# Friends & Partners in Aviation Weather Survey Digest

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NBAA FPAW Meeting – 17/18 October 2018, Orlando, FL

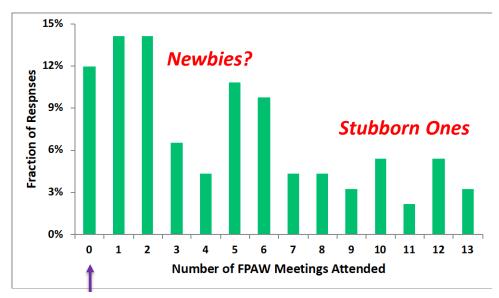
# **General Feedback**

#### **Survey Response**

- >90 people filled out survey
- survey sent to >1400 people
- wide range of recent attendance

# **Need for FPAW-like Forum**

- overwhelming thumbs-up
- <10% feel not needed</p>
- ~10% did not answer



Not Attended (Since 2011)

# **Positive Impacts**

- networking, establishing and maintaining relationships
- enhancing collaboration across agencies and industry partners
- information exchange and opportunity to share/raise concerns
- helped focus on ATM/Weather Integration
- aviation weather solutions like HEMS tool, HRRR model, etc.

# **Meeting Logistics**

# Frequency

- majority agrees with 2 in-person meetings per year
- some would like only 1 in-person meeting per year, possibly with virtual meetings in between
- few want either more or less meetings

# **Duration**

- majority agree with 1½ days, maybe shifting start and end times
- should be longer if only 1 meeting per year

# Location

- diverse opinions varying from "good as is" to "only Washington, DC" or "only NBAA" to "rotate locations"
- some complaints about expensive locations

# Timing

- some concern about timing of meetings, preferring more separation
- suggestion for meetings in spring (Apr May) and fall (Oct Nov)
- may require convening Planning Meeting virtual or have block of time for planning discussion at each FPAW meeting

# **Meeting Makeup, Format and Outcome**

#### Attendance

- need good mix of aviation stakeholders

   industry, labor, agencies representatives
- desire key executives and decision makers
- attractive and stimulating meetings will increase attendance
- option for remote participation, broadcasting
  - consider Turbulence Impact Mitigation 3 Workshop

#### Format

- interesting presentations/panels by authoritative speakers
- more discussions, maybe based on interdisciplinary and contrasting views
- enhance audience participation, maybe breakout discussion groups
- define scope/theme and expected outcome (e.g., position papers)

### Outcome

- need summary/minutes of meeting, issue tracking
- must be able to follow up, resolve open items

# **Organizational Aspects**

# **Leadership Transition**

- thank you to Bruce Carmichael (retiring) for two decades of leadership!
- Matt Fronzak (MITRE) and Matthias Steiner (NCAR) new FPAW stewards

#### **FPAW – NBAA Relationship**

John Kosak

# **Giving FPAW "Clout"**

- notable desire to make FPAW more "formal" via
  - Federal Advisory Committee status (40%)
  - drafting a Charter (31%) or
  - Terms of Reference (12%)
  - some dreams of getting funding from either the FAA or the NWS

### **Sub-Groups**

- formal or adhoc smaller groups addressing specific issues
- sub-groups should be self-organizing, meet as needed, primarily virtually