

**FIRESCOPE TASK FORCE
TEMECULA CALIFORNIA
FEBRUARY 16-17, 2005**

Mike LaPlant – VNC	Steve Hutchison – CDF	Todd Newman - SMC
Alton Mc Millon – SCR	Dan Drake – ORC	Tom Drayer – OES (Guest)
Bob Praytor – OES	Ralph Domanski – USFS	
Jack Froggatt – KRN	Pat O'Bannon - OES	

February 16, 2005

The meeting began at 0900.

MINUTES

The minutes of the January, 2005 meeting were unavailable.

WELCOME

Chief Ed McOrmond of the Pechanga Fire Department welcomed the group. He discussed the growth of his department their jurisdiction and the surrounding area overall. He discussed upcoming activities.

Report on the Joint Operations Team Meeting (January 27-28, 2005)

AIR OPERATIONS SPECIALIST GROUP

Discussed the formation of this Specialist Group. There is a potential for a widespread list of attendees and scope of interests. Chair will be requesting additional guidance on scope and membership. Charter to be drafted during March Taskforce Meeting.

2004 FOG Changes

The Ops Team requested that the Taskforce develop a summary of significant changes to the FOG. Primarily the HazMat and USAR OSD's. Liaisons will be requesting help on this from Specialist groups.

FIRESCOPE ORGANIZATION CHART

Ops Team requested an Organizational Chart be developed to depict FIRESCOPE levels and relationships. OES to prepare this document.

MAC 410-4 MODIFICATION - UNIFICATION OF NORTH AND SOUTH OPS TEAMS

The Joint Ops Teams voted to recommend unification of the North and South Teams. Cursory review by Taskforce with no further action until after BOD approval of concept.

TYPE THREE INCIDENT DEFINITIONS/DESCRIPTIONS

Mark Linane provided presentation on inconsistencies of definitions/descriptions of Type 3 organizations and qualifications. Also discussed was the relationship of the team typing to FOG applications (i.e. Initial Attack, Extended Attack, and Major Incident). Linane, Olney, Klineman to meet and address.

DEMOBILIZATION DEFINITION

Taskforce definitions were rejected to the Joint Ops Team. Accepted "Planned Need" and "Immediate Need". Domanski to develop talking points for upcoming Federal and State Team meetings.

MACS Exercises

The South MAC Exercise will take place on April 27-28, 2005. Task Force will be meeting on the 26th. Domanski will pull 209's for October 25, 2003 for basis of the exercise.

North MAC Orientation will take place on May 11 with a Task Force meeting on May 10th.

Task Force will place Exercise/Orientation development on March agenda.

MACS 410-1

Pat O'Bannon presented his final draft. Task Force to send forward after March meeting. Request approval by Ops Team via conference call. To BOD April 13, 2005. Document to be used during 2005 MACS Exercise and Orientation.

AMBULANCE STRIKE TEAM

Pat O'Bannon and Alton McMillon reported on the progress of the EMSA AST Task Force meeting. The Taskforce will continue to monitor the development of this concept.

WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION AND THE INCIDENT COMMAND SYSTEM

The Task Force decided to begin developing guidelines for the implementation of the ICS on WMD related incidents. This will be on the March agenda. OES Law representative (Denny Bean) will attend the March meeting.

THREE LETTER ID's

Pat O'Bannon discussed three letter ID assignments and the relationship to the NIFC process. Informational only. No action.

NWCG / FIRESCOPE INTEGRATION AND COLLISIONS

The Task Force discussed the problem of mnemonics that is not consistent within the fire service. Ralph Domanski will work with the dispatchers at South Ops to review the multiple lists of mnemonics, identify the scope of the problem, and report back to the Task Force at the next meeting. Taskforce recommended changing Heavy Equipment and Rigging Specialist mnemonic to ERSF from HERS (Helicopter Repel Spotter).

FORMS RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN NWCG AND FIRESCOPE

Meeting to review forms for ownership and priority for update was postponed.

JOINT INFORMATION CENTER

The use of the Joint Information Center as a term to describe a central clearing-house for incident related information that is sensitive to incident assigned agencies. The group discussed the use of the Incident Information Center as a single point of release and the complexities of the use of a second outlet.

NWCG TRAINING WORKING TEAM AGENDA AND MINUTES

Training Working Team Agenda and Minutes distributed and discussed. No Action.

SPECIALIST AND WORKING GROUP REPORTS

High Rise – Discussed progress in the establishment of this group.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

April 26, 2005 Riverside – South Ops
April 27 & 28, 2005 Riverside – MACS Exercise
May 10, 2005 Redding – North Ops
May 11, 2005 Redding – North Ops MAC Orientation
June 7 & 8, 2005 San Diego – San Marcos Fire Department

ROUND TABLE

All members present reported on current events and issues for their respective Departments.

The meeting adjourned at 11:30 A.M. February 17, 2005