TF 99-12

Task Force 99-12 December 1-2, 1999 Santa Barbara, CA

Present:

G. Ewan, USFS

A. Rosenberger, SBC

K. Larkin, CDF

N. Honeycutt, OES

G. Glotfelty, OES

Tony Marrone, LAC

G. West, LFD

C. Wurzell, CDF

M. LaPlant, VNC

R. Parks, OES Support Staff

J. Olney, KRN

Absent:

R. McKinney

L. Caldwell

M. Colgan, ORC

ICS 230-2

Glotfelty

Task Force finished reviewed. Changes being made. Will have draft document for next meeting.

MACS 410-1

Honeycutt

FIRESCOPE Website Update

Table til next meeting.

FOGS

Glotfelty. Has folder for changes to next revision

Glossary of Terms

Glotfelty

Need to get Zones, DI, and GACC definitions for the revised document. Criteria in document. Must be in one or more of documents.

Orientation Packet

Honeycutt

Internal and external packets in development. Still in outline form. Will have outline for group at next meeting.

MACS Exercise South

Glotfelty

May 10, 2000. This will be a review in the South, with the exercise being in the North. The North group will be invited to attend. There will also be a televised

broadcast to the North. Before the review the Task Force needs to review all the MACS forms before the exercise.

- 1. Start with video (have copy North and South)
- 2. Review facility
- 3. Review forms packet (blank)
- 4. Fill out forms
- 5. Review exercise
- 6. Review conference call form and protocol

MACS North

Honeycutt

May 17, 2000. Redding. Mode 3, 8 fires, drawdown for resources, add new fire with large resource needs. Follow through into Mode 4. Add a fire that would make the group work with a city fire department. Some concerns were raised that the exercise needs to be kept simple since it is their first exercise and need to learn the process. If the group is proceeding along well add the new scenario, if taking longer that scenario would be left out.

MACS 410-2

Glotfelty

Table until next meeting.

NWCG

Alworth

310-1, 99 version

Some states voiced opinions that the standards were too high. Have to resolve problems, or states might not participate.

National Mobilization - misunderstood, reading only certain sections, not whole document. Add to glossary, National Mobilization and Geographic Area.

Formalized vs on-the-job training - states concerned because it is a big cost impact. Reviewed all position training.

S-205, moved to Strike Team level.

S-230 will be rewritten, with Urban Interface skills added.

S-230 to be changed to Single Resource Boss.

S-231, 232, 233, moved from required to skills and knowledge needed.

S-390 moved to Division Group Supervisor.

Ops Chief, added S

S-420 will be rewritten with emphasis on LCES and safety.

Skills and knowledge needed, changed to Additional Training Which Supports Position Development.

Fire Use Working Group Team

S-492, 493, hard courses. Drop these classes.

Prescribed Fire Analyst changed to Long Term Technical Specialist Ignition Specialist, Firing Boss were left as separate positions.

Prescribed Fire Monitor and Field Observer were left as separate positions. Fire Effect Monitor

These changes will appear in the new 310-1. After 1 more review, by lead agency head, will go to print. FIRESCOPE will not be hurt by any of these changes.

Training level on incident - getting PTB, which does not fully qualify, or getting Operational Periods to become qualified. Need to work on this to tell the difference between the 2.

Process for providing 310-1 input - FIRESCOPE, Agency, Geographic Area, Western States Rep. Work on specific ways for input to document.

National Mobilization to high - maybe you do not belong because do not meet the qualifications. Safety issue.

ICS 208

Safety and Health Committee, NWCG, reviewing form. Will not endorse the form. Invited FIRESCOPE to write a letter explaining, signed by Freeman, irregardless of what committee says, what the merits of the form are and how they meet the OSHA 10 standards. Need to explain that the IC needs this form to perform duties and responsibilities.

Action: Ewan to write draft letter, give to Freeman for review and briefing, and approval.

Action Taken: It has been decided that a letter will not be written for Chief Freeman to sign, instead the Task Force will ask the Hazmat Specialist Group to write an Issue Paper discussing the implications and use of the ICS Form 208 HM. This paper will be presented to the NWCG Health and Safety Working Group in Reno in February. The Hazmat Specialist Group needs to determine who from that group will present this paper in Reno. Date of the meeting is February xx, 2000.

GIS and DI, agreed to assign mnemonics.

ICS 209 - group may have been mislead. Alworth passed out old ICS 209 and the suggested 209. Ewan to find out at next meeting, National Coordinators Meeting in San Louis.

Single Resource Boss/Division Supervisor Flow Chart (yellow) Comparison of 1993 and 1999

Type 2 Hand Crew (blue)

Type 1 is specific, all else is Type 2. IOS to review standards. See if a Type 3 is needed, or Support Crew for CCC Crew designation. Alworth would like input from Task Force on this issue.

Action: Give feedback on what a Type 2 should be, should there be a Type 3, Type 4, where does CCC fit, etc. by end of January. Ewan to begin draft.

Incident Management Teams (pink)

Problems is when team comes out of California, there is no consistency. Information only.

The Incident Command System - 20 Years Later This document was passed out for review.

Action: Ewan, Wurzell, Glotfelty to review and make comments, get back to Alworth.

Interagency Certs and Quals

Larkin

Passed out California Fire Service Incident Management Qualifications System "Draft E". 11-4-99 presented to State Board of Fire Services, this is a document that would meet the needs of both groups, lines out the certification, how it works, the review committees, the PTB, ensure experience and training is met. Want to mirror 310-1, stay within National Standards, get local government qualified in ICS, creditability of people coming out of program.

Who will manage the system, OES or CDF-SFM? This has not been decided. This will be a large job which will need staff dedicated to it. Reference was made that OES might handle the database and ordering, with CDF-SFM handling the paperwork and certificates.

This proposal will discussed more at the next State Board of Fire Services, 2/3/99, then discussed with FIRESCOPE Joint Operations Teams, which will report to the BOD.

Discussion centered around the need for a statewide database, available to all agencies to access, to view personnel's training and qualifications. Many people believe this already exists but after discussion it was determined that it does not exist. Partial systems do exist but are not available to all agencies.

IQS Software is available (NASF, NWCG) for tracking of certifications and qualifications, but does not interact with other local areas, unless it is networked on a server/system.

Personnel would remain on their local agency/unit database, unless they decided they wanted to go to the statewide database.

310-1 basically meets the wildland needs. The FOG meets some other disaster needs. This new database needs to identify and maintain the separate disciplines such as wildfire, floods, urban search and rescue, civil disturbance, hazardous materials, and many others.

Action: Have comments back to Keith Larkin by next Task Force meeting.

Swiftwater/Flood Rescue OSD

Olney

Attended 10/99 Swiftwater Meeting. Need to get US&R Specialist Group back together as soon as possible to work on this.

Passed out OES Swiftwater/Flood Rescue Operational System Description draft document dated 10/99.

Action: Task Force needs to review this document and bring comments back to the group at the January Task Force meeting.

Line EMT

Marrone

Passed out Fire Line E.M.T. document which he had put together as a draft beginning document. 1-2 are Forest Service document.

Marrone suggested the Task Force put together a list of questions or statements.

Ewan, when this item surfaced 4 years ago, it was hung up on the licenses, rules, regulations, etc. At the recent Joint Ops meeting where this issue resurfaced need to look at standardization of the individuals outfitting (PPE, proper dress, water, etc.). In the ICS organization where does this position fit, Technical Specialist or does a position need to be established. Task Force needs to get clarification from BOD on legal issues.

Action: Continue work with Fire Line EMT Group, Marrone, West, Wurzell.

Action: Approach Joint Operations Teams regarding issues of licensing, rules, regulations, the legal aspects of this position. Do not want to open up channels for possible lawsuits.

FEMT is the mnemonics for this position. Title is Fire Line EMT.

Action: Wurzell to talk with Riverside County Health Coordinator, Larkin to talk with State EMSA, Marrone to talk with LA County, for their opinions on this issue.

In the training area, is their special training needed to leave a FEMT with a patient for extended time (night, smoke, etc).

FEMT will have minimum qualifications. This is a field position.

Task Force reviewed document. Marrone made changes, will bring to next meeting.

FEMT would report to the Medical Unit Leader, but assigned to Division/Group Supervisor. This needs to be looked at more closely.

Job Aides

Glotfelty

Update, S-430, some charts need to be replaced.

Action: Glotfelty to make changes, and send to printer (2 months).

PIE/PIO

Honeycutt

Issue - ongoing Cowan (CSTI), wants to make PIO into a section. Passed out an email on this issue.

Action: Ewan to write a letter to Dougherty with a copy of the email.

Y2K Hazmat

Honeycutt

Passed out memo regarding Hazardous Materials Teams - by Region Fire based Hazmat Teams available are listed by Region on this paper. Honeycutt (with Cooney OK) is going to look closer to make sure these numbers are correct.

SEMS Matrix

Rosenberger

Passed out document with SEMS Matrix, FYI only. Will work with Colgan to develop complete project.

Weblinks

Honeycutt/Glotfelty

On the FIRESCOPE Website, which agencies will have a link button. If this becomes a bigger issue, the Task Force will review again. But for the present time, any agency that has a legitimate agency website will have a link button.

Work Plan

The Task Force reviewed this document. Revisions will be made and new document given out at 1/25-26/00 meeting.

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Address & Liaison List

Reviewed and made changes.

Weather Specialist

The group Wurzell is working with chooses not to participate with FIRESCOPE. They feel they want to work with CWCG instead. The Task Force feels this is not a good situation an would like the group to come back under the umbrella of FIRESCOPE.

Action: Ewan to prepare a presentation to the FIRESCOPE BOD regarding reactivating the Weather Specialists Group at next meeting.

Next Meeting

1/25-26/00	SLO - Quality Suites	Larkin
2/9-10/00	San Diego w/ IOSWT	Glotfelty/Ewan
3/15-16/00	Sacramento - Mather	Honeycutt
4/5-6/00	Riverside	Glotfelty
5/3/00	Riverside	Glotfelty
5/10/00	Redding	Honeycutt
6/5/00	Palm Desert	Wurzell
7/13-14/00	Bucks Lake	with Jt Ops
8/00	Catalina	Marrone
9/00		West
10/00	Pacific Grove	Larkin
11/00		
12/00	Santa Barbara	Rosenberger

Pismo Beach Joint Ops 1/27-28/00