

ORS TAC MINUTES

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TAC: HM TAC
From: Greg Locher

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- I. **Attendees:** Sign-in log (needs attached)

- II. **Summary:** a large portion of the meeting covered the algorithm to be used by the Ohio Fire Service Emergency Response System when a request for a HM Team is received. This is to ensure the appropriate type of hazmat team is dispatched. The outcome of this discussion was... **(fill in the info here).**

The next topic of discussion was the capability verification site visit to Trumbull and Portage counties on March 31, 2009. The TAC discussed the deficiency found (suit testing) with Trumbull County HazMat Team. Since the visit, the county has resolved the suit testing issue. The HazMat TAC voted affirmative on listing both teams as Type II Hazardous Materials Teams. The committee was also advised of the recommendations made by the Verification Team to the Trumbull County HazMat Team. This information can be found in the Verification Form which will be completed by TAC Chairperson Greg Locher.

The TAC also discussed development of a hazardous materials resource request training program for inclusion in the Ohio Fire Service Emergency Response System Education Program. Bill Brobst has the lead in program development.

Type IV HazMat team removal, per region, from the Ohio Fire Service Emergency Response System. Chairperson Greg Locher will verify with regions 3, 4, 7, & 8.

Tom Jacksetic of Toledo Fire briefed the TAC on the Chemwatch Database and discussed the training program from Findlay University called Awareness 147 Railcar Response for Rural Fire Departments.

Mel House of Ohio EMA reviewed the status of the FFY07 regional HazMat grants. He also outlined the FFY08 grant. The applications have been sent to the sub-grantee counties with a May 1 deadline for return. He also outlined some of the requirements for this grant, i.e. team verification requirement. Mel also asked the regional coordinators to encourage hazmat teams in their regions to request site visit verifications to spread the visits out over the next few years.

Next priority is gap analysis now that the elements of the original hazmat build-out plan have been completed.

Action Items:

1. Chairperson Greg Locher to put out the new Federal analysis guidelines.
2. Mel & Greg to address Type IV teams with Ohio Fire Service Emergency Response System.
3. Update Emergency Response System database on status of Trumbull & Portage county HazMat teams in reference to their recent verification status.
4. Greg Locher to get Trumbull County HazMat Team a copy of the Verification Team's recommendations.
5. Mark Vedder to update TAC mapping in reference to Gap Analysis.
6. Ohio Fire Service Emergency Response System Education Program.
7. Verification Team schedule.
8. Gap Analysis

III. **Next Meeting:** is scheduled for May 19, 2009, @ 10:00 AM, at Ohio EMA, room 104.

Respectfully,

Submitted by: Rich Lauffer