



FIROSCOPE OPERATIONS TEAM  
Conference Call Minutes  
June 11, 2020  
0900

**Welcome/Roll Call**

Richardson

Members Present: Operations Team

Walder (SPFD)	Fraley (KRN)	Gardner (VNC)
Opliger <i>interim</i> (BDC)	Poirier (LFD)	Sanchez (ORC)
Johnstone (Cal OES)	Velo (SFFD)	Minton (NPS)
Barber (RBFd)	Skelton (USFS)	Lemoine (ACF)
Bidaburu (USFA)	Kendall (CalFire)	McLaughlin (TCFD)
Farris (SBC)	Neamy (NIMS Consortium)	

Members Present: Task Force & Specialist Groups

Horton (VNC)	Johnson, C. (Cal OES)	Baldwin (SCR)
Zipperman (LFD)	Kuempel (SCFD)	O'Brien (LAC)
Huff (SBC)	Tomaselli (USFS)	Serrano (BDC)
Capobianco (ORC)	Gerboth (SND)	Brinsfield (BLM)
Spelman (CalFire)	Peshkin (KRN)	Henning (SFM)

**Agenda Review\***

Richardson

Motion: Walder  
Approved

**Review and Approval of Minutes\***

Richardson

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Motion: Kendall  
Second: Neamy  
Approved

**Task Force Report**

Kuempel

- Meeting virtually.
- 2020 Plan of Work Summary
  - FOG Revision. Dates and timelines scheduled. October deadline for Specialist Groups to present to the Task Force.

- Charters for Behavioral Health and new Specialist Groups need to be closely reviewed prior to being presented to the Ops Team and BoD.
- Restructuring of the Specialist Groups. Priority is to keep the span of control to ten Specialist Groups.

**Discussion/Approval of Task Force Documents\***

Ops Team

- Serious Accident Review Team (SART) ICS Form 259 and Instructions
  - Incident vs Accident terminology. Change name to SIRT.
  - Checklist uses Serious Accident and Fatality Incident.
  - Adding additional language to instructions regarding IWI and IC responsibility.
  - Refer to NFPA 1561.
  - After initial actions, mitigation becomes agency/incident specific for the formal investigation.
  - Will be a useful tool for the FOG.

Motion: Kendall

Second: Velo

Approved with changes as recommended.

- Specialist Group Charters, Plans of Work, & Rosters
  - 50 percent of the documents are complete. Remainder of the documents given a July 1 deadline.
  - Documents will be looked at again November 1. Review at January 2021 BoD.

Motion: Walder

Second: Barber

Approved

**Old Business**

- Critical Incident Peer Support (CIPS) Team Update Johnstone
  - Behavioral Health Working Group products of the CIPS Team was approved by the BoD.
  - Part of the White Paper's intent was to go to the NWCG Position Naming Board to get the new positions recognized in IROC. In order to mobilize all five positions, three of the five positions need to be approved by the Naming Board.
  - Presentation was given to the Naming Board as to the need of the positions.
  - Naming Board claimed that the three positions weren't necessary and that TechSpecs could be utilized instead.

- TechSpecs does not meet the intent of building into CICCIS qualifications.
  - How do we build into IROC for these all hazard positions?
  - No other opinions in place to put positions into a mobilization system besides IROC.
  - National Mutual Aid System and IROC plan to be able to communicate with each other.
  - Recommended to work through State Foresters and representative on NWCG, both for the Position Naming Board and IPSC to bring situational awareness.
- MACS Video Presentation Johnstone
    - MACS Exercises were cancelled for this year.
    - Orange County PIO Group videotaped last year's MACS Exercise at South Ops. Incorporated into the MACS Video.
    - FIRESCOPE MACS Video posted on the FIRESCOPE website.
    - Share within agencies.
- FIRESCOPE Email Document Sharing Subscription (MailChimp) Johnstone
    - Posted on front page of the FIRESCOPE website.
    - Subscription through email sign up for updates, newly approved documents, Quarterly Briefing etc...
    - Members have been automatically signed up. Share with others.
    - Will improve distribution of our work.
    - Some agencies have email security blocks. Check junk email folder and add sender to contacts.
- WUI Structure Defense Document Revision Johnstone
    - SMEs to focus on structure defense for each agency.
    - Request feedback by June 15.
    - Key FIRESCOPE document of Local, State and Federal collaboration and agreement of how we are going to safely operate on incident structures impacted.
    - Will be incorporated into the upcoming FOG revision.
    - TIER Concept and Leader's Intent to be included/updated.

## **New Business**

- Travel Restriction Update
  - Cal Fire, Ventura County, restricted to mission critical.
  - Federal agencies restricted to incident mobilization and fire preparedness functions. May change in a couple months.
  - Is there any benefit to meeting in person this year? Possibly in September with the Task Force meeting.

- Benefits of meeting in person discussed.
- Will continue to meet virtually until further notice.
- Covid Social Distancing for Wildfires
  - Los Angeles County put together a one page document for Incident Commanders that will be shared.
  - Highlights procedures to minimize exposure.
  - Area Commanders put together an additional document to provide guidance when a team is deployed.
  - Virtual briefings for small groups.
  - Sharing of information from different agencies on lessons learned website.
  - Links to documents to be include in the next Quarterly Briefing.
  - Nontraditional resources. Link to be sent out.

### **Roundtable**

### **Next Board of Director's Meeting**

July 8 & 9, 2020 Orange County Fire Authority

### **Next Meeting**

September 23, 2020

**Adjourned: 1047**

\* Denotes shared documents for discussion/approval