
National Incident Management Organization

Briefing Paper

Background: The NIMO Implementation Task Group recommended implementing seven Incident Management Teams (IMT's) starting in Fiscal Year 2006. The Atlanta and Boise IMT's were hired in July 2006. The two NIMO teams met at NIFC in August for NIMO program orientation, planning and development of team processes.

Objectives:

- 1.) Provide overview of the NIMO Teams;
- 2.) Solicit initial input from NMAC.

Discussion:

Short Term - The two NIMO Teams established interim protocols and timelines for organization and mobilization. This resulted in the following:

- Geographic Areas of Responsibility:
 - NIMO Boise- Northern Rockies, Eastern and Western Great Basin, North and South Operations, Pacific Northwest, Alaska and the 17 western states including the Pacific Islands.
 - NIMO Atlanta- Southern Area, Eastern Area, Southwest, Rocky Mountains and the 20 eastern states, 13 southern states including Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.
- Team Mobilization:
 - NIMO Boise: South Ops/LPF
 - NIMO Atlanta: Southern Area/FLF
- Team Stand-up Schedule:
 - September:
 - team orientation and administrative requirements;
 - develop and complete the program of work which will be reviewed by NMAC and approved by the NIMO Coordinator.
 - October:
 - initial project work begins;
 - meet with stakeholders;
 - meet with WFLC October 11 & 12; and
 - meet with IOS/TWT the week of October 24;
 - November:
 - L-381 Training at NAFRI
- Team Rotation:
 - Two (2) week periods- NIMO on its own rotation (like the IMT's and ACT's);
- Mobilization:
 - Mobilization Standards developed;
 - Criteria for Ordering NIMO; by January 1 to be approved by NMAC.
- Standard NIMO Team Operating Procedures and;
- Initial Projects (Communication Plan & Talking Points, Power Point, Briefing Packet, Monthly Report or IAP, etc.);
- NIMO project assignments and requests are placed with the NIMO Coordinator;
- Refine the NIMO Mission based on the nine key recommendations.

Long Term - The two NIMO Teams have selected initial projects that support NIMO program goals and will solidify team cohesion, unless otherwise directed. This resulted in the following:

- Southern Wildfire Risk Assessment (SWRA) congressional roll-out;
- Building partnerships with FDNY and Transportation Security Administration (Alaska);
- Develop a large-scale vegetative management prototype.