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Florida Association for Search and Rescue

A Professional Interest Section of the Florida Fire Chiefs' Association

MISSION

Unify and coordinate the efforts of SAR Responders in the State of Florida.

FASAR Business Meeting July 18, 2015

Introductions – Todd Livingston

roll call - completed

Installation of Vice Chair and odd number region reps

Nomination Committee for Chair, Secretary and even region reps - Vice Chair and Immediate Past Chair

DHS Funding Update – preparing for 2016 grant cycle including developing strategy for funding. 2014 should be completed and begin working on 2015. ESF 4/9 now being covered as well. Need to get support for ESF 4/9 positions in SEOC. TF 5 and 7 can assist with short term activations.

Work Group Reports –

LTRT - Bill Moyer has retired. Bart Walker will be heading up Wilderness S&R.

Light Technical Rescue WG need chair.

ADSAR- working on load plans for aircraft

Alliance for State Urban Search and Rescue Report – FASAR has been active in this group. Integral in helping develop typing and validation for SUSAR. Finishing the validation of Type 1 and 2, working on validating Type 3 and 4, and will reach out to FASAR Type 3 and 4 teams to participate in validation

Federal US&R report - typing and federal US&R strategic plan in progress and new Task Force Leader program. Developing an on line training platform for specialty positions through TEEX.

Federal typing and catalog ad hoc report - working with type 1 and 2 teams finalizing administration portion and moving to operational side. Federal cache list is now recommended list. Cache list is capability based list and not finite list of equipment. Completing initial evaluations and looking to evaluate those that meet Federal Type 3 and 4. Evaluation of Wilderness S&R and volunteer groups will also be finalized.

CERFP report – training members for team. Any training needs from Camp Blanding, let Chuck know.

Report by Region

Region 1 – started quarterly meetings with light tech teams. All teams deployable. Training with all teams with teams sending members and 1 instructor. Alabama has made offer to train with Florida teams in panhandle.

Region 2 – no report

Region 3 – Operation Integration coming up. TF has been training as well

Region 4 – Pinellas TRT did joint training in Pasco County at Duke Energy Plant with local fire dept.

Region 5 – TF 4 has been conducting a lot of canine S&R training

Region 6 – no report

Region 7 – no report

New Business

National Guard and FWC training for ADSAR - Air Ops for TF's to be moved. When funding was tight, no funding for air ops. Sept 19, 20 Operation Integration will have large operation involving air ops with National Guard. Search portion will be conducted by National Guard and FWC to bring team to site. Also utilizing drones via National Guard and another piece of this operation. Will be able to exercise all of the issues with FAA and other agencies for use of drones in S&R. TF 4 has been training with FWC air ops with their canine assets.

UAV project - utilizing for wide area search. August 20th will be UAV conference at FSFC to discuss operations and requirements for use of UAV's.

Geosuite Project geo-mapping capability that provides real-time access to damage assessment and sit-reps. Was able to train TF 1 and 4 on the fly at last operation integration. This allowed real-time update of activities at both sites not only from command post but at SEOC and FSFC. Should be a priority for the state to make this technology available to all TF's for use. FASAR should push up through FFCA to DEM.

TJ Lyons - SERP revision was approved at Board meeting. Need to work on roster forms for specialty US&R teams. Need mission ready package types for specific teams.

Adjourn

Next meeting at Fire Rescue East in January 2016