



CBRNE/Training and Exercise Working Group

December 21, 2013

10:00 AM – 11:30 AM

**MEETING LOCATION: Alameda County Sheriff OES
4985 Broder Rd. Dublin, CA – OES Room #1013**

CONFERENCE CALL AVAILABLE

Conference Call Line B:
Call In Number: 866-249-5279
Participant Code: 428336

MEETING MINUTES

I. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS:

Dennis Houghtelling, T&E Project Manager asked each meeting participant to introduce his or herself. Conference call attendees: Brett Blaser, Bertha Simpson, Chris Riley, Bruce Martin, Doris Padillo, Alberto Rojas, Michael Bryan, David Urrutia.

II. REGIONAL TRAINING & EXERCISE PROGRAM – Dennis Houghtelling

A. COURSE PRIORITIZATION FOR 2014:

Dennis Houghtelling reported that all courses submitted through the vetting process were approved. Commander Houghtelling noted that most courses were previously approved through the vetting process. He noted that the vetted courses list will be posted on the website within a couple days.

Bryan Woo presented information on a need for a nighttime SWAT course (Maritime Interdiction). Currently there are daytime courses; however, there is a need for a nighttime course, which utilizes night vision and infrared capabilities. The course will enhance capabilities for teams conducting both day and night operations, which require breaching and torching.

B. LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING:

Dennis Houghtelling noted that the proposal site is always open except when the vetting process is active. If there is an urgent course, it can be submitted any time. Also, only exercises over \$50K require hub approval.



Larry Plummer reported once a course is vetted it remains in the queue, and depending on your needs, UASI workload, and funding, the appropriate planner will setup the class. Dates will be established with the vendor, and the location will be determined. Once the course is finalized, the course will be unpublished on the website for 30 days so that the hosting agency can secure seats for their staff before it is opened to the region.

Commander Houghtelling reported that courses which require soil disturbance/digging a trench can take up to a year to approve, so please submit training requests as soon as possible.

C. FIRE UPDATE:

Brian Ballard reported the last in a series of operator courses for the calendar year have been completed. Planning for course offerings next year is beginning.

D. MARITIME & EOD TRAINING UPDATE:

Brian Ballard reported the two-week EOD SWAT Integration course was completed on, November 15, 2013. The EOD Threat Assessment course concludes on November 22, 2013.

E. OES & CONSORTIUM TRAINING UPDATE:

Bob Schumacher reported most of the scheduled fire courses for this year are completed. There are a few requests being submitted, but he is relying on our two principle fire training vendors for identifying agency needs, so if your agency has requests please submit them. Bob noted that the funding allocation is different this year and there is more competition for courses, so please submit your requests as soon as possible.

F. FY14 UASI GRANT CYCLE UPDATE:

Jeff Blau reported that he is in the process of reviewing proposals, verifying pdf. submissions uploaded to the online system, preparing sheets for the OAs, and starting to prepare for the Hub meetings in 2014. Jeff noted that below-the-line projects must be resubmitted to the Approval Authority member to request that the General Manager reconsider the project. Jeff noted if a project has not been submitted; please submit them as UASI wants to fund good proposals. He noted this process is more for oversights and extenuating circumstances and is outside of the normal process.

III. CBRNE ISSUES:



Jeff Blau reported the need to determine which projects need to have funding reallocated. The task must be completed by December 30, 2013, or funds may be returned to the Federal Government.

A. **Rad/Nuc REGIONAL STRATEGIC PLAN:** (Moved to #1 on Agenda)

Brooke Buddemeier from LLNL made a presentation regarding the Regional Rad/Nuc detection, prevention and strategic planning process.

Dennis Houghtelling introduced Mary Landers who reported a need to develop a regional strategic plan for radiological/nuclear incidents. Representatives from Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory were present to discuss the planning process and request assistance from the workgroup. Bruce Martin will be leading the project. .

B. **OTHER:** Bruce Martin

IV. **ADJOURNMENT:** Next Scheduled Meeting January 16, 2014 @ 10:00 AM

Commander Houghtelling adjourned the meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for January 16, 2014, at the Alameda County Sheriff's Office of Homeland Security & Emergency Services, located at 4985 Broder Blvd., Dublin, CA 94568.