

ORS TAC MINUTES

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- I. **Attendees:** Representatives from Regions 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8 Ohio EPA, ODH, FBI were in attendance. The chair noted that Ohio EMA was conducting their Fall Conference this date and EMA Directors and OEMA personnel would be attending this conference. Sign-in Sheet on file at Ohio EMA.
- II. **Summary:** The discussion included regional funding updates, NIMSCAST surveys, Team typing –equipment, site verification, FBI update, Team Typing Training, and Target Capabilities update.
- III. **Meeting Notes:**

Regional funding update: Regional coordinators present at the meeting were polled as to the status of existing region hazmat grants. Region 1 in the process of spend-down, Region 2-no funds, Region 3 No report, Region 4 spending down, Region 5 may have \$1,500 – 2,500 to reallocate, Region 6-no funds, Region 7 spending down, Region 8 – no report. Regional coordinators are asked to monitor existing grants to ensure funding is spent within the grant performance period. If any issues are encountered, contact Mel House.

Gap Analysis Regional Funding Executive Summary: A correction needs to be made to this document: Athens County Hazmat

NIMSCAST Survey: Municipalities and teams that are potentially receiving regional funding after the gap analysis and teams receiving existing regional funding are requested to ensure completion of their NIMSCAST survey before the September 30th deadline. County EMA Directors will assist. Completion of the NIMSCAST survey is one of the NIMS requirements for eligibility to receive federal funding.

Team Typing Equipment List – MARCS Radio: Per an action item from the August meeting, Greg Locher had a meeting with MARCS representatives to determine a method to ensure interoperability for a regional response. A MARCS radio will be required with the E-comm talk groups programmed into the radio. After discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and passed by the TAC to add a minimum of one (1) MARCS radio to the equipment list under communications. This radio may be a portable or mobile radio.

Team Typing – Personnel: Tabled until the October meeting.

Site Verification Status: An application for verification has been received from Columbus Fire as a Type I team. The representative for this team, Bill Brobst, has requested the date of November 12th as the date for the verification site visit. A suggestion was made to ask Bill Brobst if the visit could be moved to after the November TAC meeting date. The chair has made this request and the TAC date will not work for Columbus Fire---the date for the verification visit remains November 12th at 1000 hours. The site verification team members for this visit will be: a representative from Ohio EMA (to be determined), Chief Robertson (Region 7), and Clint Canterbury (Region 4 representative).

FBI Update: Rick Mayer from the Cincinnati office provided an update of current activities and passed literature out to TAC members.

Flow Chart/Algorithm development: the next step in the development of the flow chart for requesting the proper type of team is education of key agencies/personnel. The membership discussed potential target audiences: the Ohio Fire Chiefs, 911 PSAP Centers and EMA Directors. Further discussion and an action plan will be accomplished at the October TAC meeting.

Target Capabilities: Terry Bindernagel updated the committee on the TTX that Cleveland did with the Browns at their stadium. While meeting some capabilities, there were others they were unable to meet. Terry stressed these capabilities are time driven. Terry recommends a traffic plan.

Action Items to be discussed at next meeting:

1. Flow Chart / Algorithm for Dispatching HM Teams---further discussion concerning target audience and training methods.
2. Team Typing – Number of personnel
3. Discussion of timeline for implementation of site visits.
4. Columbus Fire Site Verification Visit

Future Action Items:

- E-comm talk groups on “dot” map
- CIMS web site. (G. Locher)
- Continue Mass Decon discussion (Target Capability).
- Cost Recovery Matrix. (M. House)

Next Meeting: is scheduled for **October 20, 2009** at Ohio EMA complex, 1st floor, room 104.

Submitted by: Greg Locher, Hazmat / Decon TAC Chair