



# 2022 TECHNICAL RESCUE TEAM WORK GROUP MEETING

JULY 15, 2022

- 1) Roll Call
- 2) SERT TRAC
  - a) June 2022 (38 out of 41 teams on Master List)
    - i) Verification of availability as of July 2022
      - (1) Region 1-5 reported (all teams reported)
      - (2) Region 3-4 reported (2 teams not reported)
      - (3) Region 4-7 reported (all teams reported)
      - (4) Region 5-0 reported (no teams reported)
      - (5) Region 6-9 reported (all teams reported)
      - (6) Region 7-0 reported (no teams reported)
  - b) TRT-312 (Flagler) meeting next month to evaluate
- 3) FSM Standard Operating Procedure- Process for qualifying new Technical Rescue Teams
  - a) Have draft final
  - b) Submit ORE to TRT Work Group Leader and FSM USAR Coordinator
  - c) Schedule a site visit
  - d) ORE-90% or higher
- 4) Fire Departments with TRT Interest (8)
  - a) Walton County Fire Rescue (Region 1)
  - b) Alachua County Fire Rescue (Region 3)
  - c) City of High Springs (Region 3)
  - d) City of Melbourne (Region 5)
  - e) Brevard County Fire Rescue (Region 5) (scheduling a visit soon)
  - f) Delray Beach (Region 7)
  - g) City of Miami (Region 7)
  - h) City of Coral Gables (Region 7)
- 5) FDEM Grant Update
  - a) \$3.9 million for 8-TFs and 40-TRTs to provide equipment, training, and exercises.
  - b) \$5.8 million for tractors, cargo trailers, forklifts, and utility vehicles
  - c) Chief Downey-small committee to determine distribution
    - i) Mike Zielonka is Logistics Coordinator
    - ii) John Kohnke is Program Manager
  - d) Monies just now available
    - i) Advised that monies increased to \$12,000 per team. Teams increased to 42. (7/25/22)
  - e) Possibility of TRT to get used tractors, cargo trailers, forklifts, and utility vehicles
  - f) There will be NO advancement of funds, reimbursement ONLY
  - g) There will be NO change orders once a list of items are approved for each team



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- h) No purchase orders or acquisitions are to be made until the recipient department receives a fully executed funding agreement back from DEM Contract to be sent to team coordinators and Fire Chiefs to be signed and returned to FDEM
  - i) Monies need to be spent by June 2023
  - j) Start preparing now by earmarking needed equipment
- 6) State Training provided USAR Training
- a) TRT came through with filling classes that had openings (36 members attended)
    - (1) Rope Operations-9
    - (2) Rope Technician-6
    - (3) Confined Space Operations/Technician-2
    - (4) VMR Operations-4
    - (5) VMR Technician-4
    - (6) Trench Operations/Technician-7
    - (7) Structural Collapse Operations-2
    - (8) Structural Collapse Technician-2
  - b) Additional Training opportunities like this one should be offered to TRTs again this year.
- 7) Technical Rescue performed by your team (Help our cause)
- a) The way we report events in Fire Reporting
  - b) No notice events
  - c) Let FASAR Representative and TRT Coordinator aware for tracking (13)
    - (1) TRT 104 Rope (Feb-Pool)
    - (2) TRT 104 Collapse (March-26 roofers)
    - (3) TRT 104 VMR (April-vehicle/semi)
    - (4) TRT 104 VMR (April-semi side of bridge)
    - (5) TRT 105 Rope (Feb-Lift failure)
    - (6) TRT 105 Trench (Feb-dog rescue)
    - (7) TRT 105 VMR/Collapse (March-vehicle/structure)
    - (8) TRT 421 VMR (April-vehicle/semi)
    - (9) TRT 423 Rope (May-Water tower)
    - (10) TRT 424 Trench (Feb-M/A)
    - (11) TRT 634 Trench (May)
    - (12) TRT 636 LAR (May)
    - (13) TRT 755 VMR (July-Elevator)
- 8) Uniform for Deployments (Follow-up from FRE)
- a) BDU shirts or long sleeve?
  - b) Color?
  - c) FASAR to meet and decide. Long sleeves are preferred over BDU jacket.
  - d) Velcro patch on helmets to indicate position on team (Medical, Haz-Mat, etc)
  - e) Helmets-Wendy style for teams?



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- 9) Joining of Teams to form Task Force Type IV (Follow-up from FRE)
  - a) Per SERP Coordinator-instead of reclassifying as Type IV for deployment, mission will be given for a TRT Strike Team
  
- 10) Distributed ORE in 2021
  - a) Received 23 ORE (56%)
  - b) No more received this year
  
- 11) FASAR Representative Site visit in 2022 to review ORE
  - a) Site Visits completed?
  - b) Spreadsheet to compliment Checklist (Wagner)
  
- 12) FASAR Update-Allen Willis
  
- 13) SERP Update-TJ Lyons
  - a) Survey 123 will have 200 logins in for training opportunities
  - b) Mike Zielonka will email log ins with instructions
  
- 14) Training Update-Rouse/Chappell
  
- 15) State Fire Marshall Office Update-Chappell
  - a) State Exercise (August for Task Force only)
    - i) Not a "boots on ground" exercise
  - b) Drones
    - i) Regarding drones that are not on the "Blue List", i.e. made in China, government organizations in FL must have submitted a plan to remove them from inventory by the 12/31/22 deadline. This plan must have been submitted by 7/1/22.
    - ii) In the SERP meeting, Guthrie said that Gov. DeSantis would sign an Executive Order to allow UAS flight by government entities in FL in areas impacted in a declared disaster. The challenge is that it will be illegal for these entities to own the drone as of 1/1/23. So, if a disaster hits and the Executive Order is signed, none of the entities that are now allowed to fly these China made drone will have any on their inventory.

Below is from email from David F. Merrick-Director, FSU Emergency Management and Homeland Security Program and the Center for Disaster Risk Policy

- iii) As of 1 January, Florida gov agencies will be prohibited to operate non-approved aircraft. We can shelve them and see what happens, or we can dispose of them, but the aircraft themselves aren't illegal. We have been prohibited from acquiring non-approved aircraft since 1 Jan 2022. We were required to submit a plan to DMS by 1



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July 2022 that detailed how we were going to discontinue use of aircraft not on the Florida Approved UAS List.

iv) For clarity, the Approved List is by manufacturer, not make/model. Here is the DMS page:

[https://www.dms.myflorida.com/business\\_operations/state\\_purchasing/approved\\_drone\\_manufacturers](https://www.dms.myflorida.com/business_operations/state_purchasing/approved_drone_manufacturers)

16) Open Discussion