



**FIRESCOPE OPERATIONS TEAM
Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, March 13, 2024 1000-1200
Virtual

Welcome/Roll Call

O'Brien - Chair

Members Present: Operations Team

Ahearn (USFS)

O'Brien (LAC)

Heggstrom (Mutual Aid III)

Walder (WMR)

Goss (NPS)

Nolan (CAL FIRE)

Johnstone (OES)

Cook (VNC)

Mc Clellan (ANA)

Gerboth (SND)

Steers (KRN)

Bachmeyer (Volunteer FD)

Tuttle/Serna (Mutual Aid VI)

Nishimoto (Mutual Aid II)

Others Present: Task Force & Specialist Groups

Johnson (OES)

Brown (CNT)

St. Pierre (USFS)

Serrano (BDC)

Semple (ORC)

Roberts (LFD)

Welcome, Introductions, and Logistics – O'Brien

***Agenda Review – O'Brien**

***December 2023 Ops Team Meeting Minutes Review/Approval – O'Brien**

Motion: Cook

Second: Walder

Approved with the addition of 2024 appointed Ops Team officers

Task Force Report – Serrano

- *Draft Winter 2024 Quarterly Briefing
Motion: Gerboth
Second: Steers
Approved
- *Draft Local Government Handcrew Typing Standard/OSD
Motion: Cook
Second: Ahearn
Approved
- *Draft Private Fire Prevention Resources/AB 2380 White Paper
Tabled
- *Northern and Southern Subcommittee Participation Letter
Motion: Gerboth
Second: Steers
Approved
- *GIS Proposals and White Papers
Motion: Cook
Second: Gerboth
Approved
- *MACS 441-1 – 2024 Radio Communication Guidelines
Motion: Walder
Second: Nishimoto
Approved
- 2024 Subcommittee Plans of Work, Charter, Rosters
 - *Approved at the December 2023 Ops Team Meeting. Moving to the BoD in April 2024.
 - All 2024 plans of work, charters, and rosters have been reviewed by the TF. The TF has validated all listed work as manageable and within the scope of each subcommittee's knowledge.
- Dismounted Resource Tracking White Paper
 - *Approved at the December 2023 Ops Team Meeting. Moving to the BoD in April 2024.
 - The EIT Subcommittee has completed a white paper with recommendations for tracking dismantled resources in austere environments. This serves as an actionable step by FIRESCOPE moving towards aligning with the resource tracking provisions of the Dingell Act (DART)

- ITSU/ITSL – Update/Awareness
 - *Approved at the December 2023 Ops Team Meeting. Moving to the BoD in April 2024.
 - The EIT and Comm Subcommittees continue to advance a white paper regarding the ITSL/ITSU position development. There is consensus within the group to follow the FEMA position description. The training curriculum and task book development has been written into the 2024, EIT plan of work.

Operations Team Discussion

- May 2024 MAC Group Exercise/Region VI Meeting – South Ops Serrano/Semple
 - Review and discussion
- FOG App Revision Update and Future Plan for Printed FOG Manual - Johnstone
 - Last printing of the FOG was for 10,000 copies. Those should sell within a year.
 - Cal OES IT is working with FIREScope to update the current FOG app. We are working on a pdf version of the app that will be printable and revisable in the future for training and other purposes.
 - This new version of the app will allow quarterly updates to be made.
- NWCG Incident Medical Unit Subcommittee (IMUS) – Johnstone
 - At the CWCG meeting we addressed some of the Task Force issues and products that could have an impact to the federal IC group.
 - Movement within the IMUS group petitioning NWCG at the meeting next month in Little Rock, AR to elevate the Medical Unit Leader to a Medical Section Chief.
 - Newest effort to change the structure of command and general staff for NWCG.
 - Some California based federal ICs asked for FIREScope's opinion. The Task Force believes it is important to bring this item to the Ops Team as an informational piece and then bring it to the BoD.
 - The letter shared at today's meeting will be emailed to Ops Team/BoD members by Chief Johnstone.

Next Board of Director's Meeting

April 3-4, 2024

Williams Fire Department - Williams

Next Ops Team Meeting

June 19-20, 2024 – In Person

San Francisco Fire Department – San Francisco

Roundtable

Adjourned 1140

*Denotes shared documents to be discussed