

10/28/20

RIMT Leads / Training Officer Virtual Meeting

Agenda Items

1 – Covid responses (Reese)

- All Regional teams participated in some level of work during pandemic so far
- Alamo Area had full team deployment locally in EOC since March

2 – TFS IMT Covid survey results (Reese)

- This was to acquire state level situational awareness on team deployments locally
- 272 respondents
- Average length of deployment was 50 days
- Regional teams could not provide much help to the state due to their local involvement
 - This was in line with RIMT concept of building local capacity first and foremost

3 – TFS IMT Type 3 Program FY20 annual report (Reese)

- 17 regional teams, 1 state team
- 427 members
- Almost 4000 training hours conducted
- 1940 operational shifts completed at statewide events
- TFS IMT program has IMT trailer support available for use by teams – (3 of these)
- TFS has brought on several new seasonal IMT staff members

4 – New team welcoming (Reese)

- TX Gulf Coast Type 3 IMT
 - Mainly Houston FD members

5 – Fire assignments and single resource assignments for FY20 (Reese)

- Some single resource team members worked out of College Station ICP during wildfire support
- Weather is lining up for another busy wildfire season this year
- Planning on using same model throughout state as last year with Branch level IMT support
- TFS will try and work in some remote access IMT assignments for wildfire season
- Deployed team members can (with prior approval from Chief Reese) bring trainees along with them on assignments assuming the trainee has an active MOA with TFS

6 – Training classes (Reese)

- All FY20 classes were canceled due to covid
- Classes will be rescheduled once pandemic settles down and class size is authorized to be larger
- Team leads to send all training class requests to IMT leads and training officer

- TFS considering the idea of us doing future virtual training for identified ITM classes
 - Please send your thoughts on this to Chief Reese
 - This concept is still being developed but is in line with national IMT program goals

7 – Reimbursements (Chelsea)

- All applicable forms are on the TICC website – RIMT reimbursement forms
- 2020 in general had delays with payments to members for travel
- Reminder for all to submit travel packets to TFS Finance upon return from deployment assignment
- Reminder that TFS reimburses departments and not individuals
 - Member submits to agency, agency submits to TFS

8 – Team member availability (Reese)

- Consensus to move from our weekly Google Forms availability accounting system to an as-needed notification from TFS
 - Probably initial notification as things are heating up and then specific resource request notification as assignments are needing to be filled

9 – Remote check in procedures (Reese)

- New system under development and currently being tested
- Will utilize Survey 123 application (most likely)
- Will create standard ICS 211 as output for incidents to use via Plans and RESL
- This will be used at the incident/branches and will be tied back to central remote check in station
- Currently working on similar remote concept for “demob”
- Training will be coming for these system before roll-out and implementation

10 – TDEM grant funds (Reese)

- Some FY20 money had to be turned back in due to lack of training classes with pandemic present
- TFS considering different model for annual IMT conference – looking at idea of regional, smaller, conferences with less people per event
 - Please send any thoughts on this idea to Chief Reese
- There will be no 2021 Marty Martinez traditional setting IMT conference this coming year

11 – IQS (McElwain)

- Michael assigned this role of IQS management for IMT program
- Intent here is to mimic the TIFMAS system use of credentialing program
- Mike will be sending out specific information to team training officers on IQS concerns soon
- The primary goal of this tool is for regional teams to use this to document and track all team members
- McElwain will begin immediately auditing team records inside of IQS to assure all relevant data is being properly captured and managed by teams

- Will begin this process with Alamo (letter A) team

12 – Task Books (Reese)

- Task Book committee will replace existing Qualifications Committee
 - Looking for two SME's for each: Plans and Logs
 - Send interest for this to Reese
- The only allowable task books to be used will be NQS and NWCG
 - AHIMT ones will be grandfathered in if currently open

13- MOA's (Chelsea)

- Anyone with MOA and deployable needs to be in this system and have al profile information updated correctly – this is an action item for team training officers
- Upload member MOA's to IQS member profile
- Teams to have an alternate training officer on staff
- As of approximately June 2020 TFS is now issuing an updated version of the MOA's to include Type 3 members deploying outside of state in the absence of an EMAC agreement
 - Current MOA's still active
 - TFS will prioritize which members get moved over to new version of MOA (Chelsea handling this)
 - Chelsea will be sharing an example with the teams
 - Any newly created MOA's will be under new format (if team lead so chooses to do this)
 - If you re with an agency you cannot be considered single resource

14- Historic recognition program (Bill Terry)

- Discussion here on possible benefits of this program

15 – 2021 LSSIMT applications

- Process is currently open – see recent emails

16 – New TICC website (Duncan)

- Discussion here briefly to include IMT toolbox included in this website

17 – other (Reese)

- Discussion about State asset tracker in Google Docs
 - Would show what teams are available at moments notice – more to follow
- Discussion on Red Card committee (Reese and Mahlum)
 - Need two SME's for Plans and Logs
 - Send interest for this to Reese or Mahlum

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