



**VERDUGO FIRE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER
TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2017**

Attendees:

Agency	Primary	Alternate
Alhambra - ALH		
Arcadia - ARC	Battalion Chief Kevin Valentine	
Burbank - BRK		
Angeles Nat'l Forest - ANF		
Bob Hope Airport - BUR		
Glendale - GLN	Battalion Chief Brian Julian	
LA City - LFD		
LA County - LAC		
Monrovia - MRV		
Montebello - MTB		
Monterey Park - MPK	Captain Ryan Weddle	
Pasadena - PAS	Training Chief Seaton King	
San Gabriel - SGB		
SNM-SPS = SS	Fire Chief Mario Rueda	Capt. Eric Zanteson
Sierra Madre - SMD		
Vernon – VER	Captain Craig Peltier	
Verdugo Fire Comm.	Don Wise / Jason Pfau / Alison Finch	

Housekeeping:

I. New Business:

A. HAMLINE (Brush) Incident 6/28/17: Numerous operational lessons learned. Dispatch of resources were originally assigned to Verdugo Fire Trunked RED 4 and should have initially been assigned to the FOOTHILL Plan. Map handout. Discussion on all of the significant operational and communications impacts that resulted. Discussion on the use of verbiage of “strike team” being used however strike teams had not been requested. The fire was still being handled with local resources (plus mutual-aid resources) and was a multiple alarm level fire only. Had the I.C. requested resources over and beyond local (Area C) capabilities, then “strike team” verbiage could be used. The Hamline Fire was essentially a 3rd alarm from Area C (Verdugo cities), 1 alarm from LA City Fire, 1 alarm from ANF for a total of a 5th alarm brush. Discussion on numbering of apparatus, where and when the PRIMARY unit ID or apparatus is already committed or unavailable for some reason, we use the “7” and up series during these type of momentary events. Same concept as fire engines or trucks. If the event is momentary, meaning a few hours to a few days, then the 7-8-9 series is used, not the 2-3-4 series which are reserved for permanent daily apparatus/units, and always available as secondary, tertiary, quaternary resources. Discussion on need to establish comm’s between dispatch and any changes in command/support. Discussion on need for dispatch to be updated with changes in CP or staging. Discussion on need for Verdugo to be the single ordering point. ANF was requested by another agency for the fire without Verdugo’s awareness. Move-ups were handled appropriately and timely with some local Glendale Fire units purposefully skipped to keep Paramedic resources available in the City of Glendale. Move-ups were both appropriate and timely. With the Foothill Plan being on VHF, Verdugo staff do not receive radio comm’s and are not situationally aware of radio traffic on command or tactical channels, so there’s a lessened amount of information captured in the CAD Incident History. Identified a need to document all adjoining agencies CAD Unit ID’s for documentation in CAD as being dispatched/enroute. ROSS was appropriately used to document use of resources from outside of Area C.

- B. Urgent/Non-Urgent:** Recap of policy and request to advise FCEA Wise of any issues/concerns. Memorandum was sent by email on 6/28/17.
- C. Multiple Procedural Changes Memorandum:** Recap of procedural changes and request to advise FCEA Wise of any issues/concerns. Memorandum email sent on 6/28/17. Handout of multiple alarm screenshot, if requesting an Immediate multiple alarm. Discussion on impacts to all agencies in the system if requesting an immediate multiple alarm and the extent of draw down not only on the system, but availability of local “home” resources for the communities served.
- D. Target Hazards (Low-Medium-High):** FCEA Wise asked agencies as to whether they are classifying their infrastructure as Low, Medium or High. Pasadena is in the process of doing so. FCEA Wise proposed looking at GLN fire inspection data and having Fire Prevention work with Verdugo Fire GIS Oscar Barrera (through use of their RMS/NFIRS data) on identifying what infrastructure falls into those categories per NFPA. The effort will potentially support a future plan to dispatch resources according to infrastructure type as opposed to lessened responses dispatched based on CAD Type Code types.
- E. APX-7500 Mid-Power Radio notification:** The purpose of this notification is to inform ASTRO® 25 Subscriber Owners of a Cancellation of the **APX™7500 MID POWER UHF** radio models sales on September 30, 2017. It is recommended that last time purchases be considered at this time to cover anticipated or planned customer expansion and lifetime spare units. Multi band go with 8 series.

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II. Update on Continued Areas/Projects/Issues:

- A. ISO and Accreditation Surveys** – ARC and MRV and SNM/SPS/SGB are each undergoing Standards of Cover Survey.
- B. TICP 2017 – No Change.**
- C. FOOTHILL RADIO PLAN** – Request for use in MTB/MPK area. FCEA Wise to request approval for use from current committee. This would be a new M/A threat zone within the plan. The (MTB) Lincoln fire was good example where either the Foothill or similar type of plan would be useful.
- D. ROSS/CICCS Data Entry Project** – Please contact FCSS Melissa Leary with your FFT1 and FFT2 personnel for entry into ROSS and CICCS databases. We need the following agencies data:

BRK-GLN-PAS-SPS-SNM-ARC-MRV-SMD-SGB-ALH-MPK-MTB-VER-BUR
- E. Personnel Separations:** **BRK-GLN-PAS-SPS-SNM-ARC-MRV-SMD-SGB-ALH-MPK-MTB-VER-BUR (COMPLETED)**
- F. NG-9-1-1 (RING) Project – No Change.**
- G. Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) – No Change.**
- H. ICI System P25 RADIO** – P25 migration soon. Extensive water tower work completed in VER and work being done in MPK (Garvey site).
- I. Verdugo Fire Operations Committee Updates – No Change.**
- J. State 9-1-1 Working Group, Long Range Planning, and Advisory Board, LARICS, FIRSTNET – FIRSTNET**

Stakeholders Meeting was held Friday June 7 in Van Nuys. The plan will be submitted to the Governor's Office for approval by mid-Sept. Public comment is due by Aug 4. Submit comments to: www.firsnetincalifornia.org To review the service offering go to: www.firsnet.org

K. CAD Projects –

1. **CAD-to-CAD:** No update/change.
2. **CAD Replacement:** Northrop-Grumman selected for upgrade path with NextGSS for GIS and mobile application.
3. **GIS:** ESRI Public Safety Users Conference July 8-9.

L. Text-to-911: No Change.

M. Verdugo Staffing – No Change.

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III. Roundtable:

ALH – .
ARC –
BRK – .
BUR –
GLN –.
LAC –
LFD –
MPK –
MRV –
MTB –.
PAS –
SGB –
SS – .
SMD –
VER – Thank you for helping with Engineers exam.
VFCC –

Next Task Force Meeting: Tuesday August 8, 2017 at Verdugo Fire Communications at 09:00 hours.
Next SOG Meeting: Tuesday August 8, 2017 at Verdugo Fire Communications at 08:00 hours.