

**FIRESCOPE TASK FORCE  
SHELL BEACH  
January 24 & 25, 2006**

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Bob Praytor – OES  
Dan Drake – ORC  
Dave Stone – LAC  
Geoff Wilford – KRN

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Todd Newman – SMC

Greg West – LFD  
Tim Fike – NCC  
Art Torrez –USFS  
Tom Drayer – OES

**January 24, 2006**

The meeting began at 0930.

Chief Schmitt of the Santa Barbara County Fire Department arrived to welcome the Task Force to Shell Beach.

December meeting notes were reviewed. Brad Darbro to convert notes to minutes for Task Force review in February.

The agenda was reviewed with no additions.

**FORMS REVIEW LIST RESULTS**

The Task Force discussed Agency reps and differing definitions.

Action:

Add to the Task Force plan of work, Agency Rep Job Aid that is useful to the California Fire Service and exportable to the National Fire Service.

Task Force reviewed list of forms and changes to be made that were identified at the Riverside Task Force Meeting in December.

**SPECIALIST GROUP REVIEW**

The Task Force discussed the need to reconstitute a Training Specialist Group and the overall need to review all the Specialist and Working groups.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING REPORT**

Bob Praytor reported to the Task Force on the BOD meeting in San Marcos January 11, 2006.

**HELECOPTER HIGH RISE TEAMS**

The Task Force discussed Helicopter High-rise Teams and the interest in them. The discussion led to the Los Angeles City Fire Department and how helicopters are used on

high-rise events such as rescue evacuations, fire operations and terrorist incidents with law enforcement personnel.

The Task Force agreed that these types of teams and the events they may be used on are agency specific and typing or definitions are not needed at this time.

### **NATIONAL MUTUAL AID EMERGENCY RESOURCE MOBILIZATION PLAN**

Greg West did a “Power Point” presentation of a draft Emergency Resource Mobilization Plan.

### **FIRE INCIDENT MECHANIC TYPING**

The Task Force discussed typed fire mechanics and a review of a draft document presented by Dave Stone. The Task Force decided to discuss the issue with Ralph Alworth on January 26, 2006. Discussions will be about how the concept works with NWCG issues. How to proceed will be decided at a later date.

### **LIFE SAFETY HAZARD MARKING**

The Safety Specialist group is working on proposals regarding different systems that are in use. The Task Force discussed hazards other than electrical that need to be identified. The use of fireline tape may not be adequate as firefighters may still move into a hazard identified by tape. There needs to be a clear identification of areas that even firefighters are not allowed to enter.

### **FIRESCOPE ORG CHART AND LOGO**

The Task Force discussed and reviewed a draft org chart. The members discussed the possibility of using department names as opposed to individuals to allow the chart to require fewer revisions.

Action;

Task Force members are to review the current rosters and make corrections prior to the creation of the final org chart.

The FIRESCOPE logo was discussed and a decision needs to be made whether or not to change the logo prior to the printing of a new FOG.

### **FIRESCOPE ORIENTATION DOCUMENT**

Todd Newman distributed the latest draft of the FIRESCOPE orientation document. The Task Force reviewed the document for suggestions.

Action;

Task Force members are to review the document and email suggestions to Todd Newman.

### **MACS 400-1**

The Task Force discussed the revision of the current MACS 400-1.

Action;

Task Force members are to review content and work as a group next meeting in February and add the task to the Plan of Work.

### **CDF REPRESENTATION**

The Task Force discussed the current vacancies of CDF and State Fire Training on the Task Force with the retirement of Bill Plough and the reassignment of Steve Hutchison.

Action;

Task Force to report to OP's team that the Task Force is short without the CDF representation and to request clarification regarding State Fire Training representation.

### **FIRE COMMUNICATIONS**

Dave Stone reported to the Task Force regarding the Communications Specialist Group.

Meeting adjourned at 1600.

January 25, 2006

Meeting started at 0830

Mike LaPlant Joined group for second day of the meeting.

### **REPRESENTATION ON TASK FORCE**

Mike discussed with the Task Force the content of his pending communication to the OP's Team regarding;

State Fire Marshall Rep on the Task Force  
CDF Rep on the Task Force  
Cities North Rep on the Task Force

State Fire Marshal is becoming more active and work is pending for a Training Specialist Group.

Steve Hutchison is on leave to DHS and may not be able to represent the State Fire Marshal.

DHS may serve FIREScope on the Board of Directors as well as the Task Force.

### **SPECIALIST/GROUP REPORTS**

Greg West reported that the Safety Group is finishing with ICS 9-10 and will be submitting the revision to the Task Force.

Group is working with the Safety Hazard Identification issue.

Tom Tornell has retired from the Santa Clara County Fire and was currently serving as the Chairperson.

Safety Officers worksheet is under review by the group.

The Task Force discussed the benefits of meeting at South Ops with regards to learning more about the Website.

Brad Darbro discussed the Haz-Mat Specialist group work status and the request of the Chair to approach the Task Force with Website recommendations.

Task Force reinforced that any product or document that goes on the website must be FIREScope approved and that it must first go through the liaison to the Task Force for review. In addition, the liaisons should monitor communications on the website and make sure that there are no endorsements for products or vendors on the website. If any vendors place advertising on the website, it shall be deleted.

Bob Praytor reported that the Aviation Specialists are holding discussions regarding how to use military aircraft. In addition, The Aviation Specialists need to complete the charter that was provided by the Task Force.

Dave Stone will be contacting Alton McMillon to collect documents related to work on the High-rise Specialist group. Stone will report on the group at a later date.

Stone also reported on the Communications Specialist group. The Dispatcher Training program that they presented in November will need more development. The Task Force agreed that the concept needs to evolve through local agencies. FIREScope will not be involved at this time. Stone will encourage them to present the concept to local and operational areas for further development and deployment.

The USAR Specialist group needs to review the OSD and revise the document.

Predictive services will meet in the spring.

Action;

All liaisons need to remind the Specialist and Working groups to not conflict with Task Force meetings when scheduling group meetings.

### **FIRESCOPE ORG CHART**

Work is currently under way to create an updated FIRESCOPE org chart. In order to complete this task, the current membership rosters of the BOD, OP's team and Task Force need to be accurate.

Action;

All members are to review the current rosters and corrections submitted to Tom Drayer as soon as possible.

Once completed, the org chart will be included in the final draft of the orientation package and also on the FIRESCOPE website.

### **TRAINING WORKING TEAM (NWCG) REPORT**

Geoff Wilford of Kern County, who represents the FIRESCOPE Task Force on the NWCG Training working team, presented a report on the Training Working Team.

Wilford pointed out that FIRESCOPE is the only group that meets on a regular basis to monitor and improve the ICS command structure.

Significant issues under way;

- Restructuring curriculum
- Task Books
- Instructor qualifications
- Development of core competencies

Lunch

Task Force discussed a letter and discussed follow-up regarding Structure protection and other issues in San Bernardino County.

### **STRUCTURE PROTECTION SPECIALIST TASK BOOK**

Task Force reviewed and discussed a draft Structure Protection Specialist Task Book.

Issues;

Task I- Does Task I need all items incorporated in the checklist?

Task II- Acceptable

Task III- Acceptable

Task IV- Acceptable

Task V- Acceptable

Task VI- W instead of O. Use the term “Perform” as opposed to “Assist”

Task VII- Acceptable

Task VIII- Expand the check list with items such as;

Trigger Points

Evacuation Routes

Shelter Locations

Law Enforcement Contacts,

Task IX- Acceptable ECT.

Task X- Include additional bullet point for 215 AW

Task XI- Acceptable

Task XII- Acceptable

Task XIII- Add bullet to “Evaluate and modify plan as necessary”. I as opposed to W

Tasks XIII through XVIII- I as opposed to W

### **FOG REVIEW**

Task Force discussed and developed a plan to the FOG review and rewrite. A deadline of October 1, 2006 was established with the project beginning in February at Camp 2.

Action;

All Task Force members are to review the front cover to Chapter 6 to prepare for review in February.

Task Force outlined future chapter reviews as follows;

March-Chapters 7-12

April- Chapters 13-17

May- Chapters 18-End

### **PLAN OF WORK**

The Task Force reviewed and updated the 2006 Plan of Work.

### **ROUND TABLE**

### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

OP's Team-January 24, 25 2006-Shell Beach

Task Force-February 15, 16 2006-Los Angeles County

Task Force-March 22-23, 2006-Paso Robles

Task Force-April 19, 20 2006-San Pedro

Task Force-May 16, 17 2006-Redding (MACS Exercise)

Task Force-June, 2006-Riverside

