

NFPA Technical Committee on Technical Search and Rescue

Second Draft Meeting NFPA 2500 (1670)

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Guests

Rickey Wiley – FDNY

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Meeting was called to order by chair Ben Waller at 9:20am eastern time. Welcome by the chair and introductions made along with attendance completed.

There was a discussion on the purpose of this meeting and that was to address any submitted public comments and to develop any second revisions for the NFPA 1670 portion of the consolidated draft of NFPA 2500.

NFPA staff liaison, Ken Holland, gave the committee an NFPA update on the revision cycle and the remaining process for the document. The first edition of NFPA 2500, which will include the material that was NFPA 1670, should be published in 2021 with an edition date of 2022. Also it was stressed that each principal member have an alternate and that even alternates should return their ballots, just in case the principal doesn't return their ballot.

The committee acted on the submitted public comments, 6 in total, and developed approximately 18 second revisions, based on those public comments, that will be balloted by the full committee.

Some committee members again expressed their concerns and discontent with the consolidation plan and the fact that NFPA 1670 was consolidated into NFPA 2500. It was restated that their concerns have been heard and we will work towards a solution soon.

Also discussed was FR 458 for NFPA 2500 that was created to change the title of NFPA 2500 and that the TEC-AAA committee was not pleased with that change. It was also noted that no one from the TEC-AAA committee submitted a public comment on that FR, but NFPA staff will work together to see what can be done to modify FR-458.

No future meetings planned since they will not be meeting until the next group 1 of the consolidation plan.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:45am eastern time.