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# NORTH AMERICAN FOREST COMMISSION

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## FIRE MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP (FMWG) REPORT

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**PERIOD: September 2019 – July 2021**

### 1. WORKING GROUP COMPOSITION

Chairperson	Country	Organization
Mike Norton	Canada	NRCan
Members	Country	Organization
Kim Connors	Canada	CIFFC
Julie Fortin	Canada	MFFP, Quebec
Francisco Javier Medina González	Mexico	CONANP
Diego Pérez Salicrup	Mexico	UNAM
Juan Manuel Frausto Leyva	Mexico	FMCN

<sup>1</sup> Rescheduled from 13-15 September 2021

Eduardo Cruz Castañeda	Mexico	CONAFOR
Gordon Sachs	United States	USDA-FS
Isidoro Solis	United States	USDA-FS
Matt Jolly	United States	USDA-FS

## 2. LIST OF ACTIVITIES COMPLETED DURING THE PAST 2 YEARS

Meetings	Location	Date
54 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the FMWG	<i>Virtual</i>	<i>1-2 December 2020</i>
53 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the FMWG	<i>JALISCO, MEXICO</i>	<i>12-14 November 2020</i>

## ACTIVITIES

- Developing MOU agreements
  - o Operation Plans – Mexico has signed the 2020 and 2021 Operation Plan with Canada, and the Operation Plan between Mexico and the US is under review.
- North American fire research
  - o Develop the Blueprint initiative in conjunction with the other countries.
- North American Study Tour
  - o This has been an activity implemented yearly by the FMWG. Due to COVID-19, in 2020 it was in virtual format and in 2021 it was postponed.
- North American Study Tour Mentoring Focus Group
  - o There have been 6 sessions in preparation for the initiative to create a Mentoring Focus Group to exchange experience and knowledge.
- International training support, including Latin and South American countries
  - o Will resume once COVID-19 situation permits.
- Review and expand glossary of terms to include various languages.

## 3. PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR NEXT 2 YEARS

Activity	Location	Date	Status (ongoing/new)
Update to 2021 FMWG Charter and Workplan	Virtual	<b>2021</b>	Ongoing

Execute Trilateral Equity/Diversity/Inclusion Forum and expanding to North America	Virtual	<b>TBD</b>	New
To develop deployment guidelines to international assistance between North American Countries, Australia and New Zealand	Virtual	<b>Priority for 2021</b>	Ongoing
North American Fire Danger Rating Map	Virtual	<b>2021-2022</b>	Ongoing
2022 Australasia Study Tour planning	Virtual	<b>2022</b>	Ongoing
Latin America Women's Fire Management Workshop	Virtual	<b>TBD</b>	New

#### **4. WORKING GROUP FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS AND/OR NETWORKING**

North American Study – Member countries invite the fire management network (NZ and AUS) with the objective of exchanging knowledge and best practices.

#### **5. REQUEST FOR FUNDING AND/OR OTHER SUPPORT**

Capacity sharing, especially through training, with the objective of enhancing the results of each group member.

#### **6. CLOSING REMARKS**

The FMWG will continue to actively support and participate in international fire management programmes with fire management agencies throughout the world by developing and promoting activities that support international cooperation and development, and promote and demonstrate equity, diversity, and inclusion.