

OPERATIONS TEAM MEETING  
LOS ANGELES FIRE STATION 49  
JUNE 1-2, 1983

In Attendance:

E. Anderson, USFS	A. Moncrief, LAC, Task Force Chmn
F. Borden, LFD	J. Monesmith, FPO
K. Hammond, VNC	J. Uribarri, OES
R. Hebrard, CDF	
R. King, LAC	
R. Land, OES, Chairman	
R. Montague, USFS	
D. Perry, SBC	

- I. APPROVE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING  
The minutes were approved as corrected.

II. ACTION ITEMS

1. FIRESCOPE Property Agreement - Working
2. Ops Team Conference Demonstration - Working
3. Specialized Equipment Program - Working
4. Training Specialist Group - Land presented a status report on the formation of the Specialist Group. He will continue to pursue for member's names.
5. Weather Specialist Group - Land distributed a list of group members, and a letter inviting them to the first meeting, to be held June 15 at the OCC.
6. PIO Quals & Certs - Comments have been received from agencies. The basic discussion centered around position titles of "Information Officer" and "Lead Information Officer". Land will pass Ops Team comments on to the PIO Specialist Group by June 15. Consider this item "DONE".

IV. ROUND TABLE INFORMATION SHARING

Earl Anderson and Don Perry are working on an Urban Fire Spread Model. Progress is being made, and any agency wishing to assist would be welcome.

The ICS Advisors list, in the computer program ADVISORS, is not up to date. Please check your list and contact the SSM to update your list.

Motion by Montague, second by Perry that any correspondence from the Task Force, Operation Team, or the Support/Services Manager, should have only the FIRESCOPE logo on the memo. Unanimous vote.

## V. DECISION PROCESS ITEMS FOR REVIEW

Land presented the following items to the Ops Team. These were received by the Chairman between meetings:

1. Weather Specialist Group letter and composition.
2. ICS Ground Operations Group members
3. ICS Air Operations Group members
4. Task Force Chairman rotation schedule.
5. TOP HAT Progress Report

One item left to resolve is the checklist for ADP Operations personnel. Uribarri will pursue this with the Task Force.

### 6. ADP Specialists Group letter

Land presented a letter from the Task Force, and Moncrief described the concept behind an ADP Specialist Group. Motion by Borden, second by King, to approve the concept of the ADP Specialist Group, and to search member agencies for the skilled personnel to fill the group. Unanimous vote.

### 7. Mapping Specialist Group Charter

Land presented the second draft of the Mapping Specialist Group Charter from the Task Force. Motion by Anderson, second by Perry, to approve the charter. Unanimous vote.

### 8. ICS209 Reformat Request

Land and Montague presented a request from the Forest Service to change the ICS209 form to meet the format requirements of the Forest Service's Daily Situation Report. Discussion centered around the Forest Service's needs and the "No Change" moratorium. Perry pointed out that the Ops Team should consider "all risk" issues before changing the current forms. Consensus was to supplement the ICS209 form with other forms instead of changing the current one for all risk. Comment was made that "we never seem to give anything a full blown try before we change it".

Motion by Hebrard, second by Borden, to approve the redesigned form, with the instructions not reflecting "mandatory" or "optional". Vote was 7 - 1, with LAC dissenting.

### 9. Fire Performance Rating Form

Motion by USFS, second by SBC that the Forest Service and CDF jointly develop a Performance Rating Form for their own use over the next 2 year trial period. Unanimous vote.

## VII. ACCOUNTABLE PROPERTY

Discussion centered around the Forest Service property which will become excess when the contract programmers for the Program Office leave. Region 5 would like a written justification for those pieces of equipment which FIRESCOPE needs to keep. Any partner agency needs for such equipment should be relayed to the SSM. Uribarri will prepare the justifications for needed equipment.

## IX. COURSE DEVELOPMENT COORDINATION

Monesmith reviewed the meeting that took place between Rex Griggs, Bob Paulus, Jim McFadden, and Monesmith. CDF will take the steps necessary to

bring the program texts to acceptable standards.

#### VIII. COVERS FOR ICS MATERIALS

Monesmith presented the background of the ICS Cover issue, and noted that Ione was following appropriate guidelines in cover preparation. But in the future, the Ops Team direction of the "generic" cover for materials will be followed. Motion by Hebrard, second by Borden to reaffirm the previous cover decision. Unanimous vote.

#### XI. 1983 MACS COMPUTER TRAINING

Uribarri presented the Computer Course Catalog. Consensus was that the catalog is acceptable and that training should proceed along those lines this fire season. King requested that agencies be informed of scheduled training and possible vacancies, so that others may be able to take advantage of openings.

#### XII. FIRESCOPE PROGRAM REPORT

Land led the discussion of the report. Significant points were:

##### IN GENERAL

- \$8.1 million and three years are needed to finish the program.
- Projected savings should be about 10% of costs annually.
- Some form of a planning and facilitating group must exist.
- The "system", with its reliance on telephones and computers, is vulnerable to earthquakes.
- The system is currently supported by a minimum level of hardware and other technologies.
- MACS Goals may need to be resurrected and reaffirmed. This will be a topic for the next meeting.

##### ICS

- ICS issues requiring further development (training, comm, facilities, and document control) should either be funded continually or terminated.

##### MAPPING

- California has a state mapping coordinator. There is a possibility of obtaining a split funded state resident cartographer.

##### COMMUNICATIONS

- Radio cache needs to be completed. Mobile microwave and/or satellite communications may be in the future.

ADP

- There is a lack of communication between the specialists and the end users. The formation of the ADP Specialist Group should help. The acquisition of a backup computer will be highly desirable.

TRAINING

- The Training Specialist Group is needed.

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- InfraRed development is a Forest Service responsibility. They will try to accomodate our needs in their work.

METEOROLOGICAL

- The met program is not fully developed or implemented. The establishment of the Weather Specialist Group will help. We foresee increased use of RAWs (Remote Automated Weather Stations) and ALDS (Automatic Lightning Detection System).

QUESTIONS GENERATED

- Should we have some mechanism for the systematic transferring of FIREScope products statewide?
- Do we need a statewide Decision Making Process?

XIII. NEXT OPERATIONS TEAM MEETING

DATE: July 13-14, 1983

PLACE: Santa Barbara County (exact location t.b.a.)