



**TASK FORCE
San Diego, CA
February 23, 24, 2011**

Attendees

Dave Stone – LAC
Orbrad Darbro-CNT
Tom Drayer – CalEMA
Woody Enos – SBC

Jim Crawford - LAC
Dan Drake - ORC
Kris Concepcion- ORC
Ramiro Rodriguez – SFM

Jeff Carle - SND
Ralph Allworth -CDF
Ron Rusten – USF
Mike LaPlant – VNC

Chief Carle welcomed the Task Force to San Diego.

Agenda Review and Additions.

Review of January minutes- Approved.

Cal EMA report/ BOD meeting – Drayer

A survey went out to the BOD related to a conference related to the future of FIRESCOPE. Chief Roper has requested that a couple of members from the Task Force and the Ops Team be in attendance. All State agencies are receiving a 20% cut to the budgets. There are two candidates vying for the Director position of Cal Ema. Chief Mike Dayton and Mark Ghirlarducci are the two who hope to succeed the retiring director.

State Fire Training – Rodriguez

Chief Hoover received recognition from Cal Chiefs for the State Fire Marshall. Chief Hoover is currently the Acting State Fire Marshall. State Fire Training is down 3 positions so the workload has been distributed to others. Chief Dave Stone is part a of curriculum cadre for Command 1 C.

NIMS Update – Stone

Chief Stone is the FIRESCOPE representative to the NIMS Incident Management Working Group and he provided an update to the Task Force. Chief Hollingsworth is still is a SME for the NIMS Incident Management working Group and retired Chief Greg West is also still a SME. The Task Force discussed the importance of continued representation from FIRESCOPE to this group.



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Structure Protection Guidelines-All

Members reviewed the approved version of the Structure Protection Guidelines and the revised version created by Kelly Gouette of CalFire.

Action Item;

Dave Stone and Jim Crawford will take both Documents and merge them. Then Stone and Crawford will create two final documents. One will be a guidance document and another document will be an addition to the FOG.

Jesusita Fire Review-Drayer

Members reviewed notes from the Ops Team meeting related to the Jesusita Burn-overs to develop possible solutions from the lessons learned at Jesusita.

Action Item;

Direct the Predictive Services Working Group to devise a mechanism for distribution fire behavior safety alerts when criteria reach the high risk category. Additionally develop a template for the distribution of local information and prior planning to incoming units (Spot Fire behavior forecast).

Members discussed the benefit or lack thereof separation of Structure protection functional components from Divisions. Should there be an elimination of Structure protection branch and combine coordination of structure protection within divisions to the geographical Branch.

Use of SCBA's as a last resort was discussed. The SCBAs are a tool but judgment needs to be used as to how to rely on that tool for making a stand vs. survival.

Action Item;

Stone and Crawford will cover the use of SCBA's while rewriting the WUI document.

FIRESCOPE vs. NWCG Resource Typing Standards

After much discussion it was determined to recommend an adjustment of the FOG to reflect Strike teams of Engines (Types I, II, III and VI) with letter designators ABC and F with Engine typing 1-7 reflected as single resources.



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Discussion of the Adoption of NWCG/NIMS engine typing. It was determined in December that the Task Force would recommend that FIRESCOPE adopts NWCG/NIMs Engine and Water Tender typing standards.

CSG/Narrow-Banding White 1 and 2-LaPlant

Conference call was held with Communication Specialist Group Chair Pete Lawrence. Task Force members held a discussion of the elimination of White 2 and 3. Narrow-banded versions with nomenclature changes will replace White 2 and 3. New Nomenclature will be VFIRE 22, 23 and 26. CalFire is narrow-banding and tone protecting the CalFire Tacticals. Any documents with Federal frequencies need to be password protected on the Website.

Accountability Guidelines-Enos

Members discussed the accountability guidelines document created by the Safety Specialist Group. Members need clarification of Page 5 #2 related to definition of "Rescue/recovery plan".

Identify or clarify who is responsible for post incident summary.

Action Item;

Enos to get clarifications and revision to the document from the Safety Specialist Group.

Protective Action Guidelines

Members reviewed the latest version of the protective action guidelines. Members agreed to recommend approval of the guidelines.

Fire line Paramedic

Fire line Paramedic checklist for the FOG needs to be formatted.

Action Item;

Enos to forward direction to the EMS specialist group to properly format the checklist so it can be added to the FOG.

Plan of Work Review-All



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Members reviewed and revised the FIRESCOPE plan of work and held a discussion of the annual MACS exercise/orientation.

Action Item;

Chief Drayer will work with Chief Torrez to schedule dates for North and South Ops MACS exercises.

Chief Drayer presented the design for a FIRESCOPE challenge coin and a proposal for an iphone application for the Field Operation Guide.

Website Review-All

No Changes.

2/23/11 Meeting adjourned at 1700

0830 2/24/11

Working and Specialist Group Reports

Aviation – Drayer
Communications- LaPlant
Safety- Enos
EMS- Enos
GIS – Drayer
USAR – No Report
High-rise- Carle
Hazardous Materials – Darbro
Predictive Services- No Report

Safety Zone Definition Conference Call

Chief Drayer reported to the members a conference call with Chief Rueda related to the problematic definition of Safety Zones in the WUI environment.



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FOG Chapters approved to date;

- Multi Casualty
- Haz Mat/Mass Decon
- Protective Actions
- Planning
- Finance
- US&R
- WMD
- High-rise

Uncompleted Action Items;

GIS specialist group will review the Map symbolology for the FOG.

Org Guides-. Members of the Task Force need to revisit Fixed Wing Support Leader in Organizational Guides

Engine and Tender Typing needs to be consistent with NWCG/NIMS in the FOG revision (Ops team needs to approve)

Need a place holder in the FOG for ARFFs and build out the typing.

FOG job duty builds out for Fire line Paramedic in Chapter 19 FEMP needs to be completed in August 2011.

Review of upcoming meetings

March 15, 16 – Los Gatos

April 14, 15 – Paso Robles

June 7, 8 – San Francisco

June 9, 10 – Ops Team, San Francisco

Roundtable

Members gave report outs on their home agencies.
Meeting Adjourned.



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