

OPERATIONS TEAM MEETING

Proposed Agenda

10/12 & 13/77

October 12

1. Modeling slide show
2. Task Force recommendations
Training
Communication (including intercom system)
3. ICS evaluation form and recommendations
4. Operational system contract - FY 78.

October 13

1. Planning and Operational conflicts
2. "Option levels" discussion
3. OCC functions review
4. OCC position
5. Auto weather stations - reporting demonstration

Attendance

October 12

Irwin, Schori, Millar, Borden, Barrows, Barlow, Mills, Smith, Metcalfe, Dame, Scherr, Philpot.

1. Slide/Tape Program on modeling by Van Gelder/Sanderlin/Area 16 productions was presented by Irwin. Program involved basic FIRESCOPE facts and computer requirements in fire modeling and information storage, i.e., data banks, resource data.

DISCUSSION

- a. Initial Attack Assessment and RESTAT program on G. E. Time Share? At high cost for 90 days. To see if it warrants further use on G. E. or on own computers.
- b. Cost effectiveness must be looked at to determine levels and hardware and software in regards to fire modeling.
- c. Recent fires demonstrate need for a more fulfilling IR program. Early detection, more IR units, etc.

2. Task Force Report

- a. New Task Force chairman M. Scherr, October-December. Alternate chairman is George Lund.
- b. New Task Force member from Ventura County is George Lund.

3. Training

- a. Recommendation by Task Force to Operations Team to have training group and Task Force work with SDC to develop training materials (lesson guides). This will require agency commitment or have training officer 1 day per week to work with SDC for approximately 2 months.
- b. Formal notification of Task Force to meeting (11-8) from Operations Team not necessary as each agency will handle internally except L. A. County. Irwin will talk with Chief Bragdon. Meeting will identify work projects (lesson guides, ICS and MAC training) relationships, commitments, goals, objectives, to group structure, and will be lead by SDC (Terry Haney) with Task Force support.
- c. Operations Team stresses joint training whenever possible with all agencies, but recognize that some training is individual by agency.

4. Communications

- a. \$85,000.00 of FY 78 implementation monies identified. "Radios" does not necessarily mean just radios. Already \$15,000.00 of these monies is being committed to the intercom system to link agencies and OCC on the microwave.
- b. \$85,000.00 total
\$15,000.00 intercom
 - 1. BCS-50 telecon (Comm 6) \$18,000.00.
 - 2. Upgrade cache(s) (FS and/or FIREMARS) new repeater \$3,000.00 each.
 - 3. 50 watt synth, radios (key agency) \$9,000.00 each.
- c. Microwave relay to telco?

- d. 9-27 Task Force meeting
 - Comm 6
 - Changes and additions
 - Comm 3
- e. Intercom \$15,000.00

**5. Operations Team agrees program office, Task Force and communications group will make decision on the expenditures for the above recommended items.

Need to address the responsibility for repair and maintenance of communication equipment, electronic hardware purchased during P.I.E. and later.

Current responsibilities for repair and maintenance:

6. COMM 3, COMM 6	OES/MIX
IR - 1	OES/FS
FIREMARS	OES/MIX
FLIR	LA County
BIFC CACHE	FS
OCC	FS/CDF/OES/STATE LEGISLATURE/MIX

Alternatives for maintenance:

1. Everybody maintains own
2. Everybody pays OES to maintain
3. Each partner assumes responsibility for some part
 - by geography
 - primary ownership
 - by agreement
4. During P.I.E. year program has responsibility
5. Contract for maintenance

1978 should be handled by each partner with primary ownership and/or by agreement for maintenance.

Now: State technicians responsible for State.
Forest Service technicians responsible for Forest Service.
Other agencies responsible for own radios.

Cost sharing for maintenance/repair should be addressed but probably cannot come to grips with this now.

7. Introduced ICS Evaluation Document

Discussed its development and use.

Document is to be part of documentation system and be part of FIRESCOPE documents with a publication number.

Operations Team accepted document.

8. Contract with SDC written giving them procedures. RFP to SDC out this week. RFP when returned will be received and negotiated.

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Discussed letter to Larry Richey from Irwin, dated October 12, 1977, regarding computer hardware and software systems.

Discussion regarding terminals to agencies.

Goal: Increase participation

Objective:

- a. Increase interaction (partner agencies), communications, and use of FIREMOD, FIRECAST, RESSUM.

Intercom

Procedures and dispatch training

- b. Test IAA and advance RESTAT.

- c. Apply IAA and RESTAT if ok.

Task Force and Irwin will get together to develop a statement on "where are we now?" for next Operations Team meeting.

Irwin to mail 1975 Task Force paper on decisions to be made and their impacts to Operations Team.

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Operations Team agreed to have Task Force make more decisions, increase their authority and responsibility to a higher level to release Operations Team to do other work.

Sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000.00) that was to go to agencies for Task Force may be used elsewhere. Alternatives needed from Operations Team if they would give up their \$10,000.00.

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