FIRESCOPE Task Force Meeting #99-4 April 6-7, 1999 Big Bear Lake

Present: (Both days)

Neil Honeycutt, OES Tony Marrone, Rachel Parks, OES Support Keith Larkin, CDF/SFM Gary Glotfelty, OES Lynn Caldwell, Mike LaPlant, VNC Chris Wurzell, CDF

Absent

Greg West, LFD Rich McKinney Andy Rosenberger, SBC George Ewan, USFS Mike Colgan, ORC Jon Olney, KRN

Review of 3/15-16/99 minutes

FIRESCOPE Task Force will have a representative on review of CSTI Curriculum Review Group, Keith Larkin will be chair of the group. Keith brought Charter (draft), for the Task Force review. Keith Larkin to bring Joint Ops up to date at the next meeting.

Add Training Officer Symposium

Neil Honeycutt speaking on FIRESCOPE (1 hour) at FIREWEST. OES legal staff felt it was appropriate even though it is a for-profit event. Will not lend FIREWEST any radio equipment.

Keith Larkin questioned what his responsibilities will be to the Urban Interface Skills group within NWCG. Ralph Alworth will make contact with him.

Add Training Office Symposium and re-do Meeting schedule.

Minutes approved as ammended.

Thanks to John Linder for setting up meeting room, Gary Glotfelty for help with hotel.

FIRESCOPE Membership Update

The Executive Coordinator is trying to set up replacements for the vacancies in the Decision Process.

Action: George Ewan to bring up at the Joint Ops level, the Task Force activity report.

The group felt it would be a good thing to have a BLM/DOI, possibly from the north, at the Task Force level.

FIRESCOPE Work Plan

Task Force reviewed the Work Plan, and made minor editing changes.

US&R

Move forward to next meeting.

GIS

Position Description will be reviewed at April Ops, to forward to BOD July. Will need training side, as well as tech side, for the development of the lesson plans. Chris will coordinate with members who are willing to assist with the project.



STEAC Review of CSTI Curriculum

Keith passed out draft Charter. Will present to STEAC for their review and comments. The scope of this group will be to focus if the curriculum is meeting the intended need, work with CSTI to work out problem areas. Need alternate for Mike Colgan if he cannot attend to represent Task Force. Mike LaPlant volunteered to be alternate for Task Force.

Action: George Ewan to discuss the issue with Mike Colgan (available time, very sensitive issues, important to Calfiornia Fire Services), to confirm if in fact he will attend the meetings.

Gary Glotfelty is OES representative, with Neil Honeycutt as backup.

Firefighter Safety and Accountability ICS-910

Keith had a question with terminology in the document. Being this is a Californa document the word team should be taken out. It is misleading (RIC vs RIT). The group had a lengthy discussion on this issue.

Action: George Ewan, in Section 3, it is confusing and conflicting to use the term "team" with ICS standards. Task force suggests the Ops Teams review Section 3, of the ICS-910 and assess the use of the word "team" and consider developing a new descriptive term. Words come from NFPA standards and shuld not be changed...

Engine/WT Typing Standards

This was an Action Item for George Ewan at the 3/99 meeting. Move forward to next meeting. The Task Force discussed the issue.

Action: Reviewed as an Action Item. Will wait until George presents the Task Force report at the Joint Ops meeting. Task Force recommends that a Equipment Working Group be established to review the existing equipment typings and develop possible recommendations that may better serve the California fire services.

This could be a window of opportunity to change the typing standards in the future FOG.

Neil passed out an OES informational paper on engines.

lerrorism

Tony talked with Higuchi, regarding the documents on terrorism. He said they all meet ICS standards. He asked Ops Teams for assistance, this did not happen. Will it ever be a part of FOG, it is basically a multi-casualty or hazmat issue.

FAPS (These are action items for Joint Ops and BOD)

Action: The Task Force recommends retiring FAPS.

Action: AIRS as a link on the Website.

Action: Agency Links and Software Link

MACS 410-1

Broadcast: Chris, Neil, ITSG to provide recommendations at the next Task Force Meeting.

Red Flag Alert:: Chris and Neil and Ron to begin this procedure. This should include Warning, Watches, and Alert.

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Red Flag Alert: Gary to brief group at next meeting.

Fire Behavior: Delete

4/6-7/99

Action: At the next meeting Gary to have a draft 410-1.

J-430

Changes to be included in the new document, all Task Force changes were incorporated into the new document.

Action: Gary to have new draft of J-430 at the next meeting.

Flow Chart

Andy was absent. Move forward to next meeting.

Website

Neil briefly spoke on the Website. If any members have specific needs contact Neil.

Orientation Package

Neil has draft information and is working on this project. If any members have comments let Neil know. Will meet general needs, as well as FIRESCOPE needs. By June hope to have outline. Put on June meeting agenda.

SEMS Update

Neil is working on committees, Search and Rescue , Rescource Ordering & Tracking. Will brief Task Force as he receive information.

MACS Exercise

The Task Force will meet on 5/10 for a walk thru, to make sure all members are comfortable. 5/11 is actual exercise. 5/12 will be the critique. 5/13 will be Task Force meeting.

Damage Inspection

Position Description will be presented to OpsTeams on 4/15. Chris will discuss at the next Task Force meeting.

ICS 220 Air Summary

Ralph Alworth asked Gary Glotfelty to review this issue with the Task Force. Forms were left in staff vehicle. Move forward to next meeting.

High Rise

Met with Specialists Group. Group will edit 5 new lesson plans, and write 2 brand new plans. When Keith receives he will review and coordinate with Tony. Tony will report at the next meeting.

Need to change organziation chart, has an error. Tony to give to Rachel and change.

Training Officers Symposium

November 7-10, 1999, in Fresno. Holiday Inn Downtown which is now the Radisson. Infomation is in the State Fire Training Bulletin. Need to contact the group to get FIRESCOPE on the agenda. Try to get on for 2 days.

Action: Identify speakers, time frames, contents, etc.

Action: Larkins will handle the arrangements all information submitted by members at the next Task Force meeting.

Action: Design a banner, color, size, words, etc.

State Board of Fire Services Incident Qualification and Certification SBSF IQCS

Keith passed out document on the meetig of this group. Trying to formalize this issue, and the other on Review Levels and Peer Assessment for Evaluation Committee Membership. The group discussed both of these documents and felt the group was going in the right direction and that the issues on both papers were good. Keep in mind these are just drafts.

Membership Updates

Action: George to request that the Operations Teams provide membership for the vacant Task Force positions as identified from the 4/6/99 Task Force meeting. Note: This will include the inactive membership.

Fire Districts 1- Mike Wilkinson ??
2- Vacant
County Fire Dept
1- Jon Olney
2- Lynn Caldwell
NPS
Vacant
Volunteer Fire Dist
Vacant
LAC
Tony Marrone
ORC
Mike Colgan
SFM
Keith Larkin
VNC
Mike LaPlant

City Fire Dept	
1- Rich McKinney	
2- Vacant	
OES	
1- Neil Honeycutt	
2- Gary Glotfelty	
BLM	
Vacant	
LFD	
Greg West	
SBC	
Andy Rosenberger	
FS	
Geoge Ewan	
CDF	
Chris Wurzell	

Next Meetings

5/10-13/99 (MACS Ex)	8/17-18/99	11/9-10/99
Riverside, Glotfelty	LAC - Marrone	Fresno - Olney
6/29-30/99	9/14-15/99	12/1-2/99
Los Angeles- West	Palm Desert - Wurzell	SBC - Rosenberger
7/20-21/99	10/6-7/99	1/2000 (Jt Ops)
VNC - LaPlant	SFM (Pacific Grove) - Larkin	SLO

CDF/SFM

Keith passed out 2 documents: Urban/Interface Wildland Fire Training Program, Urban/Interface Training Recommendations From The STEAC Urban/Interface Sub Committee January 20, 1999. Information sharing only, no action required.

California Fire Chiefs Association Training Section-Northern Division Wildland Committee
Keith passed out document on this group. Need to evaluate, make sure good quality program. This group is looking for support from all agencies. Will start on delivery in two weeks. Information sharing only, no action required.

Specialists/Working Groups Updates

Info Tech - Chris, Neil to take work assignments to this group for implementation on the Website. New Chair: Steve Hobbs, SBC

Communications Specialists - Talked with chairs of North and South, meeting in SLO, 1st week of May. LaPlant has relayed the issues he would like the group to address, and the group has placed it on the agenda.

GIS - Met in March. Group is working on Lesson Plan. Working on software programs (ArcView), FS Product and VNC Incident Mapping Program. CDF chose to use the VNC Program. Group is working on a Mapping Catalog that the Tech Spec might use on an incident. Chris passed around the catalog for the group to inspect.

Hazmat: No rep

Urban/Intermin: No rep

High Rise: Tony made report earlier.

US&R: No report

Rescue Systems 1: Keith said there has been gossip around that there has been a revision of this curriculum. He advised Task Force members to contact him if they receive any information on any rescue systems programs being offered.

Training Specialists Group

Action: George Ewan to draft a letter to the Joint Ops Teams Meeting regarding revitalizing the FIRESCOPE Training Specialists, requesting new members, and giving specialists the task of helping the other groups (High Rise, Damage Inspection, GIS, etc) with the development of lesson plans.

PIE North: Modeling after PIE South Fire Seasoner Opener, much smaller.

PIE South: No report.

Damage Inspection: On hold until Ops Teams review.

Agency Updates

Lynn: Nothing new with their agency.

Tony: AB112, possibly give some emergency fundings. Buying some type 3 engines with special glass in cabs for special protection.

Keith: Ronny Coleman has left the agency. Joan Jennings is acting.

Chris: Andrea Tuttle is director, Woody Allhouse is chief deputy director. 2 S2T available in June.

OES North and South: New director is Dallas Jones. MACS Exercise is in May. Still busy cleaning up STRESS, difficult going because survies are not coming back properly filled out.

LaPlant:: Contract negotiations are over. Closing out airport operations, except for training. Moving 50 to Los Posas. 37 moving to North Ranch community. Testing for BC and Engineer.