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GES FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING OF MARCH 21, 1985  
GES HEADQUARTERS  
SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

### M I N U T E S O F M E E T I N G

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Bill Powell, Chairman - Chief, Sacramento Fire Department  
Don Manning - Chief, Los Angeles City Fire Department  
John Englund - Chief, Los Angeles County Fire Department  
Loren Pettis - Chief, Montclair F. D. and Monte Vista F. P. D.  
Dick Franklin - Bureau of Land Management for Pat Kidder  
Ben Brown - Chief, Rio Linda Fire Protection District  
James Wait - Deputy Director, State Fire Marshal for Ron Bogardus  
William Maxfield - Chief, Contra Costa County Fire Department  
Jerry Larson - Deputy Director, Department of Forestry for Jerry Partain  
Richard Montague - Director, Aviation & Fire, U.S.F.S. for Zane Smith

#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT

Chris Cameron - Regional Fire Coordinator, National Park Service  
Don Parker - Chief, Lakeshore Fire Protection District

#### SPECIAL ADVISORS

Brian Hatch - Director, Federated Fire Fighters' Association  
Harry Steimer - General Manager, California State Firemen's Association

#### OTHERS PRESENT

Dick Ernest - Regional Chief (Region II)  
R. Blair Springer - Senator Campbell's Office  
Gary Todd - Regional Chief (Region III)  
Jim Dykes - Assistant Chief, Dept. of Forestry  
Dick Barrows - Chief, GES Fire and Rescue Division  
William Medigovich - Director, Office of Emergency Services

Al Lockhart - Assistant Director, Office of Emergency Services  
Jim Watkins - Chief, OES Preparedness Division  
Art Moncrief - Los Angeles County Fire Depr.  
Gene Bach - Ranger in Charge, Depr. of Forestry, OES Sonoma Area  
Ray Miraglia - Asst. Chief, Contra Costa Fire District  
Mike Scherr - Deputy Chief, OES Fire and Rescue Division, So. Calif.  
Senator William Campbell - State Legislature  
Jerry Haleva - Senator Campbell's Office

#### OPENING REMARKS

The meeting was called to order at 0915 hours. Mr. William Medigovich opened with welcoming remarks about the new computers, the earthquake campaign (noting that the private sector has contributed over \$900,000) and his appreciation of the fire services support for this campaign. He mentioned Chief Don Manning's appointment to the Governor's Emergency Council and informed the Committee of the purpose of the newly formed Governor's Emergency Operations Executive Council. He also noted the CSTI transition to OES is almost complete, and he would like John Mirolla, the Director of CSTI, to give a briefing to this Committee in the future.

Chairman Powell asked everyone to introduce themselves.

#### REVIEW OF AGENDA

It was decided to put the programs scheduled for the afternoon first and the business after lunch.

#### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

IT WAS MOVED BY CHIEF KEN BROWN, SECONDED BY CHIEF LOREN PETTIS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING BE APPROVED AS THEY STAND.

#### COMPUTER AIDED DISASTER MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE SYSTEM (CADMAS)

A videotape was shown about this system set up as a pilot program in Knox, Australia. It was noted that this program is very similar to our FIRESCOPE Program.

#### EARTHQUAKE PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

Chief Don Manning briefed the Committee on the efforts of the Los Angeles City Fire Department to prepare city employees and their families in the event of a major earthquake. A videotape was shown. They expect this phase to be completed by the end of the year. The second phase would consist of educating all the citizens.

## EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PROCEDURES FOR MULTI-CASUALITY INCIDENTS

Chief Art Moncrief, Los Angeles County Fire Department, explained that these new procedures are built around the ICS that is already in place and deals mainly with emergency medical services. They have established Hospital Emergency Response Teams (HERT). The basic premises of the plan include:

1. Agency recognition of the mutual aid agreements.
2. Organizational structure.
3. Medical strike teams consisting of MICU's EMT II's, and a leader.
4. Triage tags for standardization of information.
5. Medical caches in strategic locations throughout the area. The caches will include vest and flags for easy identification of personnel and areas. John Englund mentioned that public service groups could be called upon to donate these caches which run about \$4,000 each.

Chief Moncrief is currently presenting this concept to groups for use as a whole or in part. It is hoped a statewide plan will eventually be developed.

A videotape was shown of an exercise in Los Angeles County that coordinated 40 different organizations and showed how this concept could be applied in actual situations.

There was a question about whether anything was being coordinated through OES's medical annexes on the state level similar to this. Chief Barrows pointed out that there are other state departments responsible for such planning such as Department of Health and EMSA.

It was noted that even though the medical community in Los Angeles has been very receptive, there are problems expanding this statewide in the following areas:

1. Legal problems with transporting patients from one county to another such as who pays the bill.
2. Lack of standardized training for EMTs, making it difficult to have them work in other counties. Discussion followed that pointed out the need to have some statewide legislation adopted to eliminate this problem. Chief Powell suggested the April 18 exercise would be a good opportunity to point out the need for this legislation.

More information about this program can be obtained from Chief Moncrief through the Los Angeles County Fire Department. Copies of the videotape can be arranged through the Beverly Hills Fire Department.

## NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SUBCOMMITTEE

Jim Dykes presented the group with the implementation strategy recommendations derived from the subcommittee meeting of February 21 which include:

1. Working group needs to be appointed for Northern California.
2. Policies and procedures need to be identified and presented.
3. Boundaries need to be set.

Discussion followed about how soon this subcommittee could get started; but funding for travel expenses needed to be clarified--would OES pay travel expenses? If not, membership might be curtailed. Chairman Powell will have OES get back to him about the funding question before he sends letters out to the representatives.

It was decided the task of this committee today would be (1) to accept the draft of the proposal and (2) to select the chairman of this subcommittee. Dick Montague suggested that an additional federal representative be added (one from the Interior and one from Agriculture).

IT WAS MOVED BY CHIEF WILLIAM MAXFIELD, SECONDED BY CHIEF JOHN ENGLOND AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY TO AMEND THE DRAFT TO INCLUDE ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND ONE REPRESENTATIVE FROM THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

IT WAS MOVED BY CHIEF DON HANNING, SECONDED BY CHIEF WILLIAM MAXFIELD AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY TO ACCEPT THE DRAFT AS AMENDED.

IT WAS MOVED BY CHIEF KEN BROWN, SECONDED BY CHIEF LOREN PETTIS AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY THAT OES WILL CALL THE FIRST MEETING AND THE MEMBERSHIP WILL ELECT THEIR OWN CHAIRMAN FROM THE GROUP.

Question was asked regarding clerical and general staff support to the subcommittee. Chief Barrows stated OES was committed to provide that assistance. The question was also raised as to financial support for committee travel expenses. Chief Barrows stated OES could not afford that on a continuing basis, but might be able to support the initial meeting. Chairman Powell asked Chief Barrows to confirm that as soon as possible.

It was decided to get the representatives appointed by April 30 and the first meeting held before the end of May so they can report back to the Committee by their June meeting.

## CSTI CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

Jim Wait (SFM) reported a subcommittee had selected two members for the CSTI Curriculum Committee. They are: Tom Fierrabend and William Zeman. The names will be submitted to Mr. Medigovich.

IT WAS MOVED BY CHIEF WILLIAM MAXFIELD SECONDED BY CHIEF JERRY LETSON AND APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY TO ACCEPT THESE TWO MEN AS REPRESENTATIVES TO THE CSTI CURRICULUM COMMITTEE.

#### SENATOR CAMPBELL

Senator William Campbell dropped in and commented that his Committee on Fire, Police, Disaster and Emergency Services is very supportive of the FIRESCOPE Program and not to hesitate to call upon his office for any assistance.

#### EARTHQUAKE TASK FORCE MEMBERSHIP

Eight people were nominated. They were: Dr. Charles Scawthorn, Chief John Englund, Chief Don Manning, Chief Emmet Condon, Chief Fredrickson, Chief William Maxfield, Chief Al Faoro and Chief Gerald Newcomb. Votes were written down. When the final tally was taken, the following were the five appointed: Dr. Charles Scawthorn, Chief John Englund, Chief Don Manning, Chief Emmet Condon and Chief Fredrickson. It was decided that these people did not necessarily have to attend the task force meetings themselves, that a representative would be find. However, should any of these turn down the nomination, the next person on the list would be contacted.

#### NORTHERN COMPUTER SYSTEM

Chief Barrows reported the computer system is in and running. A survey is back from the regional coordinators and they are getting ready to hook up with them.

#### ORTHOPHOTO MAPPING PROGRAM

Chief Barrows wants to look into more sophisticated equipment to tie orthophoto mapping into the computer system. Bob Gerber is the new Statewide Orthophoto Mapping Coordinator. He is currently working on contracts for overflights of Southern California, finishing up a map book for Ventura County, looking into map book for Santa Barbara County, Bay Area overflights; and will also do the Sacramento area which hasn't been done since 1970. The Division is in the process of buying storage cabinets and setting up an inventory of map negatives. Between now and July 1, Bob will be doing all the above and a generic brochure on orthophoto mapping.

## OPEN DISCUSSION

### Fire Equipment

Senator Marks' office has been contacted about the inability of local jurisdictions to obtain fire equipment. Supposedly, there is legislation being drafted to set up a state account which would allow local jurisdictions to purchase fire equipment with state assistance. It is now a program where OES might do the following:

1. Attempting to identify surplus equipment throughout the state which can be purchased by local jurisdictions.
2. Find equipment OES can refurbish and turn back to local jurisdictions at cost.
3. Allow jurisdictions to buy equipment out right.
4. Aid local jurisdictions in exchanging equipment.

OES was not prepared to do an analysis of the first bill. Chief Barrows wants to know if this Committee agrees with the concept.

It as brought up that it might be possible to use inmates to recondition the equipment, although it is a sensitive issue at this point. This Committee would also figure out who the needy are. Committee agreed with concept.

### Communications Satellite

Chief Gary Todd asked about getting a satellite system set up in California for emergency communications. Mr. Medigovich stated that Don Irwin could best answer that question, but he is ill. Mr. Medigovich does know that OES has been talking with various companies about the use of satellite time. He stated OES was also looking into dual use of the lottery computers.

Senator Campbell and others toured Fire and Rescue Division's Computer Room where a demonstration was conducted by Ray Manzo, Data Processing Manager.

### NEXT MEETING

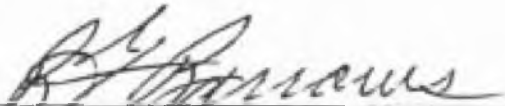
The date of June 27, 1985, was agreed upon. Chief Barrows advised there might be a "social gathering" following in the evening. Members might want to plan their time accordingly.

Meeting was adjourned at 1515 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM POWELL, CHAIRMAN  
Chief, Sacramento Fire Dept.

BY



R. G. BARROWS, Ex Officio  
Vice Chairman and Secretary  
Chief, Fire & Rescue Division