

PNWCG – GISWT Fire Season 2006 Wrap up Meeting
10/20/06
Notes

Attendees:

Emmor Nile	Dave Wischer
Mike Burnett	Dale Guenther
Earl Cordes	Kim Kelly
Shelley Moore	

- 1) Fire Perimeters – Fire Season 2006 Draft -
ftp://ftp.nifc.gov/Incident_Specific_Data/PACIFIC_NW/2006_NWCC_INFO/NWCC_FireHistory/

There are still some missing perimeters – list distributed.

- 2) Fire Data Layers – We had some concerns this year with which PLSS layers to use. Apparently there are some agency PLSS layers that do not include protraction blocks.
Table PLSS for future meeting when Marc Thomas can join us. Bring the data issue to the attention of Agencies as it truly is a GIS Data issue, not just a fire data concern.

Priority Layers that are being worked on that are completed or need review.

Draft Layers –

Aerial Hazards – review and send to ftp.nifc.gov/base_info/statewidedata/
Fire History – review and send to ftp.nifc.gov/base_info/statewidedata/
Gas Transmission Lines – Obtaining Super Secret Password
Structures – RSAC working out process – will be transferred to local RS folks
Dispatch Boundaries – ftp.nifc.gov/base_info/statewidedata/
Flight Following Dispatch Map – in progress, needs review
Radio coverage maps – in progress, needs review
Industrial Land Ownership (Oregon)
Communities at Risk

Fire Layer Priorities –

Compile the survey results to update the ongoing Fire Layer Priority List.

DRG issues this season:

FS DRG's not projecting on the fly (headers?)

Some not using DRG's but the layers that make up the DRG. Workable solution.

BLM DRG to Tiff Image

Explore using Fire Data Ordering Site

Explore DRG solutions (ftp of each projection and agency data) Needs further discussion.

Data structure on <ftp.nifc.gov> – consider creating a folder called Pacific Northwest to capture those layers that are Regional, and also include the individual State Folders.

Kim – Send out fuels NFPORs Data standard

- 3) Review of Pacific Northwest Fire Season 2006 Survey Questions. Dale will make changes and post. Survey period will be thru November and results will be discussed at our meeting in December.
- 4) Data Disks - Their use this season and future use.
All felt the program was overall successful. Review the feedback from the Fire Season 2006 Survey to obtain further feedback. Suggestion was made to have blank disks available for fire Teams to hand over official digital fire data for the agency for archiving purpose.

- 5) SOP's and Standards – SOP's were met overall with positive response. Will wait for the Fire Season 2006 Survey to gain additional feedback.
- 6) [FTP.NIFC.GOV](http://ftp.nifc.gov) – Overall the ftp.nifc.gov appeared to be successful this season. A national survey was sent out and the results will be available for review shortly. Enhancement work will be done based on feedback received Regionally and Nationally.
- 7) GIS Trailers – received feedback from the field in regards to GIS trailers.
Dale took notes and will address the EERA agreement language.

Dale will also talk Mike Spencer about initiating Taskbooks for Contractors as well as Nominations for GISS training.
- 8) GISS and GISS - Trainee Positions - Proper sign off on Taskbooks (not accepting unqualified personnel who show up on fires). Some issues came up this season where unqualified personnel showed up for fire assignments. Need to continue to work within the system to not have folks signed off on their Task Books while not being able to perform the basic tasks. Team agrees serious consideration should be given to include a GISS Lead position.
- 9) Incidweb, Agency Docs, FTP Posting for Incident Information. (move towards a one stop shop for incident posting of information). Will get results back from survey.
- 10) IR data provided for incidents –
The main feedback was that it would be helpful for IR data to be located in a standard place on FTP.NIFC.GOV for consistent access. Preferably right under the Incident Name at the same level as the GIS folder.
- 11) Training, encouraging, and maintaining a pool of GISS resources in the Region.
Explore several alternatives to recruit, train, and maintain a good GIS Pool.

Emmor – Stats on GIS Training Participants - Done
Kim – List of who is in ROSS -
PNWCG-GISWT – Develop a process sheet on process to follow to become trained and assigned in ROSS. Kim will initiate
PNWCG – GIS Lead needs to be established provide feedback to GTG.
- 12) New Technologies used this season - FSPRO, FIMT, Other?
Table this until next Next Meeting.
- 13) Use of Agency IT Equipment and Plotters for Incidents (when GIS sets up at a FS or BLM District Office). Regionally we need to work towards a policy for teams to access plotters or printing services.
- 14) Addresses of your supervisor and Agency Administrator.

Next meeting Friday December 15TH, Hillsboro Fire Department

- Discuss Results of NW Fire Season Survey
- Discuss Results ftp.nifc.gov Survey
- Ask Marc Thomas to meet in regards to PLSS layers and agreements to Acquire County Parcel Data prior to the Fire Season for use in incident support and analysis.
- Update on Tri Meeting Work – Fuels/Grants/GIS
- 15-20 Minute Round Robin displaying new technology (no pressure just if you have something to present)