

**FRMAC / State Semi-annual Conference Call**  
**January 23, 2008**  
**8:00 – 9:30 PST**

**Notes**

**I. Attendees**

- States Represented:

Arizona	Kansas	South Carolina
Arkansas	Michigan	Tennessee
California	Minnesota	Vermont
Florida	New Hampshire	Washington
Georgia	New York	
Idaho	North Carolina	

- Federal Agencies Represented:

DoD	USDA	RAP Region 5	Sandia
DOE	HHS	RAP Region 6	
DHS	Veterans	RAP Region 8	
EPA	CDC	Los Alamos	
NRC	RAP Region 3	Livermore	

- Other:

Canada
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**II. FRMAC Events Calendar**

- Please review calendar and clarify/correct dates

**III. Main Discussion Item – TOP OFF 4**

- Discussion of overall exercise and After Action Report (Lessons Learned) - Jeremy Greenberg, DHS

***T4 Exercise Summary***

- **Type of Exercise**

- Full-Scale Exercise with functional and tabletop components

- **Exercise Dates**

- Prevention Components: 26 Days:
  - Arizona: 17-27 Sept.
  - Oregon: 24 Sept.-10 Oct.
  - Guam: 1-10 Oct.
- Full-Scale Exercise: 6 Days, 15-20 Oct.
- Long Term Recovery TTX: 2 Days, 4-5 Dec.

- **Locations :**

- Arizona, Guam, Oregon
- National Capital Region, Regional Commands/HQ's

- **Participants:** Approx 23,000
  - Players: 18,074
  - Controllers: 1,269
  - Evaluators: 606
  - Observers/VIPs: 689
  - Victim/Role-players: Approx 2,900

#### ***T4 Objectives***

- **Prevention:** To test the handling and flow of operational and time-critical intelligence between agencies to prevent a terrorist incident
- **Intelligence/ Investigation:** To test the handling and flow of operational and time-critical intelligence between agencies prior to, and in response to, a linked terrorist incident
- **Incident Management:** To test the full range of existing procedures for domestic incident management of a terrorist weapon of mass destruction (WMD) event and to improve top officials' (Federal/State/local) capabilities to respond in partnership in accordance with the NRP and NIMS
- **Public Information:** To practice the strategic coordination of media relations and public information issues in the context of a terrorist WMD incident or incident of national significance
- **Evaluation:** To identify lessons learned and promote best practices

#### ***T4 Mission Areas / Target Capabilities / Issues***

- **Prevent**
    - **Intelligence and Information Sharing and Dissemination**
      - Varied Common Intelligence Pictures
      - Intelligence dissemination shortfalls
      - Multiple RFI processes
  - **Respond**
    - **Onsite Incident Management**
      - On-Site Incident Command
    - **Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Management**
      - Unified Command and Control
      - Federal Operational Cycle ( "Battle Rhythm")
      - Low Density / High Demand Assets
      - Coordinating International Cash Assistance offers
      - Optimizing Private Sector Integration
    - **Emergency Public Information and Warning**
      - Scientific Modeling and Public Messaging
  - **Recover**
    - **Economic and Community Recovery**
      - Recovery Issues for Federal Plans
      - Increasing Federal Laboratory capacity
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- Exercise Evaluation Guides used during the exercise and a team is now reconstructing the exercise for the after action report.
  - There was a two-day meeting last week to evaluate what went right, what went wrong, corrective actions planned and who will be the lead for each corrective action.
  - The final After Action Report is due to the Sec. of DHS 03/12/08.
  - There will be a National After-Action Item Conference in Oklahoma City in March of 08. Administrator Paulson will send out invitations.
  - Still trying to determine what can be released to state & local government but that would not have to be released to the press. Legal counsel at DHS is reviewing. DHS is planning future exercises.

- Top Off - Discussion on specific areas
  - **First Responders**
    - RAP Region 8 sent two full teams to T4 prepared to play 24/7. It was a good opportunity to deal with ICS.
  - **State/Local EOCs, etc**
    - There is an issue about how elected officials communicate with their constituents
    - There are differences in how state and local governments selected information to share.
    - The suggestion was made, for a multiple event scenario, to consider a RDD and power plant exercise.
    - Tennessee is looking for a pathway ingestion exercise. This would require a FRMAC out to 50 miles. They are learning how to exercise all of the teams. Have only exercised the emergency phase and would like have an exercise during the post plume phase. Colleen wants to better understand how we can support the team. She wants to have a separate call.
    - The EPA has some fly over capability. The data EPA collects needs to be reviewed and determine if the data measurements are expressed using the same conventions as DOE. It would be good if the measurements taken by both EPA and DOE were the same. There is a need for a better understanding of the EPA flyover capability.
    - There was interesting dynamics between city and county governments. The situation could have come together quicker if decision makers would have met earlier.
  - **Unified Command**
    - There is some difficulty when the Radiological and Operations are split under the Unified Command. There was some difficulty at Vigilant Shield in Tucson.
  - **Advisory Team**
    - Mostly worked out of the County Health Department. There were some issues with the multiple Unified Command locations. Did not have enough space to put everyone at the same facility. A facility like the convention center should be used
    - Shelter in place was maintained longer then it should have been.
  - **FRMAC**
    - By definition, the FRMAC is a low-density high demand asset. During multiple events, what other assets can be utilized?
    - There was much more interaction and coordination at T4 then during T2. FRMAC has jumped light years ahead. Maps were helpful and could be pulled up in multiple EOCs T4 was a good learning opportunity for the Oregon field teams.
    - Jim Hardeman, GA comments that we did not have the automation at Southern Crossing. He had pointed comments after Southern Crossing about the lack of automation. There are still some connectivity issues. These should be worked on before the next exercise. FRMAC has made great strides. CMHT did a great job.
    - Kathy Beecher, RAP Region 8 complimented the CMHT. It was helpful to have the bridge line coordinators, NARAC and assessment scientists all on the line together.
    - Dave Bowman, DOE/HHSA HQ. advised that 20 additional MPCDs will be made available to the RAP regions
    - Steve Woods, CA observed the FRMAC direction and how it fit into the Unified Command. It went well. Coordination of Liaisons was worked

out by day three. Local governments need to identify where we need liaisons.

#### **IV. Status Reports and Agency Updates on Manuals, Guides and Working Groups**

- National Response Framework (DHS)
  - Chad Johnson FEMA Region 6 commented that the National Response Framework rollout is scheduled for 03/08. Incident Annex rollout date TBD. There will be a NRC planning workshop next week with discussion about the differences between the NRP and NRF. Chad's presentation is included as the 2<sup>nd</sup> attachment.
  - Nuc/Rad Incident Annex will be released within the next month or two.
- EPA, Sara Decair EPA/HQ
  - EPA PAG Manual revisions are ready for public review. They are in OMB review now. Google EPA.GOV and search for PAGS for information and PowerPoint presentation. <http://www.epa.gov/radiation/rert/pags.html>
- FRMAC Post-Emergency Work Group – Gregg Dempsey, EPA
  - Working on transition of the FRMAC from DOE to EPA at the start of phase 3. Minutes to Post-Emergency Work Group meeting will be sent out in a later email when they are received. Send comments to [gregg@epa.gov](mailto:gregg@epa.gov)
- Advisory Team
  - There will be an Advisory Team meeting in Atlanta 02/28-29/08 in Atlanta.
- Population Monitoring Work Group & Atlanta meeting – Armin Ansari, CDC
  - There will be a meeting at the CDC.
- Mars Science Laboratory
  - Launch is scheduled for 04/09
- FRMAC Manuals- Colleen O'Laughlin, DOE/NNSA
  - Assessments looking at an addendum. Changing to three ring binders so that changes can easily be made to Health & Safety/Operations manuals. Expect update by the end of CY08

#### **V. Conferences / Training / Outreaches / Exercises – Jan 2008**

- Conferences
  - NREP
    - NREP Conference will be held in Las Vegas 04/08. pFRMAC will be demonstrated during conference. Tour of NTS will be available. There will be a special event at the Atomic Energy Museum.
  - CRCPD
  - HPS
- Training
  - RAPTER
  - Capstone, Las Vegas, NV
  - Other
- Nuclear Power Plant Exercise and Outreaches – Calendar 2007-2008
  - Wolf Creek NPP Outreach Only – KS

- St. Lucie NPP Outreach & IPX - FL
- ANO-REX NPP Outreach & IPX – AR
- North Anna NPP Outreach & IPX– VA
- Catawba/McGuire NPP IPX – SC/NC
- Columbia NPP Outreach & IPX– WA
- Sequoyah NPP Outreach & IPX- TN (need outreach date)
- Duane Arnold NPP Outreach Only- IA (need date for Outreach)
- Point Beach NPP Outreach & IPX- WI (need date for Outreach)
- Other (RDD, IND, Other, Lessons Learned, etc.)
  - Diablo Bravo, OR (Robb Hadley, LLNL & states, locals, federal agencies)
  - Empire 09, NY
    - **The exercise is scheduled for 06/09 in Albany NY**
    - Lori Thomas is the DOE Lead Planner
  - DoD Exercise in FY09 -

#### VI. Open Discussion / Next Call

- **The next call is scheduled for Wednesday, July 23, 2008 from 8-9:30 PT**