

OPERATIONS TEAM MEETING  
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY  
REGION VI CONFERENCE ROOM

DECEMBER 19, 1985

In Attendance: M. Scherr, OES (Chairman) J. Farrel, ORC  
R. Manzo, OES (Minutes) M. Sellers, VNC  
J. Bryant, USFS F. Borden, LFD  
D. Driscoll, CDF D. Perry, SBC  
J. Linder, OES (Guest) P. Delaney, LAC  
K. Boyd, LAC (Task Force) J. Smith, OES (Guest)  
M. Barrows, USFS, (Guest) R. Peterson, SBC (Guest)  
G. Newcombe, San Bernardino G. Wayne, CDF (Guest)  
(Guest)

I. Introductions and Previous Minutes.

- A. G.Wayne (CDF) informed the Operations Team of the appointment of Jim Dykes as Chief of Region VI Headquarters. The appointment becomes effective January 1, 1986.
- B. The CALFIRMS members were unable to make the meeting because of weather problems.
- C. Minute Changes of November 19, 1985 are as follows.

Page 2, item IIC, second paragraph- "J. Newcombe SBO" will be changed to read "G. Newcombe (BDO)".

Page 3, item IIIB - "Board of Directors" will be changed to read "Operations Team". Also, in the second sentence - "but since we have" will be changed to read - "but since we do not have".

D. Driscoll (CDF) moved that the minutes of the November 19, 1985 Meeting be accepted as ammended. D.Perry seconded the motion and all approved.

II. Task Force Report

A. Lesson Plan Review

K. Boyd (LAC) reported the Document Unit Leader, Mobilization Unit Leader, Air Tanker Coordinator, Equipment Manager, Safety Officer, Air Support Supervisor, Resource Unit Leader, and Ground Support Unit Leader Lesson Plans have been reviewed and are ready for use.

## B. Certs and Quals

M. Barrows (USFS) was present to give the group detailed information on the process by which NWCG 310-1 was created. He mentioned this document was originally derived from the ICS original proposed Certs and Quals.

D. Driscoll (CDF) recommended the NWCG be approached on the subject of revising the terminology to reflect ICS terminology in NWCG 310-1. He feels this would make 310-1 a more acceptable document for FIREScope.

M. Barrows (USFS) also emphasized the idea of contacting or making NWCG aware of the actions FIREScope is taking concerning NWCG 310-1. He asked that all requested or proposed changes to NWCG 310-1 be submitted to NWCG for their consideration, making them aware of FIREScope's desire to accept the document if amended to honor FIREScope changes.

A motion was made by D. Driscoll (CDF) to adopt NWCG 310-1 Certs and Quals, with direction to the Task Force to identify and recommend appropriate title changes for those positions that do not currently conform to ICS position titles. It was also recommended these recommendations be made available by the next Operations Team Meeting. P. Delaney (LAC) seconded the motion and seven members voted in favor, LFD opposed.

D. Driscoll (CDF) motioned that the Task Force identify and report on all position titles in the Incident Command System that may be required to have minimum Certs and Quals in NWCG 310-1. M. Sellers (VNC) seconded the motion and all approved.

M. Scherr (OES) is to prepare a draft letter to be sent to the Fire Advisory Board from the FIREScope Board of Directors addressing the need for a Delivery System and certification of instructors for ICS training, including a copy of the December 4, 1984, letter from the Operations Team to Ronald Bogardus (SFM) for Board of Directors edification. Further recommendations were made to invite the State Fire Marshal to the next Board of Directors Meeting.

There were changes recommended to the cover letter of the December 4, 1984, letter to the State Fire Marshal, these changes were:

Change "the Implementation Plan" to "the FIREScope Implementation Plan".

Add the words "in the Incident Command System" to the sentence numbered 1.

Finally, change the word "inquiry" in the third paragraph to "request".

C. Development of Finance Section Positions

A letter from K. Boyd (Task Force Chairman) to M. Scherr (Operations Team Chairman) requesting direction for the Task Force to assist in the development of the Finance Section Positions was handed out.

J. Bryant (USFS) then motioned that the Task Force be allowed to assist in the development of Finance Section Positions and Lesson Plans. Also that a Finance Section Working Group be formed and hold a meeting prior to February 1, 1986.

D. Air Operations Forms

K. Boyd (Task Force Chairman) handed out copies of a letter to M. Scherr (Operations Team Chairman) requesting adoption and use of Air Operations Forms during the 1986 Fire Season. It was explained these forms are currently being utilized by a few air bases.

A motion by D. Perry (SBC) was made requesting that Goleta, Ryan, and Paso Robles Air Bases continue to utilize the form for Fixed Wing Aircraft, and LAC to utilize it for Helibase operations. An information collection point would then be designated so the evaluation of the forms could be made. R. Manzo (OES) and SBNF will meet and work together on getting the automated version of the form transferred to the FIREScope Computer. The Task Force will also develop instructions for the use of the form by mid April 1986. P. Delaney (LAC) seconded the motion and all approved.

E. Regional Mobilization Form

The subject of adding a "NAME" field to the Regional Mobilization Form was brought up and discussed. K. Boyd (Task Force Chairman) expressed a concern as to the validity of the "NAME" field on the form. After a brief discussion the overall feeling of the group was the "NAME" field is necessary and would be included on the form. This form would also be included in the MACS Form System.

D. Perry (SBC) requested that D. Barrows (OES) give an update on the status of funding and reimbursement based on SB1473 at the next Operations Team Meeting.

F. Review of MACS/GHQ Wall Displays

A brief review of the MACS/GHQ Wall Displays generated a recommendation from D. Driscoll (CDF) that a generic form with no resource names be printed up for packet use and enlarged wall display copies have printed resource names on them.

It was also agreed upon by the group that the generic resource forms would be included in the MACS/GHQ Information Packages.

P. Delaney (LAC) made a motion the MACS/GHQ Displays be accepted as ammended. D. Perry (SBC) seconded the motion and all approved.

### III. Earthquake Presentations

A presentation by the USFS's experience during the Mexican Earthquake was given. Los Angeles City and Los Angeles County also informed the group on their experience with the disaster.

A brief discussion ensued and the overall feeling was the Mexican Earthquake coordination effort lacked organization and a plan such as ICS might have made better use of all the resources available.

The Operations Team finally concluded that correspondence addressing the "All Risk" function of the MACS/GHQ Operation be better defined. This correspondence will be drafted by M. Scherr (OES) and would be directed to the Board of Directors.

### IV. New and Old Business

#### A. Uninterruptible Power System (UPS)

A copy of the letter from USFS to M. Scherr concerning the problems with the OCC UPS was handed out, along with a letter from R. Manzo (Computer Systems Administrator), explaining the problems and possible necessary actions needed to rectify the problem. R. Manzo and M. Scherr will work with USFS to try and reach a solution.

#### B. BEHAVE Model Manual

Some concern was expressed by J. Linder (SSM) about making 75 copies of the current manual which is extremely large. Further clarification by USFS is needed as to what portions need to be distributed. J. Linder (SSM) and USFS will work together to try and resolve this issue.

#### C. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

There were some changes and they were covered during the last Operations Team Meeting.

#### D. UCSB

M. Scherr (OES) informed the group Mike Constantino of the University of California, Santa Barbara, has contacted him and made him aware of their plans to complete Geoloc Fuels Data acquisition which was started and dropped by a USFS grant.

#### E. Weather

Currently the weather will be provided twice a day Monday through Friday only. Weekend forecast will be made only by special request through the USFS. The NOAA Weather Wire connection is still awaiting an order for hardware.

F. WAR

The program is still on hold and a decision as to what should be done with the program is necessary.

V. Next Meeting

The tentative date for the next meeting is February 20, 1986, at L.A. Camp #2. The starting time is 0900.