



**VERDUGO FIRE COMMUNICATIONS CENTER
TASK FORCE MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12 2017**

Attendees:

Agency	Primary	Alternate
Alhambra - ALH	Captain Mike Brown	
Arcadia - ARC	Deputy Chief Barry Spriggs	
Burbank - BRK	Assistant Chief Eric Garcia	
Angeles Nat'l Forest - ANF		
Bob Hope Airport - BUR		
Glendale - GLN	Battalion Chief Brian Julian	Deputy Chief Bill Lynch
LA City - LFD		
LA County - LAC		
Monrovia - MRV		
Montebello - MTB	Battalion Chief Carl Alexander	
Monterey Park - MPK	Captain Ryan Weddle	
Pasadena - PAS	Training Chief Seaton King	
San Gabriel - SGB	Captain Steve Wallace	
SNM-SPS = SS		Eric Zanteson
Sierra Madre - SMD	Acting Director Mike Goth & Brent Bartlett	
Vernon – VER		
Verdugo Fire Comm.	Don Wise / Jason Pfau / Alison Finch	Oscar Barrera / FCSS Soto

Housekeeping: Welcome to new MTB B.C. Carl Alexander

I. New Business:

- A. La Tuna, LFD (Brush) Incident 9/1/17:** Incident opened 9/1/17 and closed 9/11/17. Multiple agencies supported effort. Some Verdugo staff arrived in early along with EA Wise to support communications and ordering work. Updated map provided by GIS Oscar Barrera. Great discussion during Operations Committee meeting. Chief Garcia provided a recap from Ops. Meeting for TF members. A formal After Action Review meeting is for 9/13. Foothill Plan worked well, with exception of BRK personnel who had some communications issues with quality of transmission.
- B. HERT (Hospital Emergency Response Team):** On 8/28/17 there was a call in ALH where the patient had both legs stuck in some machinery. The IC requested the HERT Team which stands for Hospital Emergency Response Team. The team is made up of surgeons and support staff that can respond to the field (30 minute response time) to perform amputations or similar procedures that paramedics cannot. For Verdugo cities, the primary hospital that they respond out of is County USC with Harbor UCLA as the back-up. The IC is to contact the MAC directly via VMED28. In this case VMED28 wasn't a working option and they were directed to contact the MAC by phone. MAC will coordinate to determine the best mode of travel either by air or in a LAC ambulance. A "HERT" Unit ID has been created as well as a new section in CAD MISC/EMER files. If Verdugo Staff need to call we would use the MAC number programmed into VESTA (MAC central dispatch office). Attached is the DHS policy for the HERT Team as refresher.
- C. MARVLIS Demo:** 09:30 presentation. The software solution supports real time analytics of CAD for post position move-up and incident move-up and cover situations using historical call volume data. The algorithm uses both geography and call volume demand to recommend appropriate staging locations and responses. They will be integrating HERE and/or WAZE data in the future. ARCGIS GeoEvents Server being looked at for usability of data; demonstrated ability to geofence area for a dynamic condition such

as road closure and/or brushfire incident location. There is also an HTML-5 web-based application available for extending PSAP viewer to other locations (EOC, Admin., etc.).

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II. Update on Continued Areas/Projects/Issues:

- A. ISO and Accreditation Surveys** – ARC and SNM/SPS/SGB are each undergoing Standards of Cover Survey.
- B. TICP 2017 – No Change.**
- C. FOOTHILL RADIO PLAN – No Change.**
- D. NG-9-1-1 (RING) Project** – ESInet cutover scheduled for Apr/May – 2018, based on new partnership by AT&T with WEST.
- E. Disaster Recovery Center (DRC) – No Change.**
- F. ICI System P25 RADIO – No Change.**
- G. Verdugo Fire Operations Committee Updates – No Change.**
- H. State 9-1-1 Working Group, Long Range Planning, and Advisory Board, LARICS, FIRSTNET – No Change**
- I. CAD Projects –**
 - 1. **CAD-to-CAD:** No update/change.
 - 2. **CAD Replacement:** Approved by City Council.
 - 3. **GIS:** No update/change.
- J. Text-to-911: No Change.**
- K. Verdugo Staffing – No Change.**

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III. Roundtable:

ALH – 2 new KMES – taking on Pasadena’s MCI trailer

ARC – Promoting captain in October and hiring FF; going back to Pierce for new engine and final inspection.

BRK – Completed BC exam last week and recent Captain exam. Thanks to all for support during La Tuna incident including VFCC staff. Things worked well for all the help.

BUR –

GLN –

LAC –

LFD –

MPK – New RA at 61’s – mini-academy starting for 2 new members (4-week academy)

MRV –

MTB – Fire Chief still going through vetting process; looking to hire 8 new FF’s.

PAS – (SK) Lateral hiring process; several FF’s retirement; a couple of BC’s soon as well by end of year.

(JT) Kudos to FCSS Soto and crew during La Tuna Fire. Thanks to Area C departments for supporting our 2nd alarm fire in PAS in addition to 15 engine commitment on La Tuna Fire. Great system...kudos to VFCC!

SGB – Captains test with 7 candidates; Division Chief next week 8 candidates; new BC and captain spots also opening up. 3 probationary ff’s with 6 in the line. SoC survey making headway. New engine on order and approved by Council to replace E52. Appreciate all the support in SGB recently.

SS – 3 laterals on floor, new engineer, new captain, lateral and entry level test coming. BC coverage still split between SS.

SMD – Chief Heydorff retires eff. 12/21/17. Mike Goth is Acting Public Safety Director – trying to resolve staffing model. Currently unsustainable. Working on new configuration – pushing for new paid staff model. Will be working still with Type 1 Engine but also looking at augmenting with Type 6 apparatus to support current issues with neighborhood access in the upper trail areas of SMD. Draft presentation tonight with final by 9/26. Transition period of 3-9 mos. Blend of current staffing to new model, potentially.

VER –

VFCC – LFD agreement (need boundaries defined better for Eagle Rock and Mt. Washington). Retirement party for Wed. 10/18 in Community Room for EA Wise – 2pm to 4pm.

Next Task Force Meeting: Tuesday October 10, 2017 at Verdugo Fire Communications at 09:00 hours.

Next SOG Meeting: Tuesday October 10, 2017 at Verdugo Fire Communications at 08:00 hours.