

ORS TAC MINUTES

Department of Public Safety
1970 W. Broad St.
Columbus, OH 43223

Date: April 15, 2014
TAC: HM TAC
From: Mark Vedder

File Number:
Approved:



1. **Attendees:** See attached attendance list.
2. The Conference Call was called to order at 1000 hrs. Co-Chairs Mark Vedder and Harry Burdick thanked everyone for attending.
3. **Minutes:** Brooke Matzen moved to accept the minutes of the March 18, 2014 meeting as sent out by email. Motion seconded by Brian Robertson. Motion unanimously approved.
4. **Old Business:**
 - a. Site Visits

Region 7 – Logan FD:

Vedder reported that the site visit was conducted on January 31, 2014 by Mark Vedder, Doug Hobson, Harry Burdick and Laurie from EMA. As previously presented there are still a few issues that need to be corrected. Chief Robertson requested an additional extension to complete. He stated that they have purchased the colormetric tubes and PVC pipe, the physical exam documentation is complete but that they need more time to complete the training records. He stated that they have a technician refresher scheduled which will fully resolve the issue. Following discussion, a motion was made by Brooke Matzen and seconded by Clarence Tucker to table the verification vote until after the completion of the Hazmat Tech Refresher Course. Motion was unanimously approved.

Region 3 - Dayton FD:

Vedder reported that a site visit is scheduled with Dayton Hazmat for May 5, 2014 at 1000 hrs. The site visit team will be Todd Truesdale, Jim Painter, Harry Burdick, Brooke Matzen, Dale Dittrick and Leslie Bricker. Site visit will be held at Sinclair Community College Bldg 20.

Region 8 – Muskingum, Washington and Jefferson:

Still on hold per Doug Hobson.

Region 1 – Findlay Hazmat:

Vedder reported he received a request from Hancock County for a site visit. He has the application and is awaiting the equipment list.

- b. ODH Survey and Hazmat Team Database Update:
Eric St. Germain reports he has basically finished the data collection. He has produced a Smart PDF draft for review, which was sent out to the regional coordinators for review and input. Once finalized it will be widely distributed.
- c. Mass Decon Resource List
Vedder reported there had been no further action on the Mass Decon Resource List.
- d. HMO/HMSO Training Requirement for Typed Teams
Vedder reviewed the attached proposal to require team leadership meet specific training requirements when responding to Ohio Fire Emergency Response Plan requests for hazmat team assets. The proposal had been emailed to all TAC members in January, February and March for review and discussion. There was considerable discussion on the proposal, but no objections which were brought forth. Motion for approval as written by Todd Truesdale, second by Brooke Matzen. Unanimously approved.
- e. Re-Verification of Typed Hazmat Teams
Vedder reviewed the attached proposal to require all verified hazmat teams to periodically re-certify. The proposal had been emailed to all TAC members in January and February for review and discussion. Changes were proposed to the language of the proposal and were emailed to the TAC for review. There was considerable discussion regarding the proposal. Motion to approve by Matt Haverkos, second by Harry Burdick. Unanimously approved.
- f. Hazmat Technician Certification
Todd Truesdale reported that he contacted Mel House at ODPS-EMS and is attempting to meet with the Ohio Fire Alliance to discuss the Hazmat TAC proposal for state certification of Hazmat/WMD Technicians. He will continue to report on progress.

5. New Business

- a. No additional business was brought up.

6. Training Opportunities

- a. Dale Dittrick mentioned that there will be a Hazmat/WMD Tech Class at the OFA in June.

7. Partner Agency Updates

- a. FBI WMDC – No report
- b. Ohio EPA – No report
- c. Ohio Fire Academy – No additional report

- d. 52nd Civil Support Team – No report
- e. Ohio Dept of Health – No report
- f. Ohio Fire Chiefs Association – Chief Truesdale reported a training opportunity. Bobby Halton of Fire Engineering will be presenting in Allen County on May 3rd.
- g. Ohio EMA – David Nunley reported that HMEP awards had been made and would be sent out.
- h. US-DHS – No representative present
- i. Ohio DHS – No Report

8. **Next Meeting: May 20, 2014 @ 1000 hours – Meeting at Ohio EMA**

Respectfully,



Mark Vedder, Co-Chairman

Attendance List
Hazmat TAC Conference Call
April 15, 2014

Mark Vedder
Harry Burdick
David Nunley
Josh ??
Mike Kelly
Brian Robertson
Todd Trusedale
Tom Lakamp
Brooke Matzen
Matt Haverkos
Dave Telban
Nick Zamiska
Clarence Tucker
Denny Bristow
Gary Rettig

Proposal to Require Hazmat Officer / Hazmat Safety Officer Training
Ohio Hazmat TAC
Revised April 5, 2014

Objective: To insure that verified hazmat teams respond to Ohio Fire Response Plan incidents with leadership personnel who have been trained and certified by the AHJ as meeting the competencies of NFPA 472 Chapter 10 "Competencies for Hazardous Materials Officers" and Chapter 11 "Competencies for Hazardous Materials Safety Officers".

Requirements:

Type 1 Teams

At least four (4) of the required twenty (20) hazmat technicians on a response shall meet the HMO/HMSO training requirement. To meet this requirement a Type 1 Team will be required to provide documentation that at least eight (8) team leadership personnel have been trained and certified by the AHJ of meeting the above competencies.

Type 2 Teams

At least two (2) of the required fifteen (15) hazmat technicians on a response shall meet the HMO/HMSO training requirement. To meet this requirement a Type 2 Team will be required to provide documentation that at least four (4) team leadership personnel have been trained and certified by the AHJ of meeting the above competencies.

Type 3 Teams

At least one (1) of the required ten (10) hazmat technicians on a response shall meet the HMO/HMSO training requirement. To meet this requirement a Type 3 Team will be required to provide documentation that at least two (2) team leadership personnel have been trained and certified by the AHJ of meeting the above competencies.

Training:

The preferred method of complying with this requirement shall be the completion of the Ohio Hazardous Materials Officer/Hazardous Materials Safety Officer (HMO/HMSO) training program, but other training programs which can document meeting the competencies cited above may be approved as equivalent by the Ohio Hazmat TAC.

Implementation:

All presently verified hazmat teams and those scheduled to be verified before September 1, 2014 shall be required to complete this requirement within one year after this proposal is passed.

Teams applying for verification after September 1, 2014 shall complete the requirement prior to verification.

The TAC will request funding for the HMO/HMSO class to assist teams in obtaining this new certification requirement.

Proposal to Require Re-Verification of Hazmat/WMD Teams
Ohio Hazmat TAC
Revised April 5, 2014

1. All verified Hazmat Teams shall be required to re-verify once every three years. The expiration dates shall be staggered so that not all teams re-verify in the same year.
2. The application to re-verify shall be developed and approved by the Ohio Hazmat TAC prior to implementation of the program.
3. The administrative officer of each verified team shall complete the application to re-verify and submit it to the Ohio EMA prior to their expiration date. The Ohio EMA shall retain the records on behalf of the Ohio Hazmat TAC. In completing and signing the application, the administrative officer of each team shall acknowledge that the team still meets all the requirements of level of their verification.
4. At least three Type 1 Teams shall be audited each year, and every Type 1 team shall be audited at least once every three years.
5. At least ten percent of all Type 2 and Type 3 teams shall be audited each year.
6. The audit shall consist of a site visit and verification of the same criteria as an initial verification visit, which shall include inspection of equipment, personnel records, training records and physical exam records.
7. Failure to complete the application, or failure to schedule the audit site visit, or failure to meet the criteria for re-verification shall result in a 30 day suspension of team typing while the deficiency is corrected. Failure to correct the deficiency with the 30 day suspension period will result in reduction or revocation of the team typing, and removal as an available asset in the Ohio Fire Response Plan.

Proposed

Haz-Tac 2014 Meeting Dates

Always third Tuesday, 10 a/m

January 21st - @- E.M.A.

February 18th - Conference Call

March 18th - @- E. M.A.

April 15th - Conference Call

May 20th- @- E.M.A.

June 17th- Conference Call

July 15th- @- E. M. A.

August 19th- Conference Call

September 16th- @- E. M. A.

October 21st- Conference Call

November 18th- @- E. M. A.

December 16th- Conference Call