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

TFL Working Group Agenda July 12, 2019 1030 – 1230 hours

Review the US&R ConOP – ConOp is almost ready to be placed on website. Utilized by EOC for costs and team makeup for planning. Rapid needs assessment package still in process, recon piece is part of this and still a work in progress. FWC force protection and how detailed out to the Task Force (including BOO security) and efficient use of their capabilities.

Review the Canine issue – need status of K9's with the TF's. With no sharing of K9's, has put a challenge with this capability. Certifying facilities in Miami, Jacksonville, Pasco County and Fire College. Doing recruiting with incentive for K9 handlers in Miami-Dade to increase handlers. Civilian handlers and compensation packages (excludes medical insurance and professional liabilities) being vetted through attorneys and state by TF 4. This will include Docs and StS.

Request for H.O.T. class at FRE 2020 – Suggested a DIV SUP class by Jeff Strickland before end of year. Liaison and STL are also needed. Plan for liaison in August, Div Sup Sept/Oct and All Hazards L984/S330 for Engine STL at FRE. SCS Instructor updates can be done at FRE.

HRD Land & Water Workshop hosted by FASAR K-9, Inc – not this group but volunteer group

FEMA Update – TPAM training program is out. Using Survey 1 2 3 instead of Ironsites this hurricane season. Vehicles need to be insured by local jurisdiction first before filing claim with FEMA

SUSAR Update – conference Nov 19th in Wichita KS. Working with EMAC to establish database of all US&R and being shifted to NMAST through IAFC and NFA to improve resource needs.

Has medical WG to establish US&R medical protocols. Joe Hernandez has lead with medical docs and vets to develop protocol.

IST WG has been established and working with National Integration Center for typing doc for ISTs.

UAV WG developing protocol and position description for US&R TFs. No info on when this will be ready. Scott Carmichael ALTF1 is lead. Dave Merritt from FSU on committee

New TRT/US&R Team requests - Self -Assessment – TRT has an ORE to be completed. US&R TF needs to use EMAP self-assessment process, submit to Todd and will conduct Face to face site visits. Once they have been validated and will be assigned TF number. Volusia County has requested reactivating TF 9 and WPB in process to be considered as TF 10 however, no funding at this point. Need to establish a finite number for TF's as funding is limited to nothing.

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ADSAR – every storm has access problems and developing a Helo S&R team. Have 2 Chinooks, 4 Black Hawks and 1 Lacota (recon aircraft) and put two teams together with CERFP and 2 US&R teams. Will stand this team up prior to storm, these aircraft will launch once winds drop for aircraft to safely fly. Anticipating this will be a 72 hour mission but could go longer. ANG has orders to stand up aircraft as quickly as possible unlike previous storms.

Gaps have been either non aircraft or getting them timely. At national level working from top down to utilize aircraft assets. IMT at fed level will be going with AOBD to facilitate aircraft and also will have with Forestry IMT in state.

StS – Andy Schrader, StS working group chair. Lost 50% of their strength due to attrition. Currently do not have the numbers to send. Actively recruiting new StS.

CERF-P – more full time staff. Successful SAREX this year. Focusing on CBRNE portion for rest of year. 2020 SAREX to be bigger than past including more ADSAR activity. If any particular training for 2020 SAREX, work through Scott Chappell to include. SAREX will be recurring while Col. Ladd in command.

IMT - preplanning cell goes to state EOC for IMT. Forestry is primary IMT, US&R adds Deputy positions to Ops, Planning and Logs.

MRP's – working on continuously.

Water ops – Louisiana has activated all their water assets and expecting to have water over levies. Possible EMAC requests have MRP's and Req A ready.

Survey 123 – SAR mission app for documentation for teams. This is critical management tool.

Private SAR Teams – retired military setting up private S&R teams (Team Rubicon and Cajun Navy) and need to funnel them to ESF 4&9 to give them work to do and include them in structure.

5 yr Plan for SHSGP – teams need to do a 5 yr plan including gaps/needs analysis to create plan for FASAR to submit to state for funding priorities.

ReqAs - update for this hurricane season and turned in ASAP

Comms Committee report – voted in FRE. Template doc is being developed for 202 FRE.

SAR EX reimbursement – some funding for SAREX reimbursement. If sending on duty personnel, not eligible for reimbursement. Last call for reimbursement paperwork is next Friday.

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