**
 - Chris Sorensen and Jeremy Utter from CDHSEM spoke to the group about the recent EMAC requests from CAL OEM. Engine time was originally miscalculated, but worked with California and were able to rectify. Working with DFPC and others to build mission-ready financial packages up front. Communications regarding the request were identified as needing improvement. Need costs from cooperators up front. CDHSEM has been working with CDFPC to streamline future orders, streamline paperwork where possible. Payment process through EMAC process are typically 135 days.
 - CDFPC/ Wildfire Advisory Committee is forming working groups to address tactical operations and preparedness. Look for an email from Director Morgan.

- Fire Adapted Colorado (www.fireadaptedco.org) is the fiscal agent for the Colorado Wildland Fire Conference. The next conference is in Crested Butte, September 18-20, 2018. <http://www.wildfire-colorado.com>.
 - **Appointment of Secretary**
 - Schelly nominated Chief Doug Cupp for Secretary, seconded by Paul Cada, Doug accepted nomination and appointment
 - **2018 Officers**
 - Chair: Brad White, Assistant Chief, Grand Fire Protection District (bwhite@grandfire.org)
 - Vice Chair: Schelly Olson, Assistant Chief, Grand Fire Protection District (solson@grandfire.org)
 - Secretary: Doug Cupp, Fire Chief, Greater Eagle Fire Protection District (dcupp@gefpd.org)
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- **Goals/Objectives Discussion (from October meeting)**
 - Pursue the statewide mutual aid agreement (work with Ops Section). CSFC/Ops/DFPC talking about mutual aid (9-1-1 side), with immediate neighbors, need to build a system everyone can rely on....
 - Eagle County has a ten-county mutual aid agreement/area
 - Work with the five regional CO IMTs
 - Need to answer the WebEOC versus ROSS issue; how do we ensure agencies are using the right system for the right reasons? Will they ever be merged into one program?? Future of ROSS—“IROC”—Interagency Resource Ordering Capability
 - What do members of this section want to see moving forward?? Please send ideas, expectations, speakers, agenda items, and thoughts about charging dues?

Next Meeting:
CWFIMA in June (Salida)??
CSFCA Leadership Challenge in October