

Southwest Coordinating Group Conference Call

July 23, 2008

Attendance: Madrid, Lineback, Philbin, Greenlee, Rick Black, Kearney, Van Bruggin, McAlpin, Graham, Kaib, Chris Lopez, Donald Griego, Lynn Lovellace, Al Alvarez, Darren Mathis, Neal Hitchcock, Dave Behrens, Ron Melcher.

SECO Report Draft

Al Alvarez reviewed and discussion. Al will finalize, SWCG will receive, they will task the SW aviation committee to come up with action items plan, SWCG will review and approve, SW aviation committee will work on implementation. Chair will provide final copy of report to Eastern Great Basin CG chair. Al will be available to the SW aviation committee to clarify any items as needed.

SW SEAT Plan

Kearney will check with SW aviation committee chair and see where we are at in getting it approved. If changes occur in future, plan can be easily updated since it is all electronic. Darren Mathis will be new chair of aviation committee this fall.

SW Preparedness Level

Rick Black will move us to PL-1 tomorrow, but everyone is reminded that we can go back up if the rains stop and we dry out or if we begin to experience large fire activity.

SW IMT Status

Status of SW teams reviewed. Group affirms the desire to follow a T2 team rotation.

CALMAC Memo

Just clarified, if any misunderstood the intent of the memo, resources and agencies are the determinants of the condition of their resources and any extensions. SW IMT extensions will be reviewed by SWCG; in all other cases it will be the resources, the GACC's, the agencies and units according to Nat Mob Guide form and direction.

NMAC Long Term Plan and conference call

No agenda items were put forward for the call. Some inaccuracies in the intell in the long term plan, but no other issues discussed. Bob and Donald to be on the call.

Solano Action Item DRAFT Plan

The draft action items drafted by the small task group are about complete. Dave is going to get with Kirk and we will attempt to set up a meeting in Phoenix. Will do at BIA Western or BLM office as they have tela facilities so that members who can't make the meeting can attend electronically.

ROSS and IQS difficulties for NM state resources

Donald outlined some difficulties they are having with the dispatch system and permissions for view and print access. SWCG affirmed that these need to be overcome. Marsha will discuss with Rick Black and SWCC will work with the interagency dispatch centers in NM to give NM State the view/print access they need to properly manage their resources.

SW Radio Communications Task Group

Marsha explained a history of issues that have interagency implications. SWCG agreed to new task group. Marsha will draft a tasking to form the group and pass to chair. After finalized, interagency members of that group will be solicited and they will go to work.

RAWS Pilot Study

SWCG members had mostly read the proposed project and how it got launched without full SWCG review. Members thought it would probably have a positive result.

Next Meetings

Trying to set up short Solano draft action item meeting. Next full SWCG meeting is Sept. 24 and 25th in ABQ. If issues develop, a conference call may be arranged.