

Hazmat / Decon TAC Minutes  
February 20, 2007

Radiological Response

The meeting opened with Ohio EPA's, Jeff Wonders, presenting and operations outline of Ohio EPA's Radiological Assessment Team capabilities, make-up, locations, and mission. This teams capability is primarily directed at environmental monitoring of soil and water after a radiological incident.

The Ohio National Guard 52<sup>nd</sup> Civil Support Team (CST), Captain Chris Bricker, then gave a presentation on their operations capabilities, mission, types of responses, equipment, and Planning & Training capabilities. This response capability has a robust response component and unlike most CST teams can be activated directly by first responders. The 52<sup>nd</sup> CST also has a Protect Mission that is well practiced with Columbus during home Ohio State University football games.

TAC members then discussed how the Radiological aspect got brought into the Hazardous Materials TAC's arena. The threat of a dirty bomb at NFL/college games and what type of capabilities each city within Ohio had was the catalyst for the discussion. There are limited advanced radiological detection abilities within the state, which therefore are able to "protect" a limited number of venues. Mel House requested the TAC to examine the response and protect capabilities within the state and using risk assessment recommend an acceptable level of response/protection.

Team members also discussed HLS Nuclear Committee and plans they are developing.  
**Action Item:** T. Breckenridge of Ohio EMA will determine the next meeting date and attempt to define a timeline for the progress of this committee.

**Action Item:** For the March meeting, the chair will ask Ohio State Patrol and PUCO to come in to present their capabilities and responsibilities for a radiological response.

Ohio Fire Chief Response Plan – Team Typing

The Chair then gave an overview of where we stand on Team Typing Self-Verification, by region. The committee was not sure where Regions 6, 7, & 8 stood. All other regions were categorized as making progress, well along, or completed.

**Action Item:** Regional Coordinators in # 6, 7, and 8 need to report their progress to the chair/co-chairs

**Action Item:** Regional Coordinators should continue to track changes on team typing. Regional funding was provided last year for Type III build-out, but other counties may have used their State Homeland Security Grant Program funding towards hazmat improvements. If the TAC is to consider another recommendation for regional funding in FY07, we will need accurate/updated information for the self-assessed team types.

SOG information was discussed which was supported by two handouts, the final Notification SOG and a draft Strategic Objectives currently being worked upon by the subcommittee. One item that was brought up was the standardizing of terms, SOG vs. SOP. SOG was decided upon as the standard term. It was also agreed that the format should stay the same.

**Action Item-** SOG Committee will bring first draft of the Strategic Objectives to next meeting (Jeff Branich)

**Action Item** – Team Typing Version 2.0 and how to implement for next meeting (Mark Vedder)

Next meeting will be March 20<sup>th</sup> at 1000 hours, Ohio EMA