

September 21, 2007 1030 Conference Call – Logistics Task Group

Call began at 1030 hours, and last approximately 1 hour.

Attendees:

Matt Cnudde, FS, Cache Rep.

Jim Starling, NPS Rep.

Paul Hannemann, Eastern States Rep.

Tony Doty, BLM Rep.

Laurel Simos, BIA Rep.

Rich Rusk, Chair

Agenda Items:

Report for FEWT:

Project Proposal # 17; Incident Information Bulletin Boards:

Description: Highly portable, lightweight, sturdy, wind resistant, cache supplied, Incident Information Bulletin Boards for Public Display of Important Incident Information.

All feedback was collected and sent to Rusk, who consolidated it and then forwarded the information back to the Task Group.

Limited # of responses; suggests this is not a high priority:

Most all responses came from PIO's – minimal feedback from Logistics/FACL personnel.

Discussion points from reply's varied and much of the content is noted below;

Waiting 48 – 72 hours is not acceptable to have a bulletin board available for Public Information outside the base facility. Then the question becomes which is more important, public information made available or have a bulletin board on which information can be posted?

Bulletin Boards are constructed and then torn apart (cannibalized) after the incident, repeated construction is a cost factor.

Bulletin Boards are constructed and left behind on every Type 2 and Type 1 Incident. IF the bulletin boards could be a cache item then the building and “rebuilding” would be minimized and it would be a cost savings over time.

Cost efficiency is a consideration.

Bulletin boards probably are not the highest priority for a cache or a cache van.

What has changed in the way we do business for every assignment? Figure out how to make it work, then go ahead and make it work, PIO's to coordinate with LSC and vice versa. (status quo), meaning this is not an issue.

OPTIONS to consider:

Identify the best construction process & materials;

4'X4' or 4'X8' ¼ inch plywood;
#’s of 2’’X2’’ or 2’’x4’’ framing
nails, hammer, hand saw, power saw,
foam board or cork board, for push pins,
clear plastic sheeting for protection from rain, sleet, etc

if free standing, how to anchor in wind, (weight down w/sand bags, etc)

hard surface vs. mesh surface (much like prescribed fire signing or like the Incident Support Kit, Cnudde has discussed in the past).

Then the decision is still needed, is this stocked in a cache &/or van and delivered ready to build or already constructed, or is it ordered as materials and constructed on site by logistics/facilities?

Are the items (above) ordered as part of the team order, and then built on site?

Cache supplied or can van supplied is an option.

Sandwich boards

Again, size and where to locate; stock in a cache or in a cache van?

Locate – rent locally.

Home Unit – Dispatch center’s: Make this an item in a Service & Supply Plan for local purchase or rental.

Local purchase or rent, either for the construction materials or the sandwich boards.

Utilize San Dimas and Missoula Technology & Development sites for additional information, and/or for design.

Utilize the website: Search for sign manufacturer’s for specific needs.

Websites for research: (these websites were mentioned in the responses but can be local as well); WE do not sanction one company or website over another, these are examples only: Buildasign.com, mdiworldwide.com, Nutron-OSM.com, displaydynamics.com, and many others are available.

Add to “Camp in a Box”, or “Camp in a Bag” vendor/contract.

Add to the mobile food service, (caterers use white boards for their menus), so someone thought it could added to that vendor contract.

Another vender potential is the clerical support trailer, which makes posters, plots maps, maybe they could carry the sign and rent it, examples NorthTree, FireDawg, etc... again not favoring one vendor over another, just identifying other options.

IMT's deal with these kind of issues, separately and independently. Some IMT's have a budget and carry their own materials, so those IMT's can either build on site, or transport a pre-constructed bulletin board(s).

NOT all IMT's are supported equally for budget. Some IMT's have Team magnetic signs, some IMT's have their own trailers for initial start up, and some IMT's are supported from their individual GACC's.

Either the item itself and/or the construction materials can be ordered on the initial order, or be on the mobilization checklist (formerly known as the pre-order) by an IMT, and specified who is ordering what on the resource order (deliver to PIO at the ICP).

In addition to the discussion above, the Task Group also discussed how to better distribute or request information exchange. Tony Doty mentioned the Lessons Learned website; example maybe Proposal 17 should have been posted there as well to provide better feedback; in researching the PIO Lessons Learned website the Proposal was not an issue of discussion.

Rusk submitted the request for feedback to the AC/IC point of contact (Mike Lohrey). Some AC's and some Type 1 IC's did forward the request to either their individual PIO's and/or on to some Type 2 IC's. Rusk forwarded the proposal to some Fire Prevention personnel as well. Simos mentioned she also shared the request for information and received no reply's.

Final point, we can only offer the opportunity, we can not make individuals reply.

Update on 2008 National Logistics Workshop:

Date: March 17 - 21

Planning Cadre to arrive on Sunday 3/16

Monday 3/17 Set Up, Preparations, & Registrations from 3:00 to 5:00

Tuesday 3/18

7:30 am Registrations & Check in (Run Rolling Power Point at

8:00 to get people moving towards their seats and getting rolling)

9:00 am Start the General Session

2:30 pm Tentatively Start the Break Out Sessions

Thursday 3/19 Workshop ends at 5:00pm

Friday 3/21 Have the Cadre Meeting/Closeout

Location: Silver Legacy Hotel and Resort, Reno, Nevada.

Check NLW website for additional information.

Dick Reynolds and Martin Maricle are the Co-Chairs.

Theme has been decided,

Currently the agenda has not been finalized.

Tony Doty, Paul Hannemann and Rich Rusk, are on the Planning Cadre.

Planning Cadre has had conference calls, next one on 10/4/07 from Reno.

Some planning cadre will meet in Reno, 10/4/07 to discuss facilities and layout, at the Silver Legacy, Rusk to attend.

General Session, then break out sessions.

Break Out sessions more subject matter related vs. functional unit as in the past.

Registration to begin on Monday, and the NLW website and registration information will be posted as in the past.

3 Days of CTSP

2 Days of COML

Funding Question: FS \$10,000.00

All other Agencies, currently amount unknown as of today.

Suggestions for Workshop Breakout Sessions:

National Incident Business Practices/FSC update; Kathy Shelton

Ie; contract drivers are not approved to drive rental vehicles, etc

Migration from the NIIMS to NIMS; Paul Hannemann

Other Discussion Items:

1). Hannemann will contact Cherie' Sanders and request that proposals or information that needs to be addressed or elevated can be submitted to the Log. Task Group. Information or issues can be sent to Cherie' who can then forward them to Rusk, or it can be sent directly to Rusk who will forward on to the Task Group. Suggestion Box maybe at the 2008 NLW and forward for sharing or for further action might also be a good opportunity for those attending the NLW.

2). Spring meeting will be Monday morning March 17, in Reno, at the Silver Legacy, location to be determined. This is the first morning of the National Logistics Workshop (NLW). Please plan to attend, if you cannot attend, we will attempt a conference call for those who cannot.