



TASK FORCE MEETING

Conference Call

July 22, 2020

Minutes

Call to order: 0900 by Kuempel

Welcome, Introductions

Members Present: Task Force

Shanna Kuempel (CNT)	Jason Serrano (BDC)	Garrett Huff (SBC)
David Gerboth (SND)	Dan Horton (VNC)	Andrew Henning (SFM)
Cathy Johnson (OES)	Ira Peshkin (KRN)	Jim Tomaselli (USFS)
Dean Zipperman (LFD)	Rob Capobianco (ORC)	Brook Spelman (Cal Fire)
Dave Brinsfield (BLM)	Michael Lilienthal (EDH)	

Members Not Present: Task Force

Jon O'Brien (LAC)

Guests:

Jim Johnstone (OES)

Shelley Dorsey (OES)

Welcome, Introductions and Logistics – Kuempel

Agenda Review and Additions – Kuempel

Review and Approval of June Draft Minutes – Kuempel

Motion: Zipperman

Second: Peshkin

Approved with corrections

Task Force Update – Kuempel

- Task Force Report - Kuempel
 - Serious Incidents Checklists approved.
 - Final POWs, Charters and Rosters submitted for Specialty Groups.
 - ICS 259 Being converted to a fillable pdf and ADA compatibility.
 - Chief D'Arcy replacing David Baldwin.

- Board of Director's - Johnstone
 - Announced the three new members. Chiefs Dan Munsey, Maurice Johnson and Jeanine Nicholson.
 - FIRIS discussion. Director Porter from Cal Fire and the State of California have chosen Technosylva. Chief Marshall is tasked with setting up a committee working group from the BoD that will come up with recommendations on how to move forward with the FIRIS product. Recommendations for the committee working group members requested to share with the Ops Team. Intent of being operational this fire season. Final recommendations by August 15, 2020.
 - Chief Capobianco to share FIRIS PowerPoint with the group.
 - Presentation given by Chief Wills from Park Services regarding his time in Australia and firefighters. The majority of the firefighters are volunteers, 60 plus years old and they have a very efficient evacuation system.
 - Bod meeting video to be shared with the Task Force for review.

- Letter of Recognition Baldwin
 - Present the letter and mug at next in person meeting.

- Travel Restrictions – Kuempel
 - Decision regarding August travel being made.
 - Send restrictions to Shanna for August travel.
 - Should have an official decision by August 1.

Cal OES Update - Johnstone

- Covid 19 impact on all agencies. Three Assistant Chiefs exposed. On self-quarantine and asymptomatic.

OLD BUSINESS/PROJECTS

CICCS – Gerboth

- Met recently in Sacramento.
- Urban Search and Rescue concentrating on bringing positions into qualification guide. Draft is completed. Swiftwater and HazMat will be included as well.
- Most of the language for other positions is staying the same.

STEAC - Baldwin

- New course curriculum approved by STEAC. Need State Board of Fire Service approval. Should be approved on August 20.
- All of the curriculum is posted on the STEAC website. All three course levels and instructor requirements are posted.

STEAC Fire Training Report - Henning

- See Appendix A

FOG ICS 420.1 2022 Revision – Johnson

- First four chapters have been reviewed without major changes. Put into its own Smartsheet.
- Track changes are on. File back in Smartsheet with date.
- On track with State Fire Training to meet deadline of October 1.
- Documents will be put in Adobe InDesign program.
- NIMS Guide uploaded.
- Comments due back by August 10.

CAD to CAD - Spelman

- Brought to the EIT Group approximately a year ago.
- White Paper that explains what a CAD system is, terminology and how to share/use it. Goes into how we can share information intelligence resources that may be going outside of their initial attack area. But may be the closest resource to suppress a fire or assist in an emergency.
- Shared with Task Force.
- Feedback is welcomed.
- Draft with comments/concerns and have as a final for next TF meeting.
- Document in Smartsheet.

Resource Typing Rehab Unit – Kuempel

- In Smartsheet.
- Project given to EMS.
- Draft with comments/concerns and have as a final for next TF meeting.

Standard Wildland Preplan Working Group – Capobianco

- In SS line 60 under POW.
- Group has been meeting once a month. Next meeting July 29.
- Survey sent out across the State. Received 120-150 replies. Results July 29.
- Deciding which data points to include, create the maps and share them.
- Director stated at April BoD that significant funding is available for this project.
- Federal, State, Local Government departments represented in the group. Technical and operational backgrounds. Room for more input from new members.

ICS 215C Contingency Form – Spelman

- Update. Task Force Report (SS Line 56)
- Being utilized with Covid 19.
- Survey to be completed after fire season use.

Predictive Services Decision Support Tools – Tomaselli

- White Paper sent out.
- RPG AND IWI process change recommendation.
- How to have a minimum standard of what we are going to use.
- Future of Intel Centers.
- Push to present to the Ops Team in September and BoD in October.

Behavior Health OSD/ICS 180 Update – Huff

- Considering a company that teaches Behavioral Health Basic Peer Support. Many classes available in Southern California.
- Not an IAFF or ICISF course.
- Behavioral Health Working Group prefers an IAFF or ICISF course.
- Discussion with the group and the company regarding future IAFF or ICISF certificate being available.
- Members on the working group/specialist group roster have retired and would like to stay on as associate advisers. Currently have a few associate advisers and more would like to join. Limiting the amount of associate advisers.
- Chief Serrano taking on the role of lead liaison. Chief Huff to be alternate.
- Sworn officers only. Conflict of interest issues.
- Would like members from Northern California.

NIMS Feedback – Kuempel

- Deadline for feedback is July 23, 2020 at 5 p.m.
- Feedback received from Chief Serrano and have been submitted.

WORK TO BE IMPLEMENTED

Specialist Group Reorganization – All

- No intention of moving Intel out of North Ops and South Ops GACC.
- Concerns need to be raised at the Ops and BoD levels.
- There will be an All Hazard Intel shop set up at the CalOES level with the intention to collaborate closely with the GACC Intel Shops.
- Funding available for an Intel Center in Sacramento.
- Predictive Services remaining a stand-alone group.
- Possible addition of a Maritime Group.
- Possibility of 12 Specialist Groups. Impacts to the Task Force discussed.
- Potential for EIT and GIS to merge.
- Org chart in Smartsheet shows what changes may look like.
- Using subcommittees in terms of subject matter expertise for merged groups.
- Curriculum development and maintenance including Strike Team Leader.
- Adjusting the amount of Task Force members. Would have to rewrite rules. Currently one vacancy. Possibly a Metro or Rural seat.
- Special Operations Specialty Group. Maritime, Technical Search & Rescue, HazMat etc.
- One to two Task Force liaisons consult with multiple groups.
- Include Specialist Group Chairs in Task Force conference calls/meetings.
- Quarterly call in with each of the groups.
- Revisit in August.

NEW BUSINESS/PROJECTS

Technical Search and Rescue OSD – All

- Operational System Description and Summary documents under Specialist Group in Smartsheet (line 6).
- Opening up the OSD.
- Combined all of the Technical Search and Rescue disciplines into one operational system description.
- Requirements and position descriptions have been added.
- Latest org chart for the Regional Task Forces and new NIMS compliant organizations for the National Teams have been added.
- Training and equipment available to reconfigure the Regional Task Forces as a

NIMS Type IV.

- Coordinating with CICC.
- Which elements are in the FOG?

ICS 256 – WUI Placard: Review Updated Numbers – Kuempel

- ADA compliant, on the website and printable.
- With the new numbering system.

DECON Unit Typing Project Add to HMSG POW – Peshkin

- Added to the HazMat Specialist POW.
- Due to the inability to meet in person, the group has been concentrating on the FOG Standard Equipment List (SEL) update.
- Aware of the DECON Unit Typing Project and it's on the POW. May end up in the FOG Revision.

Logistics Needs at Incidents White Paper – Spelman

- Suggested adding a COVID 19 paper on data being supplied at incidents.
- Plan on having more briefings and conference calls.
- Still a working document. Possibly utilize this summer with team activations Type I, II and III.
- Specific thought process on connectivity and getting the networks available to working incidents.
- Reach out to the teams to see if anyone has been keeping a log of how much data they are using. Are they using more data in the last few weeks being activated? Is there a solution? Talk to private vendors to create something to fit the needs for this summer.
- Share feedback, questions or concerns.

Cal OES Technical and Urban Search & Rescue Advisory Committee – Gerboth/Kuempel

- Update (SS line 41)
- OES put together an Urban Search & Rescue Advisory Group.
- First meeting was June 24.
- Discussion about the TS&R going forward including funding.
- Working toward being NIMS compliant.
- Putting a survey together for all the Regional Task Forces. Evaluating their training and equipment needs.
- Aviation and Rescue resources.
- Communications Specialist Group - TS&R channels need to be added to MACS 441.
- Next meeting September 3.

Fast Response Squad – Gerboth

- Multiple agencies are starting to appear.
- Should FIRESCOPE look at addressing this?
- Some are using Type VI's. Staffing with two.
- More discussion in August.

REMS Task Book, CICCIS Qualifications REML, REMH – All

- Still working through the process.

SPECIALIST AND WORKING GROUP REPORTS

- Aviation
 - Has not met since Covid started. No date for next meeting set.
- Communications
 - Will share the updated approved POW, Charter and rosters with the group. FOG revisions deadline was missing from POW.
- Behavioral Health
 - Working on establishing a roster.
 - Vice-chair and secretary interest.
- EIT
 - Working on White Papers.
 - In person meeting in San Diego cancelled.
 - When in person meetings resume will be looking at Alert Wildfire System at UC San Diego. Currently have 800 cameras.
- GIS
 - Continues to have monthly conference calls.
 - Next call scheduled for July 23.
 - Main focus for 2020 has been the development of their OSD and FOG revisions.
- HazMat
 - No in person meetings since March.
 - Updating the Rosters, Charter and POW.
- High Rise
 - Haven't met since last TF meeting.
 - Working on FOG revision.
- Safety
 - Have been meeting.
 - Added updated Rosters, Charter and POW to Smartsheet.
 - Cancer awareness and other topics.

- Predictive Services
 - Have not met since last TF meeting.
 - Have submitted documents that were requested.
- EMS
 - No update.
- UAS Working Group
 - Meeting regularly.
 - Good multi-agency collaboration.
 - Reaching out to other specialist groups for liaisons.
 - Working on training product.

REVIEW OF UPCOMING MEETINGS

Task Force

August 18-19, 2020	Dana Point – Capobianco (currently working on this)
September 22-23, 2020	San Diego – Gerboth
October 20-21, 2020	Sacramento – Baldwin
November 17-18, 2020	Monterey – Peshkin
December 8-9, 2020	Ventura - Horton

Board of Directors and Operations Team

September 23, 2020	Operations Team Conference Call
October 7-8, 2020	Board of Directors, Anaheim Fire Department

Roundtable – All

Meeting Adjourned at 1338

Appendix A

CAL FIRE – Office of the State Fire Marshal State Fire Training (SFT) Report

Statewide Training and Education Advisory Committee (STEAC) / State Board of Fire Service (SBFS) (March 2019)

- Next STEAC Meeting- October 9, 2020. [STEAC Website](#).
- Next SBFS Meeting- August 20, 2020. [SBFS Website](#).

SFT Fee Adjustment (March 2019)

- SFT is a special funded program and is funded 100% by user fees. The last fee adjustment was in 2008. SFT contracted with Sacramento State to provide an independent review of the current fees, and to set up Activity-Based Costing for the new fee structure. STEAC formed an Ad-Hoc working group to review the fee adjustment.
- The anticipated implementation of the fee adjustment is late 2020.
- Please see the [SFT Fee Report](#).

Fire Fighter 1 (2019) and Fire Fighter 2 (2019) Certification (Jan 2020)

- The [Fire Fighter 1 \(2019\)](#) and [Fire Fighter 2 \(2019\)](#) Certifications and Curriculum are available. The Certification Training Standards along with four new Course Plans have been developed based on current National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) Professional Qualifications, State Regulations and are approved by the Statewide Training and Education Advisory Committee (STEAC) and the State Board of Fire Services (SBFS).
- Agencies and stakeholders are encouraged to review the [Implementation Plan](#) and the new [Fire Fighter 1 \(2019\)](#) and [Fire Fighter 2 \(2019\)](#) web pages for more information.

Fire Fighter 1 (2013) and Fire Fighter 2 (2013) Certification (Jan 2020)

- Effective January 1, 2022, [Fire Fighter 1 \(2013\)](#) and [Fire Fighter 2 \(2013\)](#) Certifications will retire. Applicants who do not apply before this date, will be required to meet the Fire Fighter (2019) certification requirements. The Fire Fighter 2 (2019) Certification requires applicants to complete a certification exam, therefore, beginning January 1, 2022, all Fire Fighter 2 Certification applicants will be required to complete a Fire Fighter 2 Certification Exam.

Fire Fighter 2 (2013) Tenured Path (March 2020)

- The Fire Fighter 2 (2013) Tenured Path is designed for fire fighters who meet and exceed all required prerequisites, education, and training standards set forth by SFT for Fire Fighter 2 certification but do not have an SFT Fire Fighter 1 certification. The Fire Fighter 2 Tenured Path is for the experienced applicant that has not completed the Fire Fighter 1 Certification Examination and is now seeking continued professional development within the State Fire Training system.
- Agencies and stakeholders are encouraged to review the [Implementation Plan](#) and the updated [Fire Fighter 2 \(2013\) webpage](#) for more information.
- Fire Fighter 2 (2013) Tenured Path Certification retires 12/31/2021.

Proposed Curriculum in Approval Process (July 2020)

- [Behavioral Health & Cancer Awareness Curriculum Series](#)
- [Fire Control 3 Curriculum](#)
- [Rope Rescue Awareness/Operational and Technician Curriculum](#)

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