



**TASK FORCE MEETING**

Solvang

October 13-14, 2021

Minutes

**Call to order:** 0900 October 13<sup>th</sup> by Chief Gerboth

0830 October 14<sup>th</sup> by Chief Gerboth

**Members Present:** Task Force

David Gerboth (SND)	Dennis Breshears (LAC)	Garrett Huff (SBC)
Brook Spelman (Cal Fire)	Cathy Johnson (OES)	Jason Serrano (BDC)
Dean Zipperman (LFD)	Dustin Hall (EDH)	Patrick D’Arcy (SFR)
Josh Stinnett (KRN)	Dan Horton (VNC)	

**Members Not Present:** Task Force

Matt Brown (CNT)  
Shane Sherwood (ORC)  
Andrew Henning (SFM)  
David Brinsfield (BLM)  
James Tomaselli (USFS)

**Guests:**

Shelley Dorsey (OES)  
Jim Johnstone (OES)  
David Baldwin (SCR)

## **Welcome, Introductions and Logistics – Huff**

## **Moment of Silence for Firefighters and Police Officers LODD – Gerboth**

## **Agenda Review and Additions – Gerboth**

## **Review and Approval of September Meeting Minutes – Gerboth**

Motion: Serrano

Second: Breshears

Approved with corrections

## **Task Force Update – Gerboth**

- The Ops Team met on September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Discussed the tasking of the Aviation Specialist Group. Presentation from Chief Poirier on What Three Words. Discussed the FOG revision and the 215. Behavioral Health did a presentation. Discussed UAS utilization during fire season. Gave specialist and working group reports.
- The BoD is next week. Closed session in the morning of the second day until 1000. Will do the Task Force Report on the second day and have three presentations.

## **Cal OES Update - Johnstone**

- Passing of Deputy Chief of Operations for Northern California, Vernell Brothers.
- On the 19<sup>th</sup> there will be a QRF in LA County near Malibu. Chief Fennessy extended the invitation to all of FIRESCOPE. Will be sending out the information. Everyone is welcome.
- Presently have 7 local government strike teams assigned to the Alisal Fire.

## **CSFM Report - Gerboth**

- Reminder that the 2013 Firefighter I certification retires at the end of this year. The certification needs to be applied for by the end of this year. Otherwise, they will need to take the new Firefighter I based on the 2019 exams. Also, the 2013 Firefighter II is retiring at the end of this year. The biggest issue with this is that the end of the year will be the last time that you can get a Firefighter II certification without completing certification testing. Also, the Firefighter II tenure path, retires at the end of this year. Contact Chief Henning with any questions.
- SFT has updated its course roster template. They have added an employment type data field. The student will self-select. The answer is not verified. Trying to figure out who is using the system.
- Next meeting will be November 18<sup>th</sup>.

## OLD BUSINESS/PROJECTS

### **FOG ICS 420.1 2022 – Johnson**

- Chief Johnstone created a “What’s New?” document for the FOG.
- It lists the major changes that were made in the FOG by chapter numbers.
- Will be shown to the BoD but Does not need to be approved by the BoD.
- Has already been sent to State Printing.
- On track for the printed version to be ready for distribution in January 2022.
- FOG app contract is in the final processes. App to be ready at the same time as the printed version.
- There is a request for pictures to replace the old ones that are currently in the app. Need about 3-5 pictures from each specialist group. Must be non-royalty photos and they will need to receive them by November 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **Specialist/Working Group Reorganization, MACS Documents - All**

- Started working on the MACS documents updates.
- Would like to send out for review.
- Discussed adding a next level, the subcommittee level. Discussed the verbiage and how to clearly define them.

### **Behavioral Health Suggested Links – Serrano**

- Recording inaudible.

### **Standard Wildland Preplan Working Group – Gerboth/Sherwood**

- Chief Sherwood is the new liaison for the group.

### **ICS 215C Contingency Form Numbering – Spelman**

- No issues with the content. The document would remain the same.
- Currently working with a contractor to make the form ADA compliant and fillable.
- A link to the non-fillable form was put into the Quarterly Briefing which is posted on the website.
- FIRESCOPE has been invited to be a part of the NIMS Coordination Group Sub-group. There are six different sub-categories.

### **Wildland Technology Update (1000 Hours) – Damian Guilliani**

- A presentation was given by Damian Guilliani from the Encinitas Fire Department.

### **DECON Unit Typing Project – Stinnett**

- Met in September.

### **UAS Working Group/UAS Update – Huff/Spelman**

- No report.

### **REMS Working Group – Gerboth**

- Continuing to work on the ICS 223. Making good progress.
- Last meeting was cancelled due to deployment.

### **CICCS/ Qualification Guide – Gerboth**

- Draft qualifications guide has been sent out to the group.
- Didn't receive much feedback on it. Made a couple of corrections in the guide. There were some questions about the classes.

### **Behavioral Health Position Mnemonics - Serrano**

- Waiting on the signed letter from the BoD.

### **Air Operations BoD Tasking Update – Huff**

- No report.

### **Marijuana Cultivation Safety Guidelines – Zipperman**

- Working on updating the PowerPoint.
- Working on a safety bulletin.

### **EIT, Blue Force, Tracking – Spelman**

- Nothing new to report.

### **ICS Foundations Course Reference guide – Gerboth**

- Document was sent out to the group. A few comments came back.
- The US Fire Administration Technical Assistance Program Lead for the All-Hazard Incident Management Team Program put together with other subject matter experts, a document, defining Standardized Performance Capability Metrics for Incident Management Teams Based on Resource Typing Levels.
- In the process of trying to move it over to the FEMA side, and issue it through FEMA. When that happens, they will do a 21-day comment period. When the comment period is open, Chief Gerboth will let the group know. Will address all hazard not just wildland fire.

### **FIRESCOPE/NCG – Gerboth/Spelman**

- Spoke with Jeff Soule, the United States Fire Administration Type III Team Coordinator. He is pushing to get FIRESCOPE on the parent group of the coordinating group.

## **NEW BUSINESS/PROJECTS**

### **Abandoned Building Security – Stinett**

- No report.

### **Bios, Letters of Support – All**

- Work on submitting/updating these and have them ready for the next meeting.

### **First Net Response Operations Group – Brinsfield**

- Western Fire Chiefs have been approached by Cal Chiefs, and other groups in California about the utilization of First Net.
- Pushing to use First Net throughout California.
- An operations group has been formed to help promote First Net. Asked for a representative from the FIRESCOPE. The Communication Specialist Group

- selected Tim McGuire to be the representative.
- Went over the letter received from Chief Roper.

### **FIRESCOPE Quarterly Briefing – Gerboth**

- Went over the latest Quarterly Briefing.

### **October BoD Agenda – Gerboth**

- Next BoD meeting is on the 20<sup>th</sup> of October in Anaheim.
- Reviewed the agenda for the BoD.
- Task Force will be giving three presentations.

## **SPECIALIST AND WORKING GROUP REPORTS**

### **Aviation**

- Will get the report from Chief Huff and Chuck McFarland.

### **Behavioral Health**

- Has not met since the last Task Force meeting.
- Working on task books for three positions.
- Waiting for a support letter for the positions.

### **Cad to Cad**

- Received names of some potential group members.
- Task Force was directed to re-send their selections for group members.

### **EIT**

- Has not met since the last Task Force meeting.
- Looking at force tracking.
- Working on connectivity.
- For 2022 would like to become standards and not so much a research forum. Would like to find things that are already out there so that they can create standards for California.

### **EMS**

- Met at the end of September.
- Working on the S223 updates. Estimated completion is March 2022.
- Still working on the ICS 701 revisions.

### **GIS**

- Met virtually on September 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Main focus of the group is the GISS OSD document. Had some formatting issues.
- Doing a survey to choose a date for their fall in person meeting.

### **Hazmat**

- Had a Teams meeting.
- Been working on revising and modifying the SEL.

### **High Rise**

- No report

### **Maritime**

- Working on Charter and POW.
- Will be choosing a chair and vice-chair.

- Working on setting up a calendar of meetings.
- Will be meeting on Thursday via Teams.

**Predictive Services**

- Has not met since the last Task Force meeting.
- Need to replace the chair of the group.
- Trying to set up a meeting for December.

**Safety**

- Added solar panels to the Plan of Work. Will have major improvements after their December meeting. Currently is in a draft training bulletin format.
- Discussed the definition of an IWI.

**STEAC**

- Had their quarterly Zoom meeting last Friday.
- Four departments had their ALA re-accredited.
- SFT office is moving downtown to the new resource building next month. Phone numbers will change. Will be sending out an updated list. Will be receiving mail through a P.O. Box. Parking is an issue at the new location, and it is expensive. There will be a walk-up window.
- Structural Collapse update. The cadre continues to meet. They have a meeting scheduled for next week.

**Technical Search & Rescue**

- Still waiting on the OSD.

**UAS**

- No report.

**Wildland Pre-fire**

- No report.

**Review of Upcoming Task Force Meetings – All**

November 9-10, 2021	Sacramento/El Dorado Hills - Hall
December 14-15, 2021	Ventura - Horton

**2022 Meeting Schedule – Gerboth**

January 25-27, 2022	Pismo Beach (With Ops Team) - Huff
February 8-9, 2022	Dana Point - Sherwood
March 8-9, 2022	Lake Tahoe (North Shore) - Brown
April 11-12, 2022	North Ops – MACS Exercises - Johnson
May 10-11, 2022	South Ops – MACS Exercises – Spelman/Tomaselli
June 7-9, 2022	San Francisco (With Ops Team) – D’Arcy
July 12-13, 2022	Lake Arrowhead - Serrano
August 9-10, 2022	San Diego - Gerboth
September 13-14, 2022	Ventura - Horton
October 18-19, 2022	Solvang - Huff
November 15-16, 2022	El Dorado Hills - Hall
December 13-14, 2022	Los Angeles – Zipperman/Breshears

**Future Ops Team and Board of Director's Meetings – All**

Ops Team Meeting	Virtual	December 15, 2021 (After TF Meeting)
BoD Meeting	El Dorado Hills	January 12-13, 2022
Ops Team Meeting	Virtual	January 26-27, 2022

**ROUNDTABLE**

**Meetings Adjourned at 1507 on Day 1 and 1059 on Day 2.**