

FIRESCOPE Operations Team
Joint North / South Meeting
Camp San Luis Obispo

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January 26-27, 1995

Voting Members

Darrell Higuchi, LAC
Jim Cavellini, San Francisco FD
Ed Wristen, CDF
Mike Scherr, OES
Will Brock, OES
Steve Vittum, SBC
Ray Russell, SFM

Robert Martines, CDF
Andy Anderson, Quincy FD
Mike Dougherty, USFS
Frank Borden, LFD
Alice Forbes, USFS
Brian Kelly, Millbrae FD
Dave Festerling, VNC

Guests

Jim McFadden, CDF
Claude Creasey, LFD
Jerry Clements, USFS
Charles Valenzuela, Kern Co. FD
Neil Honeycutt, OES
Al Wilsey, VNC

John Linder, OES
Art Cota, SFM
Dan Francis, CDF
Ken Miller, CDF
Jack Hickey, San Francisco FD

- Introductions.
- OES Agency Report, Neil Honeycutt. New logo on display. Since September meeting fire service statewide - discovered diversity in Fire Service strength. Desire is to keep Fire Service together. Lee Mitchell retired. Mike Scherr retiring. 90 days until self exam and position statements completed.
- LA City, Frank Borden. S/T Leader Certification Program in progress with LAC. Implementing SEMS in city. Developer EOC for city with other city departments. Performed effectively in floods.
- CDF, Ken Miller. Local government program.
- USFS, Alice Forbes. Forest Service reorganization ongoing, Fire still same. National Incident Management Systems Consortium - March meeting deferred to July. Committee material not ready for review.
- USFS, Mike Dougherty. Two new dispatchers at OCC.

- Millbrae, local government North Ops. Becoming more aware of role with FIREScope and ICS. Recent floods EOC opened early, more coordinated effort for emergency service through experience with ICS through fire department efforts.
- OES, Will Brock. Three positions not filled. More coverage with those personnel. New office in Redding (old fire prevention office USFS).
- Ventura County FD, Dave Festerling. Using ICS and SEMS with local government departments. New Fire Chief, 4th in 10 years.
- Santa Barbara Co. FD, Steve Vittum. County OES merged with fire. Fire person promoted into OES role. SEMS for county will go through fire. New personnel became experienced through recent floods. Sheriff as Fire Chief, sees how ICS works in the field.
- Kern County. McCarthy had bypass surgery, Dave Clark Acting Chief. ICS Incident Commander level is training focus.
- CDF, Dan Francis. Meetings ongoing with SFM. Implementation January 1996 consolidation, no reduction of personnel or funding. Dan on training part. Nationally trade/fuel. Local agencies lack urban interface with wildland firefighters. Need material that exists. Instructors (qualified) are a concern.
- SFM, Cota/Russell. Consolidation. Part of support training for I Courses. Start accomplishing in 96. I-100 up to I-400 courses.
- CDF, McFadden. Regional Training facilities - Cal Chiefs Rep. January 11 in Sacramento. LFG Day March 13-15? large presentation. Legislature could support in 96. Need Fire Service support. Highway 41 After Action Report about done.
- OES, Linder. Covering behind Mike Scherr after his departure. Working with Operations Teams.
- San Francisco. Consent Decree ups this year, will release resources committed to the ICS. FIREScope should receive benefit. Confined Space Teams trained. S/T Training, 40-50 officers, 200 personnel to R&F. High Rise training, strong emphasis and coordination with local agencies. Close to embracing ICS and SEMS for city/county.

- North Ops, Local Government, Andy Anderson. Turnover with Starks and Sid Nobles broadly spread out through northern California. Forbes will maintain core information. MACS as south will not occur. Existing system in Redding will remain unchanged as it is performing MACS like functions. Not wise to bring people from Fresno or Bay area to Redding.
- LA County, Darrell Higuchi. Superscooper test - went into test reluctantly, be open minded. Mixed feelings for and against. Test two more fire seasons. 3 Year Plan for training. No grandfathering for ICS, all people will train, no exceptions. 4 management teams of deputies. 17 people on computer snap paged group quick call. Funding is ok for LAC.
- CDF South, Martines and Wristen. Reorganization Phase I, new construction at OCC entire compound used, duty statements being rewritten for operations. Reorganization Phase II, Director concept consolidation of ranger units, save dollars, save positions. 2 Mobile Units this year, 6 total planned Redding, Riverside. Air Program - 02 conversion to military OV-10 Bronco, 2 in operations Redding/Hemet/Ryan, 4 hour limit to flight time. 4 S-2 to turbine this year. Retirements this year - Jack White, Harrington, Starks, Just. CDF testing Superscooper (Friedman Bill), MACS Conference Room remodeled for better utilization.
- Introductions by Ops Team Members and brief on agency happenings.
- Scherr covered Logistics and ORC participation in the FIREScope Program because of their financial situation.
- Dougherty gave a report on the 93 After Action Report and lack of input by FIREScope members. Need input to Rachel at OCC by Feb. 13, 1995.

VNC, USFS and OES are ok with recommendations as written. CDF, LAC, and other agencies will give input by 2/13/95.

Questions on item 10 re 800 mhz, and Item 3. Com Spec Group is making a proposal.

- FOG progress report by Scherr. FOG is in the State Printers hands (list new sec. and color coding)

Price is full \$3.23 , without 3 Letter IDs \$2.25. Order of priority for distribution -----

Flyer will be mailed out to the Fire Service notifying that it is available.

Only 30,000 being printed on first printing. First printing will be available first part of March.

- ICS US&R Operations System Description report by Scherr. Went over changes to document. This is most current document.
- ICS Structure Fire Operations. Scherr gave an overview of changes to the document. Note: check the use of "FORWARD" for correction.
- ICS New Forms, ICS-215W / G. Overview of changes given by Scherr. Wall size available through Document Control. New Document Price List will be sent out to Document Control Points.

May 1, 1995 recommended date for implementation of new changes within the FIREScope Documents.

- Kern County participation in FIREScope Decision Process. Scherr gave a background of how the Member agencies are made up. With the new CDF Reorganization may need to look at alternatives to be a member of the process. Discussion insured.

Scherr recommended that OES Region 5 be part of South OPS TEAM.

OK, members

Option A

Option B Note: get wording from Scherr for these options

Option C KRN be Co. Fire South rep, and LAC only be a rep as FIREScope

CDF need time to go over options with Jim Owen. Will advise out come tomorrow.

- Rapid Force Project. Scherr gave report on same.
- OSPR Project. T/F assisted
- Honeycutt gave an overview on SEMS implementation to local government. Information will be available on disc.
- MIRS Report by Honeycutt

- 1994 5 Party Cooperative Agreement. Changes are highlighted.
- Miscellaneous items
Letter from Mike Colgan ,ORC, to FEMA re FIREScope
- NWCG Generic ICS. Scherr gave an overview of the National Hand-Off to national instructors in Generic ICS.

Need Document Control Point to purchase documents from Boise and distribute to local instructors.

- White Frequency - OES Bulletin #28. Request from Cal Chiefs to redo White Fire use and direction.

Com Spec. Group to put out information. Bulletins

- MACS Operation hardware/software shake down Feb. 22, 1995 at the OCC.

When is CALMAC activated?

- OPS Team South Chair, Mike Dougherty railroaded as Chair.
- Recommendation for Task Force Chair is Ralph Alsworth. Will finalize at next Task Force meeting.

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FRIDAY JANUARY 27, 1995
0800

- Back to Kern County issue. CDF requested more time to review this issue.
- Task Force Report by Mike Dougherty.
- Neil Honeycutt reported on the BOD meeting.

After Action Report. The need to take action, not shelf. Need to work on Communications.

Keep BOD up to date on MIRS.

OES Engine Replacement Program.

NWCG Hand-Off.

Next Meeting 2/22/1995.

Borden ask for BOD Agenda before meeting.

- Miscellaneous Continued--- Report by Scherr
Coast Guard ICS Hand-Off. Biggest concern Unified Command.
- Next Joint OPS. Team Meeting will be at Bucks Lake, July 13-14, 1995.
- South Canyon Fire Report given by Alice Forbes.
- Jim McFadden gave report on the "41" Fire, OES ARCINFO System video and photos.
- Frank Borden gave a report on the Kobe Japan Earthquake.

TO: CALIFORNIA FIRE CHIEFS

In response to recent changes made by the National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) to ICS terminology and organization, FIREScope has completed a review of the Field Operations Guide (FOG). Direction was given as part of this review to consider any and all changes which would improve the FOG's informational content.

Based on this review, the FOG has been updated with several changes incorporated. Some of these changes are as follows:

- Color-coded sections added for ICS standards developed on Multi-Casualty, Urban Search & Rescue, and Hazardous Materials.
- Resource Typing Standards updated to reflect changes in technology and resource application.
- Terminology changes for the following ICS positions:

"Air Attack Group Supervisor" to "Air Tactical Group Supervisor"

"Air Tanker Coordinator" to "Air Tanker/Fixed Wing Coordinator"

"Finance Section Chief" to "Finance/Administration Section Chief"

- Sections added which explain "Multi-Agency Coordination System (MACS)", "Area Command", and "Complex".
- NWCG briefing and planning cycles added to chapters on Command, Operations, Planning, Logistics, and Finance/Administration.

With the information found in the updated FOG outdating the existing FOG, FIREScope has identified June 1, 1995 as the date when the updated FOG will replace the current FOG. The change-over will have special significance when addressing changes made to resource typing standards which will go into effect this date.

Attached is ordering information for purchasing the updated FOG through FIREScope Document Control. Two versions will be available for purchase; one with three-letter agency identifier listing, and one without this agency listing.

Sincerely,

DONALD O. MANNING, Chair

Fire Advisory Committee/FIREScope Board of Directors