

OPERATIONS TEAM MEETING
LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT
CAMP #2

SEPTEMBER 3, 1986

In Attendance: M. Scherr, OES (Chairman) D. Castleman, CDF
 J. Linder, OES (Minutes) M. Sellers, VNC
 J. Bryant, USFS F. Borden, LFD
 P. Delaney, LAC J. Radley, ORC
 M. Barrows, USFS (T/F Chairman) R. Barrows, OES

I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 0946 by Chairman Scherr. Aero Mexico Incident and Area "C" Report were added to the Agenda.

II. PREVIOUS MINUTES

The following corrections were made to the July 28-29, 1986, Draft Minutes:

- A. Page 1, Item III, B., was changed from "CAL-TEX" to CAL-TAX.
- B. Page 3, Item V, paragraph 5, last sentence to read: FINALLY, THAT A MEMBER FROM EACH GROUP ATTEND THE OTHER GROUP'S MEETINGS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE, WITH THE COST BEING PICKED UP BY OES.
- C. Page 3, Item V, paragraph 6 and 7, change FMO to SFM.

The July 28-29, 1986, minutes were approved as corrected.

III. TASK FORCE REPORT

The Task Force Chairman Marty Barrows, (USFS), reported on the following items:

- A. ICS Course Development Update 1. CDF Fire Academy FIREScope Grant

All the Lesson Plans are done for Planning, Logistics, and Operations functions except for the following:

- a. Communications Unit Leader I-358
- b. Operations Section Chief I-430
- c. Field Observer/Display Processor I-244
- d. Helicopter Coordinator I-374
- e. Air Tanker Coordinator I-376

M. Barrows stated that these five Lesson Plans should be finished in 30 to 60 days.

2. Forest Service

- a. Incident Commander and Safety Officer are complete.
- b. Liaison Officer was tested last Spring - some modifications were needed. Will be complete by 1/1/87.
- c. Information Officer will be out for review by 10/1/86.
- d. Finance Section Chief and the four (4) Unit Leaders will be out for review by 1/1/87. There is a Multi-Agency Development Group working on the Finance Positions.

B. Southern California Wildland Fire Training Calendar

1. M. Barrows (USFS), reported on the meeting held in Bakersfield to formulate the Training Calendar. He passed out a calendar to all present.
2. R. Barrows, (OES) suggested that FIREScope contact the State Fire Marshals Office to see where they are at in their training effort.
3. M. Scherr, (OES), advised the group that the Computer Section was imputing the calendar on PRIME at the OCC and that we are working with the State Fire Marshals Office and the Sacramento Office Staff to get the SFM Training Calendar on the computer also.
4. R. Barrows, (OES), recommended a letter be written and sent to all Regional and Area Coordinators requesting that they get the word out to all local agencies regarding the Training Calendars.

C. Three (3) Letter Identifiers

A letter from the Task Force to the Operations Team recommending Criteria for Three Letter Identifiers was passed out and a discussion followed. It was a consensus of the group that the title of the criteria should read, "California Fire Service Three Letter Identifier Criteria". Also, that it should include a statement as to who and by what procedure the Three Letter Identifiers should be issued by. The Task Force was to complete this assignment and make a recommendation back to the Operations Team.

D. All Risk Incident Status Summary (INC209)

1. The letter from the Task Force recommending the use of the existing 209 for all incidents was handed out. M. Barrows (USFS), reported the Task Force felt the existing 209 was suited for All Risk application.

2. M. Scherr, (OES), suggested that they might want to look at different fields for different types of incidents that could be called up on the computer, such as Earthquake, Mass Casualty, Hazmat, etc.
3. R. Barrows, (OES), recommended that the Task Force put together sample 209 Reports of different types of incidents to see if an All Risk format may or may not be needed.
4. J. Radley, (ORC), said he liked the idea of a different menu for different types of incidents.
5. It was the consensus of the group that the Task Force should put together sample 209s for different types of incidents for further evaluation.

E. NOAA Wather Wire on PRIME

1. The 11 item list the Weather Specialist Group suggested be extracted from the available NOAA Weather Wire and be made available on the PRIME Computer was discussed. there was a concern for added Telenet charges and the necessity for all information available for all areas.
2. M. Scherr, (OES), is to work with the Task Force Chairman to come up with Guidelines and Policies for Use of the NOAA Weather on PRIME.

F. Specialist Group Report

1. Information Specialist Group
No meeting scheduled, no activity.
2. Training Specialist Group
Next meeting 9/30/86, LAC Camp #2.
3. Communications Specialist Group
Next meeting 9/30/86, ORC.
4. ADP Specialist Group
No meeting scheduled, no activity.
5. Hazmat Specialist Group
 - a. Last meeting 8/26/86. Will meet with Task Force on 9/17/86.
 - b. Next meeting scheduled for 9/23/86 at LAC Camp #2.
6. Weather Specialist Group
 - a. Next meeting scheduled for 10/8/86, VNC.
 - b. Group is working with the California-Nevada River Forecast Center in Sacramento on automatic weather stations (Alert System) and its use in Southern California. For a minimal cost per element the Alert System Weather Stations can be modified to do what the FIRESCOPE Automatic Weather Sites do.

7. M. Scherr, (OES) requested a report from the Task Force at the next Operations Team Meeting on the status of all the Specialist Groups.

G. No Cost Items

M. Scherr, (OES) requested that the Task Force prepare a report on the status of the No-Cost Items for the next Operations Team meeting.

IV. CALIFORNIA FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION RESOLUTION #86-9

- A. P. Delaney, (LAC), handed out a draft Memo to the OES Fire and Rescue Service Advisory Committee/FIRESCOPE Board of Directors from the Operations Team, regarding Cal Chiefs Resolution Number 86-9.
- B. A long discussion ensued. J. Bryant, (USFS), recommended removing the last sentence of the second paragraph and making it the first sentence of the third paragraph. Also, add the words, "and Wildland agencies", after the words Regional and Area OES Coordinators, in the fifth paragraph.
- C. It was agreed that J. Bryant, (USFS), and M. Scherr, (OES), would make the necessary changes in the Memo and send it to all Operations Team members on electronic mail for their review prior to sending the final product to the Advisory Committee/Board of Directors.

V. MUTUAL-AID REIMBURSEMENT

R. Barrows, (OES), read a letter from Region 1 Area "C" Chiefs to Chief England regarding reimbursement for Mutual Aid. He then reported on a subsequent meeting with Area "C" Chiefs.

VI. OES FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE/FIRESCOPE DECISION PROCESS CHART, RESOLUTION, CHARTERS, AND DECISION PROCESS

- A. M. Scherr, (OES), passed out copies and pointed out changes to the Organization Chart.
- B. R. Barrows, (OES), reported on the status of the Resolution Charter and Decision Process for consolidation of the OES Fire and Rescue Service Advisory Committee and FIRESCOPE Board of Directors. He stated that they looked very clean and would be presented at the September 10, 1986 Advisory Board Meeting in Sacramento.

VII. SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FIRE CHIEFS ASSOCIATION PLAIN LANGUAGE DESIGNATORS

M. Scherr, (OES), requested the Task Force to review the above document for consistency with FIRESCOPE terminology.

VIII. ORDERING PROCESS FORM

M. Scherr, (OES), reported that OES is in the process of coming up with instructional and marketing procedures for the forms. He pointed out that the form would force the Dispatchers to capture all the required information for dispatch.

IX. WAR PROGRAM

M. Scherr, (OES), spoke to the letter sent to Bruce Hunt regarding changes to the Computer Program and his subsequent conversation with Mr. Hunt. Hunt will make recommendations for a revision of the program. M. Scherr insured better coordination on OES part.

X. FEMA AWARD UPDATE

M. Scherr, (OES), reported on the final draft of the FIREScope Monograph he received from Dr. Sheldon Steinberg. Scherr will supply copies to the Operations Team and the Board of Directors. The final award from FEMA should be sometimes in November.

XI. FIREScope Contract

A. R. Barrows, (OES), discussed meeting with Ryland Research and the Task 1 Report held on September 2, 1986, at Los Angeles County Fire Department. Mr. Ryland will give a report to the Fire and Rescue Advisory Committee/Board of Directors at their September 10, 1986 meeting.

B. M. Scherr, (OES), asked that the Task Force Chairman coordinate meeting with Specialist Groups and Mr. Ryland.

XII. IEMS FIREScope PRESENTATION

R. Barrows, (OES), reported on his presentation given to a 17 member IEMS Committee on the FIREScope Program. He stated the presentation focused on ICS, MACS, Mapping, and the Statewide Mutual Aid System.

XIII. OES FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

R. Barrows, (OES), went over the Agenda for the September 10, 1986 Meeting. He covered the Earthquake Rescue Caches in detail and how they will work with the HFRs.

XIV. AERO MEXICO INCIDENT

P. Delaney, (LAC), gave a detailed report on the Aero Mexico Air Liner crash with a private small aircraft in Cerritos.

XV. Next Meeting

- A. October 21, 1986, 1100 hours, Big Bear Lake. Motel accommodations and maps attached.
- B. October 22, 1986, USFS Program.