

Aerial Survey/Disturbance Tracking Focus Group Resolutions 2008

- 1- Whereas it has been 10 years since the National Reporting Standards for Aerial Survey have been established, be it resolved that we review and update the National Standards.

FHM MT recommendation: establish federal and state group including FHTET, GIS and ADS representatives to review and update the National Standards.

- 2- Whereas current National PTIPS list is conducive to error and confusion, be it resolved that ADS representatives & specialists work together to update PTIPS/damage agent list and codes to better address biological complexes and errors (needs regular maintenance).

FHM MT recommendation: establish group including Entomologists and Pathologists to complete this work.

3- Whereas it is acknowledge that current ground check guidelines meet the intent of honing ADS observer skills, be it resolved that ground checking shall be encouraged and the guidelines made available to all regions and states (it is also recognized other ground check methods are beneficial).

www.fs.fed.us/foresthealth/aviation/pdfs/ADS_grdchk_guide_formV2.pdf