IMT's Role in Documentation

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Why?

- Freedom of Information Act
- Lawsuits
- After Action Reports (AARs)
- Industry Standard
- Investigations
  - Injuries to FR and General population
  - Cause of Incident
  - Insurance agencies
  - Timber Industry Management Organizations

MAY NEED TO KNOW 5 to 7 YEARS FROM NOW!
AHIMT Brown Ranch Fire IMT’s Role

• Before being deployed scope out the area that you will be assigned to.
• Have a “Go Kit” ready to go for your position.
• Upon arrival briefing is required. (we are there to assist) Alamo AHIMT/ RGV AHIMT
• Gather any documentation that has been started.
IMT’s Role

• Establish an effective Command Post
• What resources do we need to operate
IMT’s Role

- Identify IMT Members experiences
- Establish a Battle Rhythm
- Don’t be afraid to ask for help
- Focus on the mission assignment 18,000 acre fire in rough terrain
- Blend together as one team
- Work for one common goal
- Be ready to assist where needed
- Be professional someone’s always watching
IMT’s Role
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IMT’s Documentation Role

• Gathering Documentation ICS 201
• IAP’s 202,203,204,205,206,207,208
• ICS-211 Check-In
• ICS-209 Incident Status Summary E-mailed to Jordan Smith TFS by 11 am daily
• ICS 213 General Message
• ICS-221 Demobilization Check Out
• Daily CTR’s, Equipment Shift Tickets
• Maps, Weather forecasts, Receipts, Claims
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- Brown Ranch Complex Fire - August 12-16, 2015 Agencies
- Texas Forest Service    Guy Duncan, Rich Gray    979-218-2404
- Alamo AHIMT Team Leader   Mark Witherell 210-232-7741
- Alamo AHIMT Team Members - Mark Trevino, Ernest Salazar, Jesse Ramon, Eric Jones, Shane O’Neal, Rachelle Littlefield
- Alamo Area TIFMAS        Darren Brinkoetter 830-837-9271
- Capital Area TIFMAS      Craig Walker 512-970-9802
- Texas Parks & Wildlife    Mike Lloyd 210-478-9461
- DPS District Coordinator Fernando Perez 830-776-8773
- American Red Cross       Terri Faglie 830-688-3535
- Edwards County Judge      Souli Shanklin 830-683-6122
- Edwards County EMC       Jon Elliott 409-790-3720
- Edwards County Sheriff   Pamela Elliott 830-683-4104
- Rocksprings VFD           Todd Weaver 830-683-4111
- Pedernales Electric Co.   Douglas Haynes 325-446-6088
- Rio Grande Valley AHIMT  Edward Marks 956-459-2276
IMT’s Documentation Role

• Documentation submitted to Texas Forest Service. Chief of Parties
• Folders and boxes work well to store and transfer over documentation.
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- Rio Grande Valley AHIMT Team Member – Javier Quiroga
- US Border Patrol – Mark Hunt 830-683-2255
- Gilmer Library – Lisa Scroggins 830-683-8130
- TXDOT – Jeffrey Yeaman 830-683-2188
- Divide VFD – Jimmy Dress 830-459-5169
- Nueces Canyon VFD – Josh Cox 830-591-6539
- Uvalde VFD – Justin Schmidt 830-279-4268
- Sonora VFD – No contact person 325-387-2428
Brown Ranch Fire Summary

• Summary:

• Responded to the Brown Ranch Fire on 8/10/2015, at 2000. Arrived on scene around 2300 and tied in with the Rocksprings FD Incident Commander and came up with a tactical plan which utilized dozers and engines, for the next operational period. Fire behavior was very active, with significant runs and mostly driven by a very high Haines Index of 6, unusual high fuel load of cured fine fuels coupled with a high load of dead standing drought killed Juniper and Oak. On Tuesday 8/11, I mapped the fire at 2,100 acres, around 10:00. At 17:00, the fire was mapped at around 10,000 acres (it ended up being around 18,700 acres). This was not with significant drought or wind, but mainly due to fuel, low RH and instability. On Wednesday a type 3 IMT responded to help manage the incident. There were around 25 different agencies who were involved in the incident. Crews worked the fire until Sunday, 8/16.

• Gabriel Mahlum
• Regional Fire Coordinator
• Texas A&M Forest Service
• (830) 333-5589

• AKA Adam Levine
IMT’s Role “Keeping it real”
IMT’s Evaluations

• Closeout and evaluations of AHIMT performance
• After Action Report/ Demobilization
93% of IMTs will be doing IAPs and SitReps
Situation Reporting for the SOC

• TO WHOM?
• What Time Due?
• No Tactics?
• Players (who)?
• What did they do?
• How Many?
• Where are they?
• General Assignment
Other Ideas

- Watch the SOC Battle Rhythm as well
- Key Decision Logs
- Common Operating Picture
- ICs watch you Objectives and keep them Fresh (SMART)
- Management Action Points
- Financial Intelligence
VSQ That Require VSA

Injury and Claims
- All are significant
- Reflect the 215A?
- IAP have effective evacuation plan for responders?

Finance
In State Mutual Aid Reimbursement Invoice showing:
- Amounts claimed for Force Account Labor
- Force Account Equipment Materials
- Rented Equipment
- Travel
- Contracts
Help Us Help You!

• Paint the Picture
• Keep up with your paperwork
• Let us know what you need
• Don’t get behind on your Time Unit