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Hosted By:

**Santa Clara County Fire Department**

Task Force Meeting Location

North Star Fire Department  
9100 Highlands View Road  
North Star, CA 96161

## Microsoft Teams

[FIRESCOPE Task Force and Operations Team Meeting](#)

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### Members

Robert Rezende (SND)

Jett Schuster (BDC)

Matt Brown (CNT)

Angel Prieto (BLM)

Steve Davis (SBC)

Cathy Johnson (OES)

Patrick D'Arcy (SFR)

Cary Wright (KRN)

Pedro Arreguin (VNC)

Caryn Petty (CDF)

Brett Russel (BSH)

Chris St. Pierre (USFS)

Tim Adams (ANA)

Scott Lewis (SCR)

Derrick Chapman (LAC)

Dan Coyle (MNL)

Brian Duffy (TLC)

Dave Semple (CDF)

Jim Henery (ORC)

Guy Tomlinson (LFD)

James MacDonald (CNT)

### Guests

Jim Johnstone (OES)

Tyson Lewis (TLC)

Nick Tennent (TRK)



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- I. Welcome, Introductions, Logistics, and Pledge Coyle (MNL)
  
- II. Moment of Silence for Firefighters LODDs  
  
No New LODD's  
  
**\*\*And all Law Enforcement Officers LODD\*\***
- III. Agenda Review and Additions Brown
- IV. Review and Approval of Previous Task Force Meeting Minutes St. Pierre
  1. Motion to approve the March Meeting Minutes: Coyle Second Tomlinson
- V. Task Force Update Brown
  1. MACS Training next month to focus on IC's, Chief Officers, IMT members and Dispatchers
  2. Items that go to Op's need to have final draft version scrutiny
    - a. As a document works thru the decision process, always share with Chief Johnstone & Brown a track change version along with a clean version.
    - b. Goal for all new docs to go to Ops targeting the July BoD for approval
    - c. June Meeting hosted by SDFD, secure logistics by May 1st
    - d. ADA new FIRESCOPE Flyer and Roster sent saved to SmartSheets
- VI. Ops Team Update Johnstone
  1. No significant updates specific to Ops Team
  2. Chief Serna working on a draft Fuels Reduction White Paper, targeting a discussion with the Ops Team in June & will request support from CRR Subcommittee.
- VII. Cal OES Update Johnson
  1. Chief Kyle Long has departed Cal OES, Vacant
  2. Region IV Assistant Chief position vacant vice Corey Zander
  3. FAST App POC has changed to Van Arroyo or
- VIII. OSFM SFT Report Petty
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2. STEAC Meeting took place April 10, 2026
3. Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator Series – Final vote July 2026
4. Instructors will be required to possess Certification specific to the apparatus-type
5. Ratios now 1:8 (presented as 1:6 but stakeholder feedback warranted increase)
6. Aerial no longer prerequisite for Tiller
7. Ethics curriculum update – Information Only intro July 2026
8. SFT monitoring federal training providers and troubleshooting solutions for related courses
9. Cadre Call completed for Fire and Emergency Services Instructor and FSTEP courses closed, will meet June 2026
10. Discussion on S-420 Curriculum

### IX. Old Business/Projects Updates

1. FOG ICS 420.1 2022 – Sales – App Update Johnson
  - i. No change in the current request form. Discussion occurring at the BoD meeting this week
  - ii. Sales have slowed
  - iii. App analytics to be provided in the future
  - iv. Brown: Looking for opportunities to highlight the app on the home page of the FIRESCOPE website.
    1. A tab exist, suggestion to share a re-direct
  - v. Coyle: Consider reaching out to Cal Chiefs so they can advertise the FOG app.
    1. Johnson: Chief Johnstone to provide approval
- b. Paper FOG's in the inventory, sales continue
- c. New App Revision Analytics Johnson
- d. FOG 3.0 roll-out Johnson
- e. FOG Items and Digital Changes St. Pierre
2. Additional members to subcommittees All



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- a. D'Arcy: Proposed to add Jordan Roberts from (SBC) to CAD to CAD Ad Hoc Subcommittee, representing SBC
  - i. Motion by Schuester/Second Arreguin
3. FIRESCOPE Task Request Form St. Pierre
  - a. Current task tracking
    - i. HEAT
    - ii. Helicopter Typing
    - iii. Mobile Communications Typing
    - iv. Membership Decision Process Job Aid
    - v. Draft Mopup Standards
  - b. Application to current tasks, updates Rezende
    - i. No New Updates
    - ii. Consider going thru our past tasks and adding completion dates
4. **2026 Quarterly Briefs** St. Pierre
5. Truckee Fire District Avalanche Regional Rescue Team Overview
6. HZSO Whitepaper (Update) Rezende
  - a. The document is with CICCS, they will be recommending a new position ID, Position Description and Task Book.
  - b. Rezende will continue to coordinate with the Hazmat Subcommittee & CICCS on these changes
  - c. HZSO is a California only IROC Code
7. TS&R Document Review Coyle
  - a. Arbor Rescue ICS 162-5 (Going to BoD) Coyle
    - i. Ops provided edits and approved the document
8. Collaborative Statewide Fuels Reduction White Paper Brown
  - a. Chief Serna working on a draft Fuels Reduction White Paper, targeting a discussion with the Ops Team in June & will request support from CRR Subcommittee.
  - b. Expecting a draft document in May



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9. CAD to CAD Typing White Paper (Going to BoD) D'Arcy
  - a. Typing White Paper was approved by the Ops Team, moving to the April BoD Meeting
  - b. Subcommittee is expecting a future BoD taskings
10. ICS 400-1 (Going to BoD) Johnstone
  - a. Approved by Ops going to April BoD Meeting for approval
11. CWCG and NWCG Collaboration- Valley Fever (Discussion) Adams
  - a. Safety Subcommittee and CWCG has reviewed and discussed
  - b. Meeting again in 2 weeks

### **X. Current BOD Tasking**

1. Mop-Up Standards (Discussion) Adams
  - a. Assigned ICS 620
  - b. Wildland Subcommittee working on the draft document. Expecting TF to review in June.
2. Helicopter Typing White Paper (Discussion) Semple

### **XI. New Business**

1. MACS 441 Revision/Legacy BK Phase Out (Going to BoD) Prieto
  - a. 1000 Channel, P28 capability, implementation deadline moved to 2028
  - b. Socialized at IMT Pre-Season Meetings
2. ICS 702 Fireline Emergency Medical Technician/Paramedic (Discussion and Update) Davis
  - a. TF reviewed the draft document and recommended edits were provided to EMS Subcommittee Liaison.
    - i. Omit state certifications for EMT's, July 2026 date change, MEL discussion, Omit Appendix C & Address change to 23300 Castle Street.
    - ii. Adams will discuss a Single Resource Job Aid that meets the MEL for all positions with the Wildland SC.
3. Behavioral Health PTBs (Discussion) Petty



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- a. Document outlines 5 positions in support of Behavioral Health
- b. TF recommends Liaison Officer (LOFR) to be within the Chain of Command for the CISL
- c. TF reviewed the draft document and recommended edits were provided to Behavioral Health Liaison.
- d. Targeting a July BoD approval.
4. Fire Alarm Reduction White Paper (Discussion) Rezende
  - a. The subcommittee is meeting on April 22nd to continue working on the document.
  - b. Formatting recommendations provided to CRR Liaison.
5. Workflow for TF Validation of New Members Rezende
  - a. To be placed in 400-9
  - b. Needs ADA compliance, expected review ADA insert at the May TF meeting
6. FIRESCOPE Awards (Discussion) Brown
7. MACS Training May (Discussion) Brown
  - a. Stakeholder feedback has lead to a change in the curriculum
  - b. Targeting hands on training with SITL, PSC, IC's filling out the ICS-209
  - c. May 13, 2026 0830 to 1230, Class B Uniforms
  - d. MACS 410-1 Orientation & Video
  - e. MACS Mode and PL, MAC Group Meeting Description
  - f. Incident Priority Rating Procedure
    - i. Task Force led group incident rating
    - ii. Independent table group incident rating
  - g. Intel Unit Leader / 209 Tips and Tricks for submitters.
    - i. Interaction with the GACC's and Local ECC's



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## XII. Specialist Committees and Subcommittee Reports All

### 1. Health and Safety Specialist Committee

Subcommittee	Liaison	Next Meeting Date
Incident Safety	Schuster/Adams	April 20-21, 2026
Behavioral Health	Petty/Wright	Not Available
Cancer Prevention	Wright/Petty	May 26, 2026

### 2. Special Operations Specialist Committee

Subcommittee	Liaison	Next Meeting Date
Technical Search and Rescue	Coyle	May 6 & 7, 2026
Maritime Operations	MacDonald	May 19 & 20, 2026
Hazardous Materials	Rezende	May 6, 2026
Energy	Rezende	Not Available
HEAT (Ad-Hoc)	Henery	April 28 & 29, 2026

### 3. Information Technology Specialist Committee

Subcommittee	Liaison	Next Meeting Date
GIS	Arreguin	June 4, 2026
Predictive Services	St.Pierre / Duffy	Not Available
Communications	Prieto	April 22 & 23, 2026
Emerging Info Tech (EIT)	Brown	May 21 & 22, 2026
CAD to CAD (Ad-Hoc)	D'Arcy	Not Available

### 4. Emergency Operation Specialist Committee

Subcommittee	Liaison	Next Meeting Date
EMS	Davis	June 25, 2026



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Structure Fire	Henery	May 13 -14, 2026
Wildland Fire	Adams/Semple	May 4 & 6, 2026
Wildland Preplan (Ad-Hoc)	Duffy	May 19, 2026

### 5. Air Operations Specialist Committee

Subcommittee	Liaison	Next Meeting Date
Aviation Operations	Chapman/Semple	June 17 & 18, 2026
Unmanned Aerial System	Chapman/Semple	June 17 & 18, 2026

### 6. Training and Education Specialist Committee

Subcommittee	Liaison	Next Meeting Date
CSFM Training	Petty	Not Available
STEAC	Petty	April 10, 2026
CICCS	Lewis	April 2 & 3, 2026
CRR	Duffy	April 28, 2026

### XIII. Review of Upcoming Task Force Meetings All

1. May 12/13, 2026 MACS Training and TF Meeting, OCFA – Henery
2. June 9/10 2026 TF, San Diego, SDFD – Rezende
3. July 7/8, 2026 TF, Lake Arrowhead, SBCoFD – Schuster
4. August 18/19, 2026 TF, Walnut Creek, Contra Costa Co. – MacDonald
5. September 8/9, 2026 TF, San Francisco, SFFD – D’Arcy
6. October 13/14, 2026 TF, Laguna Beach, ANA – Adams
7. November 10/11, 2026 TF, Paso Robles, SBC – Davis
8. December 7/8/9/10, 2026 TF&SC Workshop SOPS, CALFIRE - Semple

### XIV. Future Ops Team and Board of Directors Meetings All

1. April 15/16 BoD Sacramento (Mc Lellan AFB)



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2. June 10/11 Ops Team San Diego
3. July 8/9 BoD Lake Arrowhead
4. September 9/10 Ops Team San Francisco
5. October 14/15 BoD Anaheim

### **XV. Roundtable All**

1. San Francisco: Review of budget challenges.
2. Menlo Park: Vehicle license fees review, MACS 400-2 needs to be updated.
3. LA County: Review of reimbursement activities, Fleet & Aviation updates, 2 sets of turnouts per member.
4. Forest Service: Review of Wildfire and RX activity, Interim Operations, Alignment with WO and Leadership changes, Targeting preparedness and maximum resource capability.
5. BDC: Discussion of cancer prevention, staffing & facility maintenance.
6. Santa Clara Co.: Review of additional strategic acquisitions for logistics and training. Acquisition of new property near Gilroy, CA. Review of fleet decisions/planning. Hosting an upcoming meeting in Los Gatos, CA. Initiated early screening cancer initiative.
7. Anaheim: Recruiting for Subcommittees and looking for a TF replacement for Small/Med Dept's. No significant additional updates.
8. Tulare Co.: Review of Fleet and equipment challenges. 3 weeks into a new fire academy. Getting grass fires ahead of schedule in foothill locations.
9. Bishop VFD: Outline of department organization and partner VFD updates. Review if additional fleet. Many communities obtain services from the VFD without contributing financially.
10. Ventura Co.: Ops Team replacement TBA. Early cancer detection is key. New fire station in Santa Paula & Dispatch consoles.
11. Kern Co.: No significant updates.

Motion to adjourn: D'Arcy, Second Schuster