**FSWG Call**
Tue, Jan 14, 2020 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PST)

**Call Attendance:**

Tom Moore, Bob Kotchenruther, Matt Mavko, Mary Uhl, Mark Fitch, Debbie Miller, Tina Suarez-Murias, Paul Corrigan

**Agenda**

**Note: Agenda is in bold**, notes are in normal type face.

1. **Welcome, Roll Call, Notetaking, Agenda Review – Sara, Bob, Paul**
2. **Tour of the WRAP website map’s new Smoke Management layer (**[**https://www.wrapair2.org/map\_temp.aspx**](https://www.wrapair2.org/map_temp.aspx)**and turn on the Smoke Mgmt. layer) – review and discuss – Paul**

Paul walked through the smoke management layer for the WRAP map. He Demoed Oregon’s link, Idaho’s link, and Nez Perce tribal link. There is still some work to build smaller-than-state polygons. But a lot is now there.

Questions and discussion:

Tom: Region 3 for USFS has many reservations, lots of forest, any tribal info for that?

Paul: talked with Ron S., discussed some specific reservations and that they use the prescribed burn portal that is available from State/USFS. Tom: do we want to include these portals on map or in info section? Paul: Some state links go right to a portal, some are more buried. Mark F.: we should reach out to ITEP, they have been helpful in the past on tribal SMPs. Tom: for those tribes that collaborate with states, would be helpful to add to the additional info in info sections. Mark agrees. Mark says be careful not to overstate relationships that may not be working well (or if there is some question). Tom: did we capture everything in map that’s in the suvey? Paul: yes. Tom: who holds all info of survey. Paul: he does, and other FSWG cochairs he thinks.

1. **Update and status report on the Future Fire Scenarios for RH modeling, overview of the final FFS methodology – Matt**

Matt provided a FFS overview. He also previously went over it with the RBFFS. He reviewed the methodologies we agreed on. There are 2 scenarios. (1) wildfire, and is climate forced and (2) Rx fire. For the western US, (1) and (2) were developed independently of each other. for (1), it is based on a simulation method. Based on ecoregion analysis of historical fire distributions. There are 100 fire simulations for each ecoregion based on historical fire activity. For the EI for the representative baseline, picked the one simulation that most closely matched 5-year average for each ecoregion. For the future fire scenario, he started with the 5-year average, but scaled it based on predictions/projections for 2050 which were scaled back to 2028. Scalers were then applied to 5-year average. Then looked up simulation that best matched scaled value for 2028. For Rx burns, Mark F. helped develop a matrix by agency and region, to understand projections for 2028. Scenario A is based on projected fiscal budgets and is the most realistic. Scenario B is what they would like to accomplish.

Questions: Tina: Regions 4 and 5 have different vegetation types. Do scalers apply to each vegetation type? Matt: yes.

1. **Review draft FETS Transition Action Plan (attached) – Matt**

Refer to action plan memo. Biggest problem with old FETS, is it relied on data structure of external systems. When they evolved, the FETS system would break. Maintaining the FETS with this structure is not sustainable. The Action Plan Memo lays out 3 options going forward.

Reactions/reflections. Tom: is this memo the end point in your (Matt’s) workplan? Matt: further work and transition would require additional levels of effort. Tom: we don’t have an action plan to get from where we are to one of these options. What feedback are you (Matt) looking for? Matt: potential users should weigh in. He only knows EPA would be a user for developing the NEIs. Is there anyone else who would use it? Should we do all this just for EPA? What about BlueSky, NOAA, AIRPACT? What is the wider interest? Tom: if it’s built, then they ***may*** come … Matt: wonders if interest will trail off as with old FETS. Tina: CA has a system, they won’t want to enter data into two systems, and participation is spotty.

We were running out of time on the call, and it was obvious that a lot more discussion on this was needed. The group resolved to circle back to this topic on a later call.

1. **Summary of 2019 Fire Activity and Emissions (attached) – Mark**

Agenda item tabled until next call.

1. **Review together the final FSWG task awaiting us in the WRAP workplan – Sara and all**
	1. **Wildfire coordination between states/tribes on wildfire response and smoke management**
		1. **Determine how states, tribes, and federal agencies coordinate (or don’t) during wildfire season**
		2. **Identify ways to improve coordination**
		3. **Define work product and timing to complete this task**

Agenda item tabled until next call.

1. **FSWG self-assessment by May for future FSWG meeting schedule/activities/tasks (if any and with budget request) – Tom**

Agenda item tabled until next call.

1. **Confirm next FSWG call date and time, action items - all**

Next call will be Monday 2/10/2020 @ 3 pm Mountain