

OREGON STATE FIRE DEFENSE BOARD April 9, 2008 ♦ 1:00 – 3:00 P.M. Eagle Crest Conference Center Ballroom C & D

Minutes

Call to order

State Fire Marshal Nancy Orr called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. Everyone introduced themselves.

Present were:

Name	Affiliation	Name	Affiliation
Nancy Orr	State Fire Marshal	Randy Simpson	Chief Deputy SFM
Chris Brown	Oregon State Police	Lindsay Ball	Governor's Office
Travis Medema	ODF	Ted Ames	Clatsop County
Doug Branch	Clackamas County	Al Blodgett	Yamhill County
Bob Palmer	Wasco County	Ray Hamann	Union County
John Fowler	Umatilla/Morrow/Gilliam	Rodney Asher	Sherman County
Jason Cane	Polk County	Dave Sprando	Portland F & R
Kevin Hendricks	Marion County	Daniel Woodson	Linn County
Don Baker	Lincoln County	Chad Minter	Lane County
Brian Pike	Josephine County	Bill Guindon	Harney County
Bill Cearns	Grant County	Jim Gustafson	Deschutes County
William Sharp	Curry County	Lanny Boston	Coos County
Michael Greisen	Columbia County	Scott Magers	Washington County
Dan Komning	Grant County	Harry Ward	DPSST
Donna Disch	OSFM	David Phillips	Clackamas Fire – US&R
Alan McMahen	OSFM	Stacy Warner	OSFM
Dave Jones	OSFM	Sue Garfoot	OSFM

Oregon State Police Public Safety Bureau Report – Major Chris Brown

Brown thanked the fire service for all that you do! He also expressed that he and Superintendent McLain understand the value of partnerships and will work toward a public service agenda instead of a fire agenda and a police agenda.

Brown wanted everyone to know that he is an advocate for the protection of the Fire Insurance Premium Tax (FIPT) and will be from this point forward.

Draft changes to Mobilization Plan – Chief Deputy Randy Simpson

Simpson reviewed handouts of the highlighted changes to the Mobilization Plan. Some of the changes are:

- Verbiage
 - ✓ FSP-01 changed to Personnel Tracking Form.

The current FSP-01 will still be used until the new form is created.

- ✓ Overhead Team changed to Incident Management Team
- Operations Division II section A (*hand-out*)
 - ✓ Page II-A-2 Rationale and Page II-A-9 Rationale attachment.

This follows the national rationale.

• Reimbursement for rescue vehicles/boat typing (*hand-out*)

Working with DHS on pricing for the Medic Unit.

• Formatting was changed to utilize space

- Appendices posted on website; no longer in Mob Plan
- The General Mobilization Standard for the task force is to be prepared for 72 hours instead of 48.

Al Blodgett moved to accept the changes to the Mobilization Plan, Bill Guindon seconded the motion and it passed.

Simpson reported that he is working with the OFCA Board to obtain a grant for next year's publishing of the Mobilization Plan. The chiefs agreed to use part of the grant to publish the small field guide version of the Mobilization Plan.

The Office of State Fire Marshal will provide a hard-copy of the Mobilization Plan along with a disc that will include the appendices. These will be sent to each fire defense board chief to distribute to the chiefs in their counties.

OSFM Incident Management Team Report/Vernonia - Scott Magers/Randy Simpson

Magers reported that each and every person who lived in Vernonia was affected by the flood. The red incident management team was deployed to the Vernonia winter storm in December 2007. The first goal was to restore the critical infrastructure by working with the county EOC and the state ECC. This included clean water, opening the schools, setting up clean up areas, opening the medical facility, and establishing a transition plan. In comparing to the 1996 flood, citizens and the city council of Vernonia said "there was more accomplished in one week than there was in a month".

Simpson provided a handout of the after action review of the incident. This review validated the mobilization plan requirement that the FDB chief or representative be at their county EOC for the length of the EOC activation. Also, the leaders of the EOC need to recognize the value of having a fire service representative working with them. All parties need be aware of the resources of the State Fire Marshal and procedures to obtain them. More ICS training is needed for all levels of emergency managers.

Urban Search & Rescue Status Report - Dave Phillips

Phillips reported they currently have 224 team members from 10 departments on the task force. All members are trained to FEMA standards. They will deploy 37 team members when requested for a structural collapse incident. The US&R has three equipment and tool caches. They are stationed in Springfield, Salem, and Clackamas. For the future, the US&R will work on obtaining a search dog, medical specialist training, structural engineers, and crane rigger training. On May 13th there will be a field day at DPSST to US&R to key legislators.

Phillips offered to do a presentation US&R at county fire defense board meetings.

Legislative Report - Donna Disch

Disch reviewed legislative concepts that the OSFM is asking the Governor to introduce as bills on our behalf. These concepts include funding governor-declared conflagrations and mobilizations, protecting for funding fire programs, increased fees for liquefied petroleum gas and cardlock regulations, prohibiting the sale and distribution of novelty (toylike) lighters, and amending state explosives statutes.

The League of Oregon Cities made an attempt to have the conflagration/mobilization funding and FIPT language come forward and have been very supportive on these concepts. Also, Disch provided an overview of the proposed Policy Option Packages of the Office of State Fire Marshal.

Department of Forestry (ODF) Update - Travis Medema

Medema reported the ODF general fund reduction will potentially affect the fire chiefs at the field

level. They are currently working with the local foresters and area directors on this issue if this happens. Also, there is a downward trend to the federal funding that ODF has previously received.

ODF receives a Special Purpose Appropriation (SPA) which pays for the air tankers and helicopters and statewide resources.

The forestland classification plan has recommended adding the county fire service, allowing multi classification committees, and add "urban interface" to definitions in Chapters 477 and 526. The priority is the Wildfire Reduction Act, which is the premise of the up front investment for fire protection and who pays for that.

Regional Type 3 teams/Local Emergency Management – Chief Deputy Randy Simpson SFM Orr encouraged the fire defense board chiefs to bring together the local emergency managers, fire service, law enforcement, and public works to establish county emergency plans.

The group discussed the need for regional type 3 teams to manage county EOCs. These would be multi agency teams that include command and general staff. Simpson will attend the emergency manager's association conference at the end of the month to talk about the need for these teams. The ultimate goal is to respond better to the citizens of Oregon by working together. Chief Dave Sprando noted that the Mobilization Plan says the FDB Chief will be at the County EOC, however, in Portland, most resources are at the City ECC. Orr and Simpson will follow up with Sprando regarding this concern and put together a small task force.

DPSST All Hazard Training - Harry Ward

Ward reviewed a handout on the DPSST updates. Some of the highlights are:

- The Oregon Fire Service Honor Guard has selected September 18 as the date of the Fallen Firefighter Memorial and the third Thursday in September will be the date every year. The ceremony will be held at the Oregon Fallen Firefighters Memorial located at the Oregon Public Safety Academy in Salem. Additional information will be available in the near future
- The Mobile Fire Training Unit is on the road. The maiden voyage was to Central Oregon.
- Rules for The Denial/Revocation of Fire Certification(s) was adopted and became effective 12.31.07.
- DPSST has received a \$30K grant from OSFM for an All-Hazard Incident Management Team course. The training is free and will be at the Oregon Public Safety Academy in Salem. More information to come.
- DPSST will host the ICC Wildland Urban Interface Institute on May 1, 2008 at the Oregon Public Safety Academy in Salem. The cost will be \$150 for ICC members and \$175 for nonmembers.

Oregon Wireless Interoperability Network (OWIN) -Lindsay Ball

In 2005 there was a directive to consolidate the four statewide radio systems of ODF, OSP, DOC, and ODOT along with the mandate to move from wideband to narrow band. There is \$76 million dollars set aside for this project and Ball has estimated this project at \$400 million dollars. Estimated completion is 2013. If partnerships are formed to share towers, the savings could be as much as \$42 million dollars. Ball asked those interested in joining this partnership to contact him.

Good of the Order

SFM Orr thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and for their work throughout the year.

Adjourned 3:20pm