



## Task Force Update April 11, 2018

1. **Task Force elections and Liaison assignments to Specialist Groups effective February 2018:** Tim Kelly (LFD) Chair, Dave Barnett (San Jose Fire Department) Vice-chair, Grant Hubbell (BDC) Secretary.
2. **New members joining Task Force:** Kyle Heggstrom (Linda Fire Protection District) – Fire Districts North, Dave Gerboth (San Diego Fire) – Fire Districts South, Van Arroyo (Department of Interior) -National Park Service, Matthew Lavesque (Orange County Fire Authority) – OCFA. Retired or retiring members: Ken Cruz (OCFA); replaced by Matthew Lavesque, Eric Holly – Volunteers Fire Departments; position remains vacant, Jason Loomis (NPS) – replaced by Van Arroyo (DOI) effective April 2018, Elizabeth Barrera (USFS South Ops) – USDA Forest Service retiring in May 2018; identifying replacement.
3. **State of the Task Force:** The relationship of team is cooperative, cohesive and highly professional. Strong mix of tenured and newly appointed members with vast array of experience, skill sets, knowledge and abilities. Enhances group’s ability to produce top quality products and fulfill FIRESCOPE mission. Tenured members provide necessary mentoring and development of new members while maintaining best practices, protocols, historical perspective, and continuity of operations in the delivery of work products.
4. **2018 Task Force Objectives:** 1) Complete FIRESCOPE Plan of Work consistent with established timelines; 2) Review and update processes as needed to enhance the Task Force’s effectiveness, efficiency and productivity; 3) Seek and capitalize on opportunities to strengthen the relevancy of FIRESCOPE while leveraging technology and innovation to position the organization for the future.
5. **Task Force Project Management:** Dropbox reorganization and interim project management tracking sheet. Transition to “Smartsheet” project management system (target date Fall of 2018).
6. **Letters of Appreciation:** Task Force: Elizabeth Barrera and Eric Holly. Several members on Specialist Groups. Cathy Johnson prepared for signatures at April 11, 2018 BoD meeting.

7. **Task Force 2018 Public Roster:** Posted to FIREScope website. Confidential Roster in Dropbox in "Rosters" subfolder under "Task Force" main folder.
8. **California Fire Service Behavioral Health Update:** Placed on CISM/Peer Support tab on FIREScope main page. Outstanding product. Highly recommend agencies link to internal behavioral health resource list.
9. **NWCG collaboration:** Contacts established by Chief Johnstone with Mike Cherry (NIMS Integration) and Steve Shaw (Operations and Training). Provided access and NWCG committees schedules and link for members to subscribe to receive current updates.
10. **Plan of Work:** Update on projects assigned to Task Force by Ops Team in January 2018:  
1) ICS 900 - CA Fire Services User's Guide to Disaster Declarations and Agreements for Cooperation; 2) MACS 410-1 Procedures; 3) CISM/Peer Support Guidance; 4) CAD to CAD Interoperability Study; 4) Resource Ordering and Overhaul; 5) Marketing and Messaging (Kelly to cover more details during agenda item).
11. **MACS Exercises:** North Ops (Redding) April 25, 2018; South Ops (Riverside) May 16, 2018. Lead facilitators from Task Force identified with junior members shadowing to move into lead role in 2019. FIREScope Past, Present and Future PowerPoint updated by Chief Johnstone with Task Force feedback. Exercises will all be wildland based and recent events will be used to create simulated 209s for the exercises. Evaluation forms will be provided to participants to improve future product delivery (Johnstone to cover more details during agenda item).
12. **Specialist Groups:** Plan of Work, Charter and Rosters being updated to Task Force for review during April meeting. To Ops in June.
13. **Documents - Work projected for Ops Team in June 2018:** 1) Cad to CAD White Paper; 2) CISM/Peer Support White Paper; 3) MACS 410-1 Revision; ICS 900; 4) ITSS - COML Position White Paper & Channel Limitations Statewide Group 3 Load White Paper; 5) Document Implementation Checklist and MACS 400-1 (MACS Document Control System) language revision for Document Distribution and Filing Section in MACS 400-1.
14. **Follow-up Items:** 1) NIFC Command Frequencies 1-6 availability. Communications Specialist Group preparing operational briefing by April 6<sup>th</sup> for Chief Zagaris to

disseminate to California Fire Service; 2) ICS 420-1.3 (Area Command) and ICS 240 (Managing Large Scale Incidents Area Command) inquiry by Robert Neamy on need to consolidate. Task Force reviewed and recommends keeping both, but ICS 240 requires formatting update to be consistent with MACS 400-1 (MACS Document Control System).

15. FIRESCOPE Task Force and Specialist Groups Review of NIMS Job Titles/Positions Qualifications and Resource Typing Definitions:

<b>Specialist Group</b>	<b>NIMS Section Reviewed</b>	<b>Status</b>
HazMat Specialist Group	Environmental Response Section	No Feedback Provided by Deadline
US&R Specialist Group	Infrastructure Systems Section	No feedback Provided by Deadline
Communications Specialist Group	Operational Communications Section	No feedback Provided by Deadline
EMS Specialist Group	Public Health/EMS	Reviewed - No Recommendations
EIT Specialist Group	Situational Awareness Section	Reviewed - No Recommendations
Aviation Specialist Group	Situational Awareness Section (UAS 508/509)	Reviewed - No Recommendations
Safety Specialist Group	All Sections for Safety Nexus	Reviewed – No Recommendations

NOTE: Task Force personnel were assigned the “Operational Coordination Section” of the NIMS Job Titles/Positions Qualifications and Resource Typing Definitions. The review produced four (4) NIMS Feedback forms: 1) Three feedback forms related IMT Composition and Ordering Specifications; 2) One form related to IMT Composition and Ordering Specifications, Description and Resource Types Table.