

Task Force 99-8
August 17-18, 1999
Glendale Fire Department

Present:

G. Ewan, USFS
T. Marrone, LAC
G. Glotfelty, OES
R. Parks, OES Support Staff
N. Honeycutt, OES
C. Wurzell, CDF
M. LaPlant, VNC
J. Olney, KRN

Absent:

A. Rosenberger, SBC
K. Larkin, CDF
G. West, LFD
M. Colgan, ORC
L. Caldwell, Santa Clara

Absent:

L. Chesmore, OES, Guest
R. Alworth, CDF, Guest

Guests

Chief Hinz (Glendale FD) welcomed the Task Force to his agency, and spoke regarding recent fire activity in his area.

Minutes 6/29-30/99 Meeting

Accepted with minor changes.

Minutes 7/20-21/99 Meeting

Accepted with minor changes.

8/17-18/99 Task Force Agenda

Add Website Management

Water Tenders - Engine Typing

FIRESCOPE will not change our standards to meet NWCG but will look at making modifications. Will write an Issue Paper and fine tune before presentation to the BOD. This has to be completed before next publication of FOG in 2 years. This item should be in work plan.

Work Plan

Action: George Ewan bring most current work plan to 9/99 meeting.

Job Aid Organizational Chart (J-430)

Honeycutt and LaPlant will use current FOG charts (wire diagrams). May change some minor terminology only. Need to have completed by November. Bring forward to 9/99 meeting.

Action: Honeycutt and LaPlant to bring charts to next meeting.

MACS 410-3 (Red Flag Alert)

Table and add to next year's Work Plan. When Task Force does look at this project need to look at Metafire Zones (charge for this service but is on CDF Website), this may reflect on the real red flag alert systems that will function in the areas that are having symptoms.

MACS North Exercise (TF Agenda)

Table until 9/99 meeting.

Action: Honeycutt to bring draft to next meeting.

Web Page Management

Glottelty (with the help of Chesmore) viewed the FIREScope Website and the new changes that have been implemented. There is now a public read only area for agencies that do not have/or need the right to view secure areas. This is a safety feature to keep hackers, vendors, etc., out of the secure area.

The full 209 in the secure area automatically rolls a summary into the public area (time takes longer because the 209 has to go through various servers). Looked through the other links that are available, and briefly discussed. Glottelty passed out a Web Page Management document which outlines the responsibilities associated with the FIREScope Website.

A copy of the letter from Freeman and Dougherty which was sent out to all agencies in the state was passed out. This letter let the agencies know about the Website and included an application for admission.

Glottelty proposed a Fire Safety Section, which relates to fire safety only. Some agencies have said they will not input a 209 but will input information on a safety page.

Action: Need to set up guidelines/objectives of the Website. Look up what old PRIME objectives were. Glottelty to research.

The Task Force had the following suggestions:

- Need to get all FIREScope agencies on Webpage as links. Should this just be the core agencies or all agencies in California that would like to be included as a link.
- Need to put NWCG as a link.
- Need to implement a counter.

Action: Glottelty to research.

Full Access Side

- Only shows 10 days, then info goes into archive.
- Viewed a 209,
- Glottelty to check with IT to see if the only input is in caps.
- Need to make sure 3 letter ids under agency head is a legal id.

Action: Glottelty to research.

NWCG Report - Alworth

- Passed out Instructions for Completion of ICS-220 Air Operations Summary (2/99). This is a final form, FIRESCOPE's comments have been incorporated in this document.
- Passed out FIRELINE HANDBOOK 1/98.
- Passed out Incident Complexity. This document will be reviewed and discussed in October. If this is accepted should be included in FIRELINE HANDBOOK. Some concerns on the Rating Sheet of this document. This is just a checklist. Would like Task Force input on this document at next meeting.
- Passed out Task Force Leader document. Allow Single Resource Boss to move up ladder, but qualify before they do. No guarantee that all experience will be gained in the positions that are required to qualify. This is not for California only but used in all states.
- Passed out Incident Intelligence Summary. Use this form but call a MACS form. This form looks into the future (24-48 hrs), which the MACS group normally addresses. The ICS 209 is a snapshot (1 hr). This new form will be discussed at next NWCG meeting. Need FIRESCOPE input so we will not be left out of the loop, and have to play catch up later. This could help ICS because there is a need to look beyond the 12 hour operational period. What is the use of this, customers? NWCG to NICC. MACS packet to Agency Admin before Conference Call. This was briefly discussed at Morro Bay Task Force Meeting. Ewan brought up, and decision was made not to change the ICS 209. ICS 209 shows where you are at, MACS 209 shows where you are going. Can build MACS 209 from ICS 209. This form is still flexible.
 - is this going to be 1 form or 2.
 - is this a planning tool or an operational
 - this document needs to be generic, all risk
 - is this MACS 209 a good revision starting point for the ICS 209.
 - have ICS 209 as front side, MACS as back. Review MACS 405 and see if any information is need.
- Position Manuals for Tech Spec GIS and Damage Inspection Mnemonics
 - Alworth to bring manuals for Task Force review.
- 208
 - Still working on approval/denial at the next meeting.
- IOSWT - reviews anything NWCG puts their stamp on.
- Need to have coordination and coordination with NIIMS, NWCG, CWCG, and FIRESCOPE. Research to see what protocols were put into place in the past, and see if they are being followed. NWCG's main concern is when a state falls below national standards. Suggestion to have FIRESCOPE Task Force and NWCG Working Group meet jointly. 2/8-9-10/00 in San Diego. Glotfelty try to set up meeting.

MACS FORMS

These reviews and changes are from the MACS Exercise Critique. Need to date all forms.

MACS 430	Change Incidents to Incident Name
MACS 422	Change SSM to FIREScope Assistant Chief.
	Agencies listed: Leave blank lines (12) Title Agencies Involved
	Remove GHQ
	Remove Computer Unit and Receptionist - leave boxes
MACS 423	Remove GHQ - Title will be MACS Agenda
	Remove GHQ everywhere listed, 9, 11, 13.
South Ops MACS 425	Switch OES and ORC darkout area.
	Delete State Mutual Aid.
	Delete Mutual Aid in each header.
	Delete RSS
Generic 425	Delete Region #
	Delete Agency ID
MACS 428	No changes
MACS 427	Remove OES on Handcrews
	Remove LFD on Handcrews
	Remove OES on Dozers
MACS 426	Make generic.
MACS 429 429A	Make Incident Name and Agency Block equal in size.

Action: Glotfelty to make changes and bring to next meeting.

ICS Forms Manual ICS 230-2

Group finished review of this document.

Action: Glotfelty to incorporate changes from last meeting and this meeting and have draft presentation for the next meeting.

Some discussion centered around whether we will use ICS Form 220 or use the NWCG sponsored form.

216 and 220 are the only forms that need decision on. Task Force to review 220 and bring comments to next meeting.

Action: LaPlant to have Comm Specialist Group to review 216.

Add T-Card -9 and -9A. Add 222-229.

Action: Glotfelty to have changes made for the next meeting.

MACS 010-1 Glossary of Terms - Glotfelty

Add RIC, Helitanker, Mayday, Emergency Traffic, Standby Member. Need to add definitions of terms frequently used in ICS documentation. Check NWCG Glossary and compare to FIREScope. Take all Glossaries in the FOG and compile all terms and call it ICS-010-1. Remove NIIMS off the cover and put FIREScope.

Action: Glotfelty to have changes made for the next meeting.

Action: George, Ralph, Gary, Rachel to conference with Scherr to see if we can grasp the historical aspect of the relationship with different agency (covers issue)

AIRS - Wurzell

BCP submitted to fund AIRS. Currently working agreement to keep Airs on line pending the approval.

SEMS Training Update- LaPlant

Tasked by Tech Group to review all the training. LE is complaining about redundancy in curriculum. Not in I-100 through 400. The way they have packaged the document it looks like all modules have to be taught. Need instructor qualifications. Don't change guts, just put out an Instructor Guide. They want to pick and choose which modules will be used. Change to Core 2-6, and they can pick from other modules as to what they need. SEMS CSTI is too complex to plug into other agency training because it departs from usefulness the agencies need. From Fire Service side we need standardized training. LE feels they should be able to choose, which waters down the training. CSTI and NWCG presented classes will be totally different from each other. Have not written EOC Courses yet. In the future need to have qualified trainers or let trainers come in and present the training. Want to have a larger scenario guide. Haney will be the contractor for these updates. Getting cooperation and input. SEMS is reviewed by Technical Group and then goes to the Advisory Committee. LEICS is an outgrowth from SEMS (Rosenberger and Cooney are Liaisons) setting standards for POST.

Day 2

410-1

Honeycutt led the group in a page by page review of the document. Changes were made.

Action: Honeycutt to make changes and bring to the next meeting.

410-2

Table until 9/99 meeting

Specialist Group Report

- Swiftwater: 8/30-31/99 next meeting at Mission Inn in Riverside. Would like to activate the US&R Specialist Group under FIREScope.
- PIE North: On break for summer. 9/9/99 next meeting at Chico.
- IT: New liaison is Gary Glotfelty with Chris Wurzell as backup.
- GIS: 9/9/99 meeting at Little T. Building a Resource Directory of GIS qualified personnel. ESRI going to a new version of ArcInfo, getting rid of ArcView.
- DI: Tech Spec Position Manual and product going to October 99 BOD meeting.

Agency Report

- Marrone: Working on his agency and OES radio equipment. Area E new coordinator will be Jim Cox. 2 Super Scoopers on duty 8/13/99.
- Ewan: New Assistant Director for Southern Operations Samuel Larry.
- Olney: Purchasing 1 truck, 2 engines.
- LaPlant - Priority Dispatch Code/No Code is an issue. Some cities do not want to buy in. Capitol improvements coming along. Waiting for Fire Season.

Next Meeting

Wurzell passed out a sign up list for group, need by August 30. Meeting 9/14-15/99. Start at 0930 first day.