

FIRESCOPE - Safety Specialist Group  
Teleconference

**November 3, 2011**

**Members Present:**

Daron Pisciotta – Santa Clara County Fire  
Anthony Stornetta – Santa Barbara County Fire  
Woody Enos – Firescope Task Force Representative  
Sean Fraley – Kern County Fire  
Larry LaVogue – San Bernardino County Fire  
Tom Sherman - BLM  
Peter Tolosano – Region 5, Forest Service  
Mark Sanchez – Orange County Fire  
Keith Aggson – Atascadero Fire  
Donald Reyes – LA City Fire  
Brent Stangeland - CALFIRE  
Thom Heller - Mammoth Lakes Fire

Meeting started 1006

**Introductions**

**Task Force Summary Report – Woody**

Ralph Domanski (CALEMA) taking over from Tom Drayer.

Task Force requested that the SSG to work on Law Enforcement/ Marijuana Incidents issues.

Accountability issue has already been included in the FOG.

Discussion of how the process works in FIRESCOPE. All the groups work for the Task Force, the Task Force reports to the OPS Team, the OPS Team reports to the Board of Directors. The decision making process and consensus is what the Task Force works through to determine an outcome.

**Old Business**

- First Responder Guidelines for Marijuana Incidents – Anthony

Task Force is requesting SSG to research any additional info on grow-houses.

Include wildland issue in the write up.

Group's assignment: review write-up, include/bring any local in-house or any other policies that you are aware of to the December meeting.

Goal: complete in Jan for submittal to Task Force.

- First Responder Guidelines for Law Enforcement Tactical Operations – Anthony

Task Force requesting fine tuning of document by the SSG.

Bring any policies or procedures that you are aware of to the December meeting for discussion and possible inclusion.

Include reference material of statistics provided.

LA City has a copy of documents that will be forwarded to all - Donald.  
Cement Mine and Seal Beach incident after action safety reviews can be added –  
Mark and Daron to provide if copies are obtained.

- Use of Mayday vs. Emergency Traffic – Anthony

“Mayday” and “Emergency Traffic” being identified as nomenclature for emergency issues that surface on incidents.

History: Use of “Emergency Traffic” had been omitted by SFM Training in update of class curriculum and the use by some departments around the state.

Review of use of both words has now been incorporated into training.

NFPA 1500 is looking to add “Mayday” as a hailing call term.

Looks like both words will be used interchangeably.

Hot topic and lots of controversy...being worked on at management levels.

IC needs to determine how to run the incident within an incident...how to determine course of action, radio frequency, allocation of resources, etc.

Mark to scan a paper written for NFA concerning the use of Mayday and provide copy to group members.

We are going to move on.

- CAL FIRE WUI Working Group Handbook – Anthony

SSG Completed.

- Ordering of EMTs/Paramedics through the ROSS system.

EMS Group is working on this issue - how ordering is being accomplished. The group will then develop a system for ordering through the ROSS process.

**Group Business**

- Plan of Work Update – SFM Training (Mike Richwine) invite to one of the next meetings (San Diego?).

- SSG Member List – Update list.

**Open Forum**

Sean: Safety forum presented by Kern County – SSG is invited to attend. Safety related issues. Daylong session.

Anthony: Leader of Smoke related injuries is needed. Brian will continue to assist and provide information.

Anthony: Tony Duran (possible substitution from LAC, Nick Berkuta) and Thom Heller are both leaving the group.

Next Meeting information will be provided by Anthony soon.