



State Fire Marshal

California Incident Command Certification System Task Force

Meeting Notes January 7, 2008
McClellan, CA

Attendance:

Dennis Baldrige-US Forest Service
Bob Bell-US Forest Service
Art Bishop-Apple Valley FD
Bob Doyle-Glendale FD
Nick Duvally-LA County FD
Mike Esparza-Riverside City FD/State Board of Fire Services
Bill Frankel-Camp Pendleton FD
Bill Holmes-CALFIRE AEU
David Powell-OES
Mike Richwine-State Fire Training
Scott Vail-OES

Announcements:

Updates of last meetings:

The November 2007 State Board of Fire Services meeting was postponed because of fire activity in Southern CA. This was the meeting where the Task Force was going to request a change from the 2000 310-1 to the 2006 310-1. We will ask for this change at the February meeting of the SBFS. The next meeting of the FIREScope BOD is on January 9, 2008 and the highlights of this meeting will be presented by Kim Zagaris.

PACE 5

Mike Richwine suggested that the CICCS Task Force become the PACE 5 Committee which reviews the ICS 500-600 level positions. The Task Force membership has the composition that the PACE 5 requires, as well as, the knowledge of peer review, qualifications and certifications. The Task Force

agreed to this if the SBFS is in agreement. There are a number of applications currently waiting review by the PACE 5 Committee.

Frequently Asked Questions

The Task Force reviewed the draft revised FAQ's. There was discussion on instructor qualifications. We agreed to add additional questions to cover that and additional questions. This document will be updated frequently as changes to CICCIS occur and posted on the FIRESCOPE and State Fire training websites.

Skills Crosswalk

The Task Force members reviewed the Skills Crosswalk (Wildland training for Structural Firefighters) developed by the National Fire Administration and the National Wildland Fire Coordinating Group. The TF thought that we are already meeting the intent with the Equivalency Matrix but we should do further analysis. The group recommends further review when time permits but there are more important tasks to accomplish in the time available.

California Qualifications System

The TF members reviewed the administrative section of the draft CA Incident Qualifications System Guide. The draft guide is a combination (i.e.... rip-off of the good stuff) of the Cal Fire 4039 Handbook, the NWCG 310-1, the Kern County Qualifications Manual and the Forest Service 5109.17 Handbook. Additions to the current draft include definitions of complexity to be used in maintaining qualifications (using NFPA 1026) need to be in the appendix and Type 3 Team definition on page 11.

Because of the size of the project it was agreed to have a 2-3 day workshop to work on completing the System Guide April 28-30 at McClellan.

State Board of Fire Services Meeting

At the next State Board of Fire Services Meeting 3 topics need to be covered. The first is the PACE 5 recommendation. Second is to address the need to change to the 2006 310-1. This has been brought up before so this meeting is the final approval. Third, the Board requested a presentation on the differences between the 310-1, Cal Fire 4039 and our draft CA Quals System Guide. Scott and Nick will work on this. Scott is unavailable for the meeting and will ask Mike Esparza and Steve Brown to take forward.

Stabilization of the Task Force

How do we maintain momentum of the Task Force if there are changes in membership which will be coming with retirements, changes in assignments, etc...Mike Richwine suggested that He and Scott Vail get another meeting together with Kate Dargan and Kim Zagaris to look at some alternatives and bring them to the workshop in April.

Next Meeting

Workshop and meeting on 4/28-30 at McClellan.
(while those days were good with the group in attendance alternate dates were suggested of 5/5-6)