

# FIRESCOPE HAZMAT SPECIALIST GROUP

## Meeting Minutes

June 10, 2011

Present: Brad Haldeman, Jeff Adney, Steve Baker, Steve Byers (6/11), Steve Carrick (6/10), Jan Dunbar, Mike Garcia (6/11) & Bill Taylor

Next meeting: September 3, 2014 - 1300hours @ HazMat Continuing Challenge Rm 119

### **1300 Roundtable**

Jeff Adney –

- No significant HazMat calls to report.
- Modesto Regional Fire Authority will be dissolving 7/1/14 going back to the original 3 entities (City of Modesto Fire, Salida Fire Protection District & Stanislaus County Office of Emergency Services). Modesto Fire will be providing fire protection services to Salida through a contract for services. Additionally Modesto Fire, Stanislaus Consolidated Fire, Ceres Fire and Turlock Fire have been training in preparation for a boundary drop agreement that will roll out soon.

Steve Carrick –

- A recent HazMat Call at Hilmar Cheese was not too significant but plant employees gave conflicting product information to responders. The call reinforced his concerns for needed training with new person in charge of HazMat at the plant.
- Castle Airport may soon start having DC 10s flying in and out.

Steve Baker and Bill Taylor –

- Reports from HazMat calls included
  - Utilization of cameras on drone worked well to survey the scene of a chlorine gas incident.
  - Ventura County HazMat conducted a stinger operation on a roll over incident that required drilling 4 compartments. They warned that we all need to educate police and clean up companies that Fire/HazMat stinger operations are for incidents that pose a threat to the public and the environment (If it is stable it's for a clean up company).
  - A recent call on HWY 126 that involved creosote treated wood has prompted them to do research on exposure thresholds and proper PPE for creosote.
  - Ventura County HazMat just received 12 new encrypted radios with 3 channels.
  - Ventura County HazMat is sending members to the Colorado Rail Training.
- Ventura County Employees are fighting a plan convert them to 401K retirement system for all new employees.

Jan Dunbar –

- Sadly reported that Kelly Seitz former Santa Clara County Fire Department, UASI, & FIRESCOPE HazMat Leader continues to suffer from declining health issues.

- Reported that Sacramento Fire recently discovered that the Benicia Refineries have been storing and off loading bakken crude from rail on to trucks at McClelland.
- Chief Dunbar informed the group that CAL OES is looking into the possibility of equipping Volunteer HAZMAT Teams in areas of need.

Mike Garcia –

- The Chief informed the group of a 4 hour presentation on honey oil fires in Long Beach and mentioned that the presenter from Colorado allows student to take his power point back to their departments.

Brad Haldeman –

- Orange County Fire Authority is sending personnel to the Colorado Rail Training.
- General update related to the workgroup

#### 1400

Bakken Crude Discussion

- Handouts from Steve and Bill
- Discussion on who can give accurate info on the product transported on the rail (**The producer not the rail company**).
- Discussion on the ICS weakness that exists in the Rail Industry.

#### 1450

Break

#### 1530

Approved minutes from previous meeting

#### 1535

Lesson Plan review and discussions

- The group agreed to use the CSTI Lesson Plans. The group will review the CSTI Lesson Plans before submitting them to the Taskforce for approval. Additional work needs to be done to determine the format (CSTI or SFT).

#### 1600

ICS Positions Manuals

- Brad showed Shanna's rewrite of the Group Supervisor as an example
- Rewrite work was divided up
  - Steve & Bill – ASO & Decon
  - Jeff – Tech Ref
  - Steve Carrick – Entry
  - Brad – Site Access

**1630**

Chat Room discussion

- Bill brought up the question / idea of a secure chat room for discussion on equipment and calls.
- Brad to check with Chief Darbro on the possibility of tying the idea to the log in feature on the FIRESCOPE web site.

**1639**

Adjourned for the day

**0802**

6/11/14 continuation of meeting

**0810**

Byers shared previous work on manuals to Brad on a thumb drive.

**0815**

Discussion on adding Mass Decon to the Instructor Manuals.

- Brad to check with Chief Darbro on the wishes of the Taskforce.

**0820**

Discussion on prior work on the Instructor Manuals

- Byers to share previous workgroup list from Instructor Manuals to Brad.
- Byers offered help to all on wire diagrams.

**0830**

Chief Dunbar noted that the OSD needs to be updated and approved by the Taskforce.

**0835**

Discussion on CICCIS and the possibility of future impacts related to HazMat.

**0840**

Chief Dunbar brought SEL items for discussion

- Camera 8.1.16 - After discussion the group agreed to edit the description wording on the SEL by removing the laser point and UL standard requirement.

- PCB 1.2.3 – Group agreed to edit the wording to must meet capability.
- Replacement Glove 6.1.1/2 – discussion and agreement that gloves and boots may either be tested and labeled individually or as an ensemble.

**1000**

Discussion on FIRESCOPE participation in the 2014 Continuing Challenge.

- Brad to get Taskforce approval.

**1022**

December meeting date set for 12/10/14 @ CAL OES Headquarters.

**1040**

Discussion on hosting CSTI TECH /SPEC Class.

**1050**

Meeting recap

**1100**

Meeting Adjourned

Approved minutes: Shanna Kuempel moved to approve, Tony Durran Second