

FIRESCOPE TASK FORCE MEETING

DECEMBER 13, 1995

USFS Logistics Center - Ontario

I. Review OSPR meeting

- Resource typing for oil spill equipment
- FOG - approval by Task Force, inclusion of locals in Unified Command
- Adoption of NIIMS/ICS

II. High Rise (Memorandum attached by Task Force member John Tucker)

- State Fire Marshal - will support Firescope direction
- L.A. City, L.A. County and Orange County still have differing opinions
- The National Fire Academy teaches "Firescope ICS"
- Discuss the approach to the Ops Team on this issue - Ralph raised the opinion that this was issue beginning to look like "Groundhog Day"
- Difficult to reach consensus on this issue
- Discuss potential for new players, ideas in High Rise Specialist Group
- Discuss state funding for north/south air travel
- Ray Russell to attend next Specialist Group meeting

III. MACS

- Discuss recreated MACS 410-1 (More generic)
- Discuss position checklist
- Change name of Agency Rep? (MACS Rep?) (Other?)
- Expansion of OCC role? Jim Jeffery is the only person assigned. Neil Honeycutt will appoint a replacement if Jim is assigned elsewhere
- Should we plan on doing a MACS exercise before next fire season?
Discuss other responsibilities each member has on their plates.

IV. HAZMAT

- Special meeting of Specialist Group February 5/6 1996 at Ventura County Fire Headquarters - go over OSD etc. page by page
- Site safety plan - still being worked on

V. TRAIN THE TRAINER HANDOFF SESSIONS

- Still some limited availability - applications need to get in yesterday

Rec'd 3/11/96

VI. INFORMATION SYSTEMS

- Discuss system compatibility - discussed private company (3-COM) can provide "translators" between disparate systems
- Needs assessment underway for PRIME
- Need to tie in with "CAD consortium"

VII. NWCG

- Fireline Handbook changes - FSTP requirements
- Helicopter typing changes - (wide disparity in types - #s personnel)
- Need decision on "I", "J" and "F" courses from Task Force

VIII. COMMUNICATIONS

- Public Safety Wireless Advisory Committee - Due to reconfiguration of the radio spectrum (narrower band widths, more frequencies), digital capabilities required in hardware in January 1996. Within a few years all present hardware will be unusable. Report from committee by September 1996
- Fire service needs for additional frequencies for packet, video, etc.
- Frequency sharing agreement - done by mail this time around

IX. DEMOB FORM

- North reps liked form

X. ROUNDTABLE

Respectfully submitted,
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