



# FIRESCOPE



**TASK FORCE  
Camarillo, CA  
April 20, 21 2010**

## **Attendees**

Dave Stone-LAC

Tom Drayer – Cal EMA

Jerry Kuras-SBC

Brit Rosso-KNP

Tim Fike - NCC

Dan Drake – ORC

Mike LaPlant-VNC

Orbrad Darbro-CNT

Jim Hollingsworth-CDF

Jack Froggatt-KRN

Charles Butler - LFD

Greg West - LFD

Romero Rodriguez-SFM

Deputy Chief Kevin Nestor welcomed Task Force to Ventura County.

## Agenda Items

Agenda Review and Additions

Review and Approval of March minutes.

## Cal EMA report- Drayer

Chief Drayer discussed replacement engines. Region 2 with 16 operational areas will be split into two regions. John Clary is the current Cal EMA Region II Assistant Chief and retired Assistant Chief Marvin Howard is considering returning to fill the vacant Assistant Chief position. Three Deputy Chief positions and one Assistant Chief position remains vacant. FIRESCOPE MST Deneen Phillips resigned as of April 17<sup>th</sup> 2010. MAC center is receiving some upgrades in the facility.

## State Fire Training Update-Rodriguez

STEAC committee meeting was cancelled. State Board of Fire Services meeting is scheduled for May 26<sup>th</sup>. Ramiro discussed status of RIC training programs in the state and National arenas. There needs to be review of the National and State curriculums to try and combine the two into one curriculum. Members of the Task force voiced concern about Managing the Mayday as part of the National curriculum. Task Force Chair requested a copy of the Command and Control curriculum for review.

Action Item;

Ramiro Rodriguez to provide the Task Force with the RIC Command and Control curriculum for review.

SB 1207 states volunteers are considered employees so the training must be provided to the volunteers this is a change for training requirements for volunteer firefighters.



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Task Force broke for NIMS incident management work group conference call. Chief Hollingsworth briefed group regarding conference call.

### **Structure Terminology Update-Stone**

Review of Chapter 14 WUI document since Ops Team Conference call. Chief Drayer highlighted changes since the conference call. Minor correction needs identified. Chief Drayer will create a clean copy and send out to Task Force members.

### **2010 Field Operations Guide Update**

August is the deadline for the groups to get final revisions to the Task Force.

1. The documents need to be complete with a clean copy.
2. Document with strikethrough changes.
3. Summary of changes completed in "Excel".

### **NWCG Update-Hollingsworth**

Chief Hollingsworth updated members on NWCG issues.

### **410-3 Red Flag Update-Drayer**

Chief Drayer gave a brief history of Red Flag Warnings and the staffing patterns that develop related to the same. Chief Froggatt gave perspective on the process of creating consensus between FIRESCOPE and the National Weather Service. There is a letter of concurrence related to the 410-3 from Dan Keeton (National Weather Service) to Tom Rolinski (Predictive Service Unit).

### **410-1 Review/Update**

The Form 429 within the 410-1 has been updated. Question that was discussed is should the entire document be revised as a parent document for Operating Plans for North Ops, South Ops and Cal MAC. Direction to the Ops team should be that the Form 429 has been updated and needs approval of the Board of Directors while much of the rest of the 410-1 will continue to be updated with an emphasis to an All Hazard approach.

Action Item;



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Task Force will reconvene the MACS working group to review NIMS MACS document to see if it can be used for FIRESCOPE.

**Communications Safety Bulletin/OES Bulletin 28-LaPlant**

Members reviewed Operations Bulletin #28 and the Joint Safety Bulletin related to New Air to Ground Frequencies and New Region 5 Tactical Frequencies. The Communications group would like to consolidate the two bulletins for distribution by FIRESCOPE. Discussion that this is really a Cal EMA issue and not a FIRESCOPE related item since it is a Mutual Aid concern.

**Situation Analyst Training**

May 10 and 11 training by South Ops analyst will be provided by South Ops and the training has been opened up to the outside fire service. There will be training for 10 personnel for free. The benefits will be for a local Chief to be able to get intel on the future of a local fire in 15 minutes. Possible use later as South Ops staff enhancement. Situation Unit leaders not necessarily GIS experts. Two Days of Training.

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**Cohesive Strategy Process**

Ventura County Fire Chief Bob Roper joined the Task Force to discuss the FLAME act and the process of creating a Cohesive Strategy blueprint.

May 28<sup>th</sup> Friday Cohesive Strategy Oversight Committee regional meeting at OES headquarters. All are welcome to join the meeting. QFR is the basis for the Cohesive Strategy meeting and can be read for background.

Chief Roper also submitted three questions to the Task Force from the BoD,

1. What can the FIRESCOPE Board of Directors do for the Task Force?
2. How do you envision the future of FIRESCOPE?
3. Do you see conflicts between FIRESCOPE and NWCG? If so, describe and make recommendations.

Chief Roper requested a response by May 12<sup>th</sup>. The debate may wait until the Joint Ops meeting in June.

**FOG Terrorism Chapter Re-Write-Darbro**



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Chief Darbro presented completed work from the Haz Mat Specialist Group related to the rewrite of the WMD FOG chapter.

### **Alternative Meetings**

Members discussed possible options to meet without the travel expenses. Possibly using Go To Meeting.com or another venue to conduct meetings remotely.

### **Specialist and Working Group Reports** (Hello Ladies)

GIS-Hollingsworth/Rodriguez  
USAR-Butler/LaPlant  
Safety- Kuras/Fike  
Predictive-Services-Froggatt/Torrez  
Aviation-West  
Communications-LaPlant/Rosso  
Haz-Mat – Darbro

### **Plan of Work Review-All**

Members reviewed and revised the FIRESCOPE Plan of Work document.

### **Website Review-All**

### **Future Meetings and Locations**

May 27- OES Headquarters BOD  
May 19, 20-Redding  
June 8,9,10-Joint Ops San Fransisco  
July 14,15-Riverside  
August 17,18-South Lake Tahoe

### **Roundtable**

Members gave report outs on their home agencies.

Meeting Adjourned.



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