

# **WMD Regional Planning Meeting**

## MINUTES

January 10, 2007

1:00 p.m.

### **Conducting:**

Chris Berndt

### **Location:**

Marshfield

### **Agenda Items**

1. Approval of minutes from previous meeting (approved)
2. Introductions

#### **I. Old Business**

##### A. Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee update (Berndt)

- Berndt: 4 subcommittees have presented budget.
- Mitch: Interoperability proposed projects include: Two communication vehicles; 800 Mhz Microwave link to support communications corridor throughout region; Incident Management Team (IMT) Level 4 for Region D; Region D Multi-Agency Coordination Center (MACC). Approximately \$900,000.
- Berndt: The other 3 committees are Mass Care, Volunteer Coordination, and Agriculture terrorism.
- Next meeting is January 18<sup>th</sup> in Mt. Vernon.

##### B. HSRT Funding update (Hall)

- Hall: Attended another meeting in Jefferson City. AT the meeting, it was discussed how to allocate funds by region. The funds will include UASIs. Their populations help bring more money to the State.
- The State is promoting to have regions decide what they have, what they need, and how to fill the difference. Questions include: How many teams do we need, how will they function??
- Capability assessment: Bob Dopp wants capability of entire region. It is necessary to determine total amount of ALL resources for the entire region.
- Meeting next week is to discuss proper justifications in federal grant to receive funding allocations.

C. HSRT's SOPs review (Berndt)

- Berndt: Handouts distributed. A newer State version provides all available with state-wide frequencies. Page 5 references the command channel that every jurisdiction should have access to so that they may check into a scene when arriving.
- When mobilized, ICS forms will always supersede any designated channel.
- Question asked about NIMS training 1300 referenced on page 9. Class unknown.

**II. New Business**

A. Chairman nominations & elections. No new nominations taken from the floor. Written ballots distributed with the following:

- David Hoover (4)
- David Hall (16)
- Chris Berndt (16)

David Hall and Chris Berndt were the top 2. Both present. Motioned and carried for David Hall to serve 2 year term and Chris Berndt to serve 1 year term. Elections to be held January, 2008.

B. State Exercise:

- AJ Liehman: Trying to organize the HSRT exercise for the last part of August. The scenario will be similar to the Waco, Texas event including hostages, decontamination, incident command, etc.
- All the Region D teams would participate with a couple from outside the region. Teams will be called out to a staging area or directly to the site, depending on location. The exercise will likely be on the weekend and conducted on real time for a total of approximately 6 hours. Bomb squad will also be involved.
- Planning team will be organized including contractor and local representatives. The exercise planning will require concepts of operations meeting, initial planning meeting, mid-term planning meeting, and final planning meeting.
- Requested by Chief Berndt not to have exercise on August 22-24 for National Fire Chiefs meeting and at first week of August for large Branson event which involves Branson and Springfield Police.

C. Updates as Available

- 1) Regional Communications Report
- 2) Regional IMT Report: Handouts distributed. Additional personnel, minimum of 24, are needed for the team. Anyone

interested should contact Mike White  
(mww@mwhitefire.com)

3) HazMat Teams

- Neosho (Hickman): 2 personnel in New Mexico for training. Resource typing to be reviewed by the LEPC group next week.
- Joplin (Randals): EM Director is doing resource typing. Have had a recent large annexation of I-44.
- LR: No new report.
- Springfield (Hall): Scheduled weekly training for HazMat team. Working on providing more training time for HazMat personnel.
- Branson (Berndt): Jan 23-25 drill with 7<sup>th</sup> CST and Oklahoma team.

4) Law Enforcement

- No report

5) EMS

- Cox: Resource typing completed.
- St. Johns: Reevaluating response capabilities

6) 7<sup>th</sup> CST

7) Health Department

8) Hospital Planner

**III. Other New Business**

**IV. Next Meeting**

February 14, 2007  
Springfield Station 8  
10:00 a.m.

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## MINUTES

February 14, 2007

10:00 a.m.

### **Conducting:**

Chris Berndt, David Hall

### **Location:**

Springfield, Station 8

### **Agenda Items**

1. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
2. Introductions

#### **I. Old Business**

##### A. Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee update (Berndt)

Berndt: No new changes. Meeting held last week. Beginning to prepare for 2007 Homeland Security funding. Several individuals from RHSOC are going to Jefferson City this week to participate in the creation of the Investment Justifications for the new funds.

Next weeks RHSOC meeting cancelled due to SEMA Hotwash.

##### B. HSRT Funding update (Hall)

Hall: Meeting held in January for HSRT funds. State submitted grant requesting \$5.7 million. \$2.65 million was granted but would not be released until some questions were answered more fully. Many portions of the grant were rewritten and was submitted by the end of January. This should allow the funds for this year to be released.

Every indication is that the HSRT funds will be ending in the next year or two. Future funding potentially will be from the RHSOC and the State Legislature.

Funds are granted to the state based on population, threats, risks, areas covered, critical infrastructure, etc. Percentages by region based upon these criteria gives Region D 10.5%. This equals approximately \$280,000 for the region. Our regional WMD planning committee is a big advantage to the regionalization expected by the State. The Region Committee may need to decide how the regional funds will be allocated to the regional teams.

Berndt: When this started, the State looked at existing teams to enhance them. It was never the intent for the State to fully fund the teams. The State always look just to enhance teams to a WMD level. If the funds go away, the State wants to know if the locals are prepared to continue funding the teams. The State will not pay for the basic level, but hopes to be able to pay the difference for the teams to be at a WMD level.

Hall: Teams will evaluate needs and submit to regional committee. The regional committee will review requests from the teams and recommend to the state which requests should be fulfilled.

The State is looking at credentialing the teams, similar to the Red Card system. Resource typing documents completed earlier were discarded. New form, the Blue Sheet, to be coming down from Bob Dopp. The forms are to be completed by teams.

Standard Operating Guidelines distributed. 3-day meeting in March to review over the SOGs. This will layout from the state level their expectations for local HSRTs. Each team to review and make comments to David Hall. Comments to be made be end of month.

List of equipment for all teams was distributed by state. David Hall distributed copy to each team. Reprint needed for Logan-Rogersville.

Berndt: Law Enforcement is more than just SWAT members. It also includes team protection, perimeter security, etc. from LE personnel. All personnel do not have to have SWAT training.

Hall: HSRT model is moving towards a Task Force 1 model.

Berndt: Question regarding what it means to be self-sufficient for 72 hours. SOGs expected to outline and answer many such questions.

Dawson: Suggestion to somewhat divide region into an East and West division.

Hall: It is up to the region to decide if they need "Forward" teams, all full teams, etc. This is determined by true threats, risk, etc. and funds are allocated based on that.

## II. New Business

### A. State Exercise

Berndt: AJ Lehman unable to attend. HSRT exercise this year for Region D.

Three possible locations for exercise: Camp Crowder, Camp Clark, or camp near Lake of the Ozarks. State is interested at the Lake to involve Water Patrol. Advantage to going out of area is to respond as a team. State has hired same contractor that did Rolla and Mariville exercise. Extended discussion on location. Decided by committee to recommend Camp Clark.

AJ would like 3-4 meetings to work on exercise. He would like one representative from each team. A "trusted agent" is needed that can work on exercise and not fully participate in exercise. These meetings will be in Region D. Representatives to be nominated by next meeting.

Discussion on date of exercise. Decided by committee to recommend September 8, 2007 as primary and September 15, 2007 as alternate.

### B. Updates as Available

#### 1) Regional IMT Report:

Proposed SOGs are being reviewed and finalized. SMESO is overseeing regional IMT efforts. Recruiting diverse membership is priority at this time.

Regional IMT funding support has been submitted in the Regional RHSOC grant application.

#### 2) HazMat Teams

Springfield: Regular training.

Taney County: Exercise with 7<sup>th</sup> CST and Oklahoma 63<sup>rd</sup> CST. Team was challenged in many areas.

LR: Training new hires. Planning hazmat exercise for March.

Nevada: New personnel. Training hazmat technicians.

Neosho: Working on training more with police and ambulance.

- 3) Law Enforcement  
Springfield: Demonstration with bomb team.
- 4) EMS  
Cox: Many sheltering lessons learned through recent Ice Storm. 115 cots distributed from surge capacity trailer during storm.  
  
Taney County: Participated in drill with CST. Exercise helped to define EMS role on HSRT. One medical personnel in warm zone triages for rest of team. Medical also coordinates with local hospitals on available resources.  
  
St. Johns: No new report.
- 5) DNR  
Supported Ice Storm efforts as member of the Disaster Assistance Relief Team (DART).  
Worked Kimberling City boat incident.

**III. Other New Business**

**IV. Next Meeting**

March 14, 2007

Attendance

Chris Berndt: Taney County/Branson HSRT	Shea Lane: LR HSRT
David Hall: Springfield Fire	Troy Smith: Springfield PD
Jimmy Sebree: Nixa Fire District	Bill Spence: Springfield Fire
Lynn Hollandworth: Republic Fire, EMD	Troy Denney: Nevada Fire
Kevin Tw: Taney Co. Ambulance District	Robert Benn: Nevada Fire
Mike Dawson: Cox Health EMS	Mike Eads: Neosho Fire
Bill Downs: St. Johns EMS	David Pratt: MDNR
Richard Griffin: St. Johns EMS	Dennis Clinton: LR Fire
Randy Mantle: LR Fire	Ryan Nicholls: Springfield/Greene County OEM

# WMD Regional Planning Meeting

## MINUTES

March 14, 2007

11:00

### **Conducting:**

Chris Berndt, David Hall

### **Location:**

Springfield, Station 8

### **Agenda Items**

1. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
2. Introductions

#### **I. Old Business**

##### A. Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee update

Berndt: Funding has been submitted.

David Hoover: Volunteer donations and mass care group will meet again to review wording.

Jimmy Sebree: Recent meetings had 12 working groups reviewing and tweaking justifications based on RHSOC activity this year, in order to meet criteria funding categories at federal level; state is not altering 15 categories for 2007.

Berndt: State will await arrival of money before determining what categories to fund.

Hall: WMD received \$2.6 million out of state's \$17 million. Concerns are being raised as to how money is being spent. The Governor is setting up Governor's Advisory Committee to examine how funding is spent.

Berndt: CBRNE money shrinking rapidly; accountability for spent funds must be shown.

##### B. HSRT Funding update

Hall: State trying to decide on 2006 spending. The grant has been rewritten and resubmitted, and funds will be expected to be released soon, but they will also have to be spent soon. The 2007 grant cycle is also being addressed. One issue being examined is whether IMT's should be automatically deployed with WMD

teams. The term IMT has been changed to Incident Support Team (IST).

A state-wide credentialing database is being considered, however issues related to EMS still need to be worked out. Credentialing systems that individual regions are currently purchasing will be integrated into a state-wide, web-based system that will allow responders to log in on-scene. We need to decide whether to go with a badging system. The decision whether to implement a state-wide system is pending the outcome of the development of these systems in UASI regions.

The Governor's Advisory Council has a funding formula based on population, counties served, and critical infrastructure within each region. Region D will receive 10.25% (\$274.5K). Regions will receive funds to maintain capabilities with the possibility of additional funding for enhancement of these capabilities.

Berndt: The idea is to enhance HSRT components, not to create new teams. Prioritization of what needs to be maintained and funded is needed. Concerns have been voiced that current equipment purchased by WMD teams is not being maintained.

Hall: Each region can choose how to spend its funding on maintenance and enhancement; however, each region has been advised that it will be required to maintain these capabilities using its own departmental budgets. Further funding will be based on what is needed to maintain current capabilities. Each team that has been funded to provide a capability is expected to maintain that capability.

Regions F and I have specialized communication vehicles that will be funded with WMD money – discussion regarding this issue will continue.

Berndt: The state had encouraged these two regions to have these vehicles and promised it would help fund them.

Hall: A SWAT representative suggested discharge chambers for weapons, but this is not on the list of approved equipment.

Region C has no teams but was originally allocated grant money. Region G will receive some of this money to enhance its capabilities.

Berndt: Sharing of equipment across regions may be possible in the future, but details of the transactions will need to be worked out. Our region needs to decide what we truly need for maintenance, enhancement, combination, etc.

Hall: An entire component of an HSRT may not always need to be activated. The state is considering deployment of regional assets by resource rather than HSRT.

Berndt: Deployment of resources rather than HSRTs would be most applicable when deployment is outside the region.

Hall: Within the region, teams will be deployed and function as a whole. The state wants one regional point-of-contact through which to request resources.

Mike Dawson: Having an EMS resource doesn't necessarily make sense – EMS is included within the Hazmat or SWAT resource for support reasons. Labeling EMS as a separate resource would separate that relationship.

Scott Zimmerman: In some cases, an EMS resource may be needed to augment another HSRT.

Berndt: EMS supports HSRT, but also has ability to help locals – to act operationally rather than only as logistical support.

Dawson: EMS resources would be called to transport patients, which is a mutual aid issue. EMS elements need to be attached to the HSRT team.

Hall: Another resource typing form will be sent out to assess what and how many type teams are available to be deployed. Typing requirements may increase in the future, thereby decreasing a team's typing level. In these cases, consideration may be given to allocating funds needed to return a team to its previous typing level, if appropriate.

Berndt: Resource typing is a good resource standard to use, as it is based on NIMS. Not every team needs to be a Type I, necessarily.

Hall: The state recognizes that one specific SOG won't be applicable to every team in the state. Rather, a more general SOG will be developed that can be refined by individual teams to reflect their specific protocols.

The state will assist regions with the development of exercises tailored to the situations within each region in order to make them more realistic and applicable.

The state HSRT funding group will meet quarterly to continue discussion of these issues. Standardized MOUs between regions and the state are being considered; however, their need will be reassessed at the next quarterly state-level meeting.

#### C. State Exercise

Hall: Each discipline should be represented on the planning committee to ensure the exercise reflects all testing requirements. Each team also should provide at least one representative to the planning committee.

Berndt: Planning meetings will be held within the region. A location has not yet been decided; however, conducting the exercise within the region would be optimal. Team and discipline planning committee representatives need to be identified soon.

## II. New Business

### A. Regional IMT Report

Sebree: The regional IST is close to having a SOG developed. Sebree will attend. After the SOG is finalized, MOUs need to be worked out and recruitment and training will be developed. IMTs are deployed to be used where needed.

Hall: One area of concern is that IMTs have been generally been deployed to EOCs; however, IMTs shouldn't lose their on-scene capability. A possible solution is to develop EOC support teams.

Berndt: Confusion exists among IMTs as to whether they are intended to be deployed to incident scenes or EOCs.

Sebree: IMTs should be all-hazard, all-level (on-scene and EOC) and multi-disciplined. These are issues that need continued thought and planning.

Hoover: The response to the ice storm was not truly regional; future efforts could be directed toward addressing this issue. The ice storm also illustrated the gap between EMS and hospitals.

### B. HazMat Teams

Branson: focusing on specialized training.

Springfield FD: CST will assist with specialized training.

Nevada: Nothing to report.

Logan-Rogersville: Exercise on March 24 to fine-tune weapons decontamination, CST assisting.

C. Law Enforcement

Nothing to report.

D. EMS

St. John's: Conducting WMD awareness training, hazmat operations training.

E. DNR

Not present.

F. 7<sup>th</sup> CST

1. CPT Zimmerman provided briefing regarding anthrax scare at UM-Rolla incident – cooperation between law enforcement and fire was exceptional. The key to success was law enforcement's dissemination of intelligence quickly to those who needed it. 23 total individuals were decontaminated. Continued efforts should be made to familiarize law enforcement and other responders with the decontamination process.

2. CST would be happy to be involved in September 8 exercise.

G. Health

Nothing to report.

H. Hospital Planner

**III. Other New Business**

None.

**IV. Next Meeting**

April 11, 4:30 pm.

## WMD Regional Planning Minutes

MINUTES  
April 11, 2007  
4:30 p.m.

**Conducting:**  
Chris Berndt

**Location:**  
Grant's Restaurant, Monett

### Agenda Items

1. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
2. Introductions

### **Attendees**

Candy Adams	SEMA
Robert Benn	Nevada Fire
Chris Berndt	Western Taney County Fire
Jimmie Dye	Nevada Police Department
Wendell Hall	MO DNR
Greg Hickman	Neosho
David Hoover	Hospital Planner
Andrew Katen	Springfield-Greene County OEM
Ryan Nicholls	Springfield-Greene County OEM
Mitch Randles	Joplin Fire
Tom Ryan	Barton County EMA
Jimmy Sebree	Nixa Fire District
Troy Smith	Springfield Police Department
Michael White	Redings Mill Fire Departmnet

### **I. Old Business**

#### A. Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee update

Berndt: Letter received pre-approving 2006 funding. 2007 grant has been submitted by the State, will come before the RHSOC later this year.

Candy Adams: Money will be spent for 2007 funding in a similar fashion as 2006.

Jimmy Sebree: Missouri applied for \$81 million for 2007 funding, not including UASI.

## B. HSRT Funding Update

Berndt: [Review of LETPP interoperability communications and Homeland Security WMD Regional Response System (RRS)].

Sebree: RRS money is based on threat matrix.

Berndt: Attention should be given to sustaining capabilities, rather than enhancement. Existing capabilities must be sustained with individual funds, not grant money. Assets used only for WMD purposes, however, might be sustained with grant money.

Troy Smith: What health regulations does SWAT need to follow regarding SCBA use?

Mitch Randles: Joplin performs full physicals for personnel.

Berndt: Check with Springfield FD to see if they could assist with fit testing and talk to them what they do for physicals.

Smith: SWAT personnel have not been given physical examinations for Levels A and B hazmat suits.

Ryan: How are funding changes going to affect the regional WMD plan? What changes need to be drafted?

Berndt: The State wants to push regionalization and ask for specific resources from each region.

Robert Benn: Different teams within a region may have different capabilities.

Randles: Regional assets may be activated based on resource type, rather than an entire team.

Berndt: Kansas City is moving towards this resource typing method. The idea is being driven by the realization that many WMD teams are alike and the State may not want to request a full WMD team.

Randles: Joplin has separated out equipment needed by each resource so that a resource may be deployed independently.

Dave Hoover: The State is talking in terms of "regions."

Berndt: The problem with resource-typing is that, in the early stages of an incident, exactly what resources are needed may not be known.

Benn: Does “specialized” mean a team will only cover one kind of incident, and all future sustainment funding will be directed towards this specialty?

Berndt: No, all teams will have some basic capabilities, the specialization will come with specialties.

Randles: The State seems to be following regional initiatives. Region D has already developed most of what it needs.

Berndt: The State considered sending out an email to activate teams. It has also considered a MONG activation technology that sends a recorded message to pre-identified phone numbers.

The State would like to move toward a regional plan, but is not demanding Region D change its plan.

Sebree: HSRT funding may begin to be channeled through the RHSOC. Money will dry up and regions must decide what they can sustain. If sustainment is not possible, assets should be redistributed. In future years, the RHSOC will decide how much of its money should be directed to HSRT.

Berndt: The State may not be able to redistribute assets, since they give the title to each agency.

Sebree: All HSRT funds are allocated with pre-signed agreements indicating a 5-year period until the State loses all responsibility for assigned assets.

Berndt: Many MOUs are vague or do not exist.

### C. State Exercise

Berndt: The State exercise is scheduled for September 8 at Camp Clark, which has sufficient acreage to conduct a realistic simulation. When can we arrange to have an exercise design meeting? Each team should delegate one representative, or one representative from each discipline, to serve on the exercise design team. Representative will be planners, controllers, and evaluators during the exercise, and CANNOT be players. Representatives should be identified at least 2-3 meetings in advance of the exercise. Reimbursement details will be provided prior to the exercise. The scenario will reflect a Waco-like incident, in which intelligence indicates a developing situation that warrants deployment of teams to the location.

A suggestion has been offered that some or all teams could spend the night in Nevada prior to the exercise; however, doing so would take participating assets out of service for a substantial amount of time.

Also, the State cannot be charged for the use of vehicles purchased with Homeland Security funds.

Ryan Nicholls: How will the 7<sup>th</sup> CST be involved in the exercise?

Berndt: The CST should attend the planning meeting. All participating teams should think about what equipment they need to bring to the exercise and choose a representative(s) to attend the exercise design meeting. The first design meeting was set for May 10, 2007 in Springfield at 9:00 am.

## **II. New Business**

### **A. Regional IMT Report**

Michael White: Incident Management Teams (IMTs) changed to Incident Support Teams (ISTs). All-hazards incidents will request ISTs, whereas IMTs are reserved to fire-related incidents. SOGs are being worked out at state level. The process for requesting teams is currently being examined. The State Fire Marshall's Office may be identified as a coordinating center for these requests.

MOUs are being developed to ensure all involved understand that responding as part of an IST is voluntary and reimbursement will not likely be provided for time and assets deployed. The region needs to work with state on MOUS and SOGs in order to ensure standardized protocol for the State.

The IST application is prepared and ready to go. Training might be funded by RHSOC money. Non-emergency personnel may require additional NIMS training to be a part of IST. One alternative to waiting for the USFA course is to remove what isn't needed in the Type III training and put together a 3-day class.

Mike Rowe and Greg Hickman were able to go to the 5-day Type III logistics training course at USFA.

Greg Hickman: This was a pilot course: no specific incident command training exists. The training was for a Type III incident management team. These teams take care of first responder personnel, not the entire incident. First Responders require assistance with logistics planning.

The training was interesting and involved multiple response disciplines. The course addressed logistics only. USFA is considering development of section-specific IST training for planning, finance, etc.

White: How do the HSRT teams fit into the training schedule with ISTs?

Berndt: HSRTs do not want to show up to an unmanaged incident.

White: Training is only available through USFA, although the State can certify personnel. Would the ISTs be requested with HSRTs?

Hickman: That would depend on the incident.

White: The MO Department of Public Safety is looking at how to determine when to activate an IST. If the State begins calling in state assets through the SEOC, at what point should an IST be activated? ISTs will most likely be requested when HSRTs are requested.

Wendell Hall: An estimated time-frame for response should be given to most incidents, thus serving as a guideline for whether an IST should be activated.

Randles: Any incident involving the request of an HSRT will likely require an IST.

Sebree: Is the region not moving forward until the State gives approval on other forms? Large disparities exist between regions regarding how quickly Type IIIs will move forward. How long do we await approval of the MOU by the State? The MOU can always be revised; should we move forward and begin organizing the team?

White: Will city legal departments sign an MOU?

Randles: Does SMESO or Council of Governments have a lawyer on staff? Let them look at the MOU.

Sebree: The IST may not be developed this year, given the amount of unresolved issues at the state level.

White: The challenge is to arrive at a balance between integrating with the State and getting a regional team organized.

Sebree: We may not be ready to go forward with an IST at this time.

Nicholls: Let's set a timeline of 2-3 weeks for MOU approval, and then pursue development of the IST.

Berndt: Address timeframe in SMESO meeting. [Approved].

## B. HazMat Teams

Neosho: Logistical training continues.

Nevada: Refresher training utilizing technicians continues. Considering training that will use all equipment. NIMS 300 and 400 planned for later this month.

Joplin: Nothing to report.

Taney: Nothing to report.

#### C. Law Enforcement

Springfield PD: Nothing to report.

#### D. EMS

Barton County: Training continues with NIMS HazMat. Waiting for the state exercise. Would like to train with Joplin.

#### E. DNR

David Pratt no longer working emergency response out of Springfield. On June 1 his replacement will arrive from Kansas City. He has 18 months of good experience.

#### F. Hospital Planner

HPPL money planning continues. Movement is going towards mass medical care (i.e., alternative care sites, neighborhood emergency health centers, medical surge, capacity improvement). Studies have been conducted regarding surge capacity and these numbers are being readjusted down. If 50,000 people need to be in hospital during pandemic, the State has room for 12,000. Also identifying alternative care sites. Waiting to see what happens with Elliot System. Looking at another system that the military uses. Still looking at equipment for surge capacity and ability to transport equipment where needed.

### **III. Other New Business**

Exercise Design Meeting will be Thursday, May 10 at Springfield Fire Station 8, following the regional WMD meeting.

### **IV. Next Meeting**

May 10 at 0900 hrs, Springfield Fire Station 8.

# WMD Regional Planning Minutes

MINUTES

May 10, 2007

9:00 a.m.

**Conducting:**

Chris Berndt

**Location:**

Springfield Fire Station #8

**Agenda Items**

1. Approval of minutes from previous meeting (M. Randles, G. Hickman)
2. Introductions

**I. Old Business**

A. Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee update

Berndt: Grant has been written with SMCOG. The grant has been approved. Issues are being resolved over installation costs. We are getting ready to spend money and beginning to think about 2007 grant funds.

B. HSRT Funding Update

Finch: There was a meeting of HSRTs about 6 weeks ago where a couple of changes were made. Compliment to all the teams in Region D for working well together. MO continues to focus on the regionalization concept. Several years ago anyone could stand up and be a HSRT and MO would send money to that team. Minimal coordination efforts were made among teams.

Now, within regions all teams must come together as a team. A HSRT needs to have all functionalities of a HSRT. There are 9 different components of a team which include: Hazmat, Swat, rescue, EMS, Bomb squad, decontamination, etc. A region team must have all components and not one jurisdiction is expected to have all components, thus the need for regional teams.

The funding was broken up among teams. Now, there are funds for continuity which will be dispersed to the regions. The region is expected to analyze there needs and apply these funds for sustainment.

In addition to sustainment funds will be new development funds. For example, if you do not have a SWAT component, then these funds will be applied to build that component. Each region must have all components.

The State wants 9 regional teams. The money will go through the RHSOC starting with 2007. The 2006 funds will go through the WMD committee.

Berndt: When can we expect the money and when does the plan of spending money need to be submitted to the State?

Finch: The State will soon put out deadlines. The State will not “approved” regional priorities. That is expected to come from the region and the state will provide the requested funds as long as the follow guidelines to be distributed by the State. In 2007, the RHSOC will approve funds that are recommended from the HSRT discipline.

The regional concept also extends to training together as a regional team. A real scenario should not be the first time that the regional team works together.

The State will request specific components that need to be activated to specific area.

Randles: Lines are blurred between mutual aid and HSRT activation.

Berndt: Big differences exist in response if the incident is within the region or not. Responding outside the region brings lots of challenges that need to be addressed.

Finch: The State will outline a more clear vision of expectations and activation procedures that will be forwarded to the region.

Randles: Who is deciding certification of the teams?

Finch: Each of the components will follow the federal certifications already established.

Berndt: Resource typing will be the base to determine needs. As a region, we need to decide what level of resource typing for each component we really need.

#### C. State Exercise:

- i. Presentation given by A.J. Lehmen regarding exercise in Nevada at Camp Clark on September 8, 2007.

## **II. New Business**

### **A. Regional IST Report**

No new report for Level III teams. Level IV applications being accepted. Only 2 have been received at this time.

### **B. HazMat Teams**

Joplin: No new report.

Neosho: Met with Wal-Mart representative. Tour of Wal-Mart bunker was extended to Region D for June. Date set for June 27<sup>th</sup>. Everyone interested to meet in Neosho. RSVP with Greg Hickman at 417-451-8021

LR: Exercise last month doing weapons decon. Good lessons learned.

Nevada: HazMat Tech refresher May 19<sup>th</sup>.

Taney County: No report

### **C. Law Enforcement**

Springfield Police: Putting together weapons decon. protocol.

Nevada Police: No report

### **D. EMS**

Cox: No report

St. Johns: Completing WMD Awareness and hazmat operations.

### **E. DNR**

No report

### **F. Hospital Planner**

Looking and asking for input regarding overall healthcare preparations. Applying for new grants to benefit hospitals and EMS.

## **III. Next Meeting**

June 13, 2007 9:00 a.m. at Springfield Station 8

Next meeting to discuss sustainment needs. Every team needs to bring sustainment priorities to the meeting.

### Attendance

Chris Berndt	Western Taney County Fire Dept.
Candace Adams	SEMA
AJ Lehmen	SEMA
Robert Benn	Nevada Fire
Jimmy Dye	Nevada Police
Dana Aumiller	Western Taney County Fire
Bryan Lewis	Rolla Fire Dept
David Finch	MO Homeland Security
Greg Hug	MIAC
Gerald Ezell	Joplin Fire
Mitch Randles	Joplin Fire
David Hoover	Ozark Health Ventures
Patty Head	Bolivar City Fire
Kevin Routh	Springfield Police Dept.
Bill Downs	St. Johns EMS
Shane Vaughan	LR Fire
Greg Hickman	Neosho Fire
Lynn Hollandworth	Republic Fire/OEM
Larry Beatly	Barton County Ambulance District
Jack Raetz	SEMA
Carolyn Schupp	SEMA
Jimmy Sebree	Nixa Fire District
Mike Dawson	Cox EMS
Wendell Hall	MO DNR
Jeremy Kaufman	Tetra Tech
Patty Head	Bolivar Fire Dept
Kent Vanderpool	Taney Co. EMA/EMS
Ryan Nicholls	Springfield/Greene County OEM

# **WMD Regional Planning Meeting**

MINUTES

June 13, 2007

9:00 a.m.

## **Conducting:**

David Hall, Chris Berndt

## **Location:**

Springfield Fire Station No. 8

## **Agenda Items**

1. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
2. Introductions

## **Attendees**

Ken Baremore	Greene County ARES
Robert Benn	Nevada FD
Chris Berndt	Taney County FD
Mike Dawson	Cox Health EMS
Bill Downs	St. Johns EMS
Mike Eads	Neosho FD
David Hall	Springfield FD
Patty Head	Bolivar City FD
Andrew Katen	Greene County OEM
Steve Lisby	Branson PD
Karen McKinnis	Greene County Health Dept.
Ryan Nicholls	Greene County OEM
Bob Payne	7 <sup>th</sup> CST
Mitch Randles	Joplin FD
Kevin Routh	Springfield PD
Jimmy Sebree	Nixa FPD
Troy Smith	Springfield PD
Bill Spence	Springfield FD
Kent Vanderpool	Taney County EMS/EMA
Shane Vaughan	Logan-Rogersville FPD
Dawn Warren	Missouri Emergency Response Commission
Michael White	Redings Mill FD

## **I. Old Business**

- A. Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee update

Berndt: HSAC meeting: presentations made for HSRTs. HSAC does not understand what HSRT does.

RHSOC meeting next Friday at SFD Station 6 at 1:00 p.m.

Hall: HSRT changed to HSRS (homeland security response system). Grant requests for 2007 finished – \$11 million requested (\$5.2 million requested last year, \$2.65 received). Region will decide how funding is divided between jurisdictional members. Signatures from each regional “team” will indicate agreement of understanding funding plan.

Southwest Missouri will receive 10.5% of state funding. Sustainment vs. enhancement costs will be tracked.

Berndt: State worried that some teams may have purchased equipment, but are not sustaining that equipment. Strongly encourage individual “teams” to break down sustainment and enhancement costs.

Hall: State’s intent was never to fund hazmat, law enforcement, or EMS teams. State wants to cover costs above and beyond “regular team” costs required to create and maintain a WMD capability.

How many teams have an MOU of teams with state? *Please provide WMD Committee with MOUs.* A committee has been appointed to look at getting MOUs between individual teams and the State and develop standardized version. Dave Hall will sit on this committee.

Audits will be done on WMD equipment. Location of equipment should be carefully documented.

Berndt: Documentation should clearly indicate *where* equipment is located.

Hall: Does everyone understand timeframe of when assets become property of individual team? Predominant understanding is 5 years. MOU should clearly indicate the timeframe after which teams no longer have to account for equipment. Timeframe would start from the last state audit.

Berndt: If asset is sold after its time of service, who will keep this money?

Ken Baremore: Who sustains equipment after its time of service?

Hall: What happens to equipment assigned to entities that no longer choose to maintain an HSRS capability?

Hall: ODP training manual outlines WMD training available to first responders. Let Committee know if you have problems scheduling training.

## B. HSRT Funding Update

Berndt: State divides funding by population and threat to critical infrastructure. KC and St Louis UASIs each get 25% of state's funding. Without inclusion of UASIs in funding considerations, Region D would receive much less funding. Region D receives just over 10% (\$274,522.94).

Hall: State would like to focus on current CBRN functions before expanding into other functions. How should funding be equitably distributed within region? Historically, each Region D team was funded separately (Springfield, Taney, and Joplin received \$150,000; Neosho and Nevada received \$75,000).

Berndt: State wants each region to maintain EOD, mass decon, EMS, SRT, and Hazmat components. How best to divide funding within region? One possibility is to give 15% to Springfield EOD, Greene Co. 20%, Joplin 20%, Taney County/Branson 20%, Neosho 12.5%, Nevada 12.5%).

## C. Resource Typing

Hall: What capabilities does each team have? Capabilities assessments will guide funding goals, what is required to increase type level of team component.

SPD: How does region decide component type levels?

Hall: State's concept is that Region D would have only one team. Resource typing will develop over time. Politically, allocating funds within region to fund type levels can be difficult.

Berndt: Theory of geographically centralizing team resources within a region is not realistic.

Hall: State does not want to make decision how funding should be allocated within the region. Over time, Region D will likely have one team, supported by capabilities of various jurisdictions.

Berndt: Every component does not necessarily need to be Type I. Tom Moore from SEMA will do grant administration: wants letter from each region (signed by each team) indicating how funding will be spent.

Jimmy Sebree: Is this committee comfortable with being able to function as a team if funding dries up?

Berndt: Eventually, some teams may have to make the decision not to maintain a component any longer. State would like regions to figure out how to sustain components long-term should funds dry up.

Karen McKinnis: How will teams address biological terrorism?

Dave Hoover: What kinds of equipment or training would be needed to maintain bio terror response?

McKinnis: Sustainment costs exist for radios. Health Dept should be included as a Springfield agency.

Hall: Equipment that is most expensive to sustain has not been identified completely.

Mike Dawson: MOUs equalized each team's sustainment costs. Teams agreed to provide certain capability.

Mitch Randles: Joplin's sustainment costs are derived from what equipment needs to be maintained above and beyond equipment normally purchased out of city budget.

Hall: This (Joplin's) funding concept is what State would like each team to adopt.

Troy Smith: Should consider more comprehensive examination of component that may respond on behalf of region. Each jurisdiction could contribute some of its share of the regional funding to maintain a component used by the entire region. Whoever gets this component must agree to provide the component when needed across the region.

Randles: Teams will have to train together.

Hall: One example is the SFD EOD component. Can this EOD component provide assessment capability to each regional component? Required training to do this is significant.

Smith: Not enough time to get two teams from different jurisdictions to operate on same page. Probably don't want to integrate two teams at a tactical level.

Hall: Integrating teams tactically would require same SOPs (difficult to do).

Nicholls: A component maintained by one jurisdiction could keep training and SOP within a department/agency.

Randles: Each team may have to look outside its jurisdiction for assistance from better equipped and trained teams in the region.

Hall: State wants each component to be sustainable for three days. One consideration would be to utilize Neosho as a logistical support team. Funding for Neosho would be directed at providing logistical support for other deployed components.

Hoover: What would be minimum to give SPD night capability?

Kevin Routh: \$60,000.

Berndt: Time constraints are influencing definitions of sustainment and enhancement.

Nicholls: Enhancements would come from resource typing.

Routh: Could sustainment funding be divided by components rather than jurisdictions?

Hall: State considered funding allocation based on component and arrived at the same funding formula as that which allocated funding based on jurisdiction.

Routh: This plan would force jurisdictions to pick between components to be funded. Components should come together to decide what needs to be funded. Springfield SRT needs to get together with Joplin and Branson in order to decide what equipment is needed by each jurisdiction for various scenarios.

Berndt: Taney County's five components discussed and arrived at spending requirements for each component.

Hall: Advantage to current funding allocation system is that it does away with the team concept. Long term path would create single Region D team for each component.

Berndt: State is not comfortable with response distances associated with the "one regional team" concept.

Hoover: Intraregional SRT discussion is a good sign. Same should take place among EMS and Hazmat.

Hall: For example, the Greene County team would no longer exist. Instead, jurisdictions would become part of an intraregional component.

Jimmy Sebree: This system would be similar to how RHSOC operates.

Randles: Does time allow this new concept to be developed? A funding time crunch currently exists.

Routh: These issues should be addressed at this meeting.

Hall: Each intraregional component needs to get together to collectively decide how to spend money. This plan would then guide funding.

Berndt: Other components will have to be deployed with requested component.

Hall: Does committee want to allocate funding by jurisdiction or component? Is there time to decide this year?

Nicholls: If we respond within region, we'll follow team concept. Outside region, we'd respond according to component concept.

Berndt: Response within region would utilize team concept. Response outside region would utilize component concept. Region D needs to address intraregional needs before looking at state needs.

Dawson: Distribution of funds by component would be difficult. Region is accustomed to functioning as teams.

Hall: State would not be agreeable to increasing number of entities to which funding is allocated.

Dawson: If organized by component, who collects funding?

Hall: A matrix-style organizational structure may be useful to address these issues. This structure coordinates entities and components, and may be a method to consider for next year.

Nicholls: This is the same structure that coordinates SMESO and RHSOC.

Steve Lisby: Time is the issue. Given the time constraints, team concept should be used.

Randles: *Makes motion that current team concept be used to direct funding for this year.*

Lisby: *Seconds motion.*

Routh: Why does Springfield EOD not become part of Greene County HSRS?

Berndt: SFD has the only EOD component in the region.

Hall: SFD EOD responds to and on behalf of entire region. Does not make sense to take funding for SFD EOC from Greene County HSRS funding.

Routh: What would be the next step?

Hall: To determine exact percentages for each component. Each component will need to bring together appropriate jurisdictions to discuss this issue.

*All in favor of using TEAM concept for this year – all approve.*

Berndt: Each jurisdiction needs to sign off that it was included in this decision-making process.

Hall: What percentages should be used for this year? Is current plan equitable?

Randles: *Makes motion that committee go with current funding plan (utilizing team concept).*

White: *Second.*

Hall: *Makes motion to accept this funding concept. (All approve).*

Berndt: Must address 2006 funding issues by using 2006 guidelines.

Hall: Must be CBRN related.

Berndt: State wants resource-typing for each region. What is required to increase type up to the next level? Each team within region will need to fill out this report.

#### D. State Exercise

Randles: September 8<sup>th</sup>. Significant planning has occurred. Next meeting is July 12<sup>th</sup> – will include walk-through of site. Each team has a representative assigned to planning committee. Teams are deciding what part they will play and what assets they will send. Reimbursements are available for overtime funding (no backfill), however the State cannot be charged for use of WMD-funded assets.

Berndt: Travel time not reimbursable – only time spent exercising.

## **II. New Business**

### **A. Regional Incident Support Team (IST) Report**

White: Type IV regional IST under development. This process was begun by Jimmy Sebree several years ago. SOGs are being developed. Participation on IST is being solicited – membership would require NIMS 100-400 training. A class will be offered to further train IST members. ISTs will be able to supplement local capabilities during an emergency. Application for membership is encouraged. Team will be all-hazard and all-discipline. Goal is to have around 35 people trained by Spring 2008. How should IST integrate with deployed HSRS/components?

Hall: State believes IST could be deployed along with requested HSRS components.

**B. HazMat Teams**  
Nothing new.

**C. Law Enforcement**  
Nothing new.

**D. EMS**  
Nothing new.

**E. DNR**  
Nothing new.

**F. Hospital Planner**  
Nothing new.

## **III. Other New Business**

Dawn Warren is the new MERC coordinator. She has 12 years of Hazmat tech and WMD tech experience.

Randles: Need first or second alternate to represent HSRS on RHSOC committee.

Nicholls: *Motion to move Greg Hickman up to HSRS representative to RHSOC.*

Nevada: *Second.*

Hall: *All in favor: all agree.*

Randles: Need second alternate.

Berndt: *Motion to nominate David Hall.*

*Bill Spence: Second.*

Hall: *All in favor: all agree.*

Hall: Need contact information for each team. Contact will be utilized for any jurisdictional request. Review current WMD plan and provide contact information updates.

McKinnis: State is looking to go to a 211 system (funded thru United Way). WMD committee members should update contact information at Library.

#### **IV. Next Meeting**

July 11 in Joplin (after SMESO meeting).

# WMD Regional Planning Minutes

MINUTES  
July 11, 2007  
1:00 p.m.

## **Conducting:**

Chris Berndt, David Hall

## **Location:**

Granny Shaffer's Restaurant; 2728 N. Rangeline Rd. in Joplin

## **Agenda Items**

1. Approval of minutes from previous meeting (Approved)
2. Introductions

### **I. Old Business**

#### A. Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee update

Berndt: The State has 14 investment justifications for 2007 Homeland Security funds (handout distributed). HSRT needs to rate the importance of the different items. A rating needs to be done for the state and one rating for the region. The categories with shading on the handout is not optional to rate.

Each team rated the 14 justifications. Results for state rating are:

- 1) #5 CBRNE
- 2) #12 Training & Exercise Program
- 3) #6 Interoperability
- 4) #8 Law Enforcement
- 5) #7 Mass Sheltering
- 6) #9 Strengthen PSAPs
- 7) #2 Medical Surge
- 8) #10 MIAC
- 9) #1 Agriculture
- 10) #4 MERIS
- 11) #3 Catastrophic
- 12) #11 Enhance CI/KR
- 13) #14 Midwestern States Fusion Center
- 14) #13 Real ID Act

Regional rating:

- 1) #6 Interoperability
- 2) #8 Law Enforcement

- 3) #7 Mass Sheltering
- 4) #9 Strengthen PSAPs
- 5) #2 Medical Surge
- 6) #1 Agriculture
- 7) #4 MERIS
- 8) #11 Enhance CI/KR
- 9) #13 Real ID Act

#### B. HSRT Funding Update/MOU

Berndt: Region D was the first region to have MOU signed about how 2006 funding will be allocated. SEMA verified that equipment lists from each team needs to be sent to SEMA for approval. They will approve equipment list and spending can begin.

#### C. Resource typing

Hall: No updates from State. The State will be sending paperwork to be completed by each team.

#### D. Region D Homeland Security Structure

Hall: We would like to have a POC from each of the disciplines from each of the teams. The different disciplines within the region (i.e. HazMat, EMS) should meet together regularly (i.e. quarterly) to discuss assets/resources and identify regional needs per discipline.

Discipline coordinators should be designated and be responsible for bringing team discipline representatives together. Identified disciplines would be:

- o Mass Decon: Charlie Huston
- o HazMat: Jim Perkins
- o Law Enforcement Kevin Routh
- o EMS: David Hoover

#### E. State Exercise

Berndt: Exercise Sept 8. Planning meeting July 12 at Camp Clark.

## II. New Business

### A. Regional IST Report

White: 14 committed members. 6 others have expressed a strong interest. We are in the organizing process now. CMSU will no longer be teaching NIMS 300 and 400. Plan to bring group together in the next few months

to outline future timeline. Would like to participate at some level in the September exercise.

US Fire Admin. is to hand off 5-6 day training course to MU this fall. This will be utilized for team members. Will use \$25,000 of RHSOC for training and \$50,000 for equipment. IST needs to be self supporting for minimum of 72 hours.

Hall: Let's combine Neosho logistics for HSRTs with ISTs logistical needs.

Hickman: Our team wants to support the region. Logistically, we need to focus on the responders. What quantity of supplies do we need?

Compton: We need to be cautious to recognize if IST and HSRT will always be together. Logistics and Neosho could manage and coordinate needs for IST and work with the IST on providing the resources when needed, either together or separate.

#### B. HazMat Teams

Greene County: Training exercise July 17<sup>th</sup> with Greene County HSRT. 7<sup>th</sup> CST will be participating.

Taney County: No update

Nevada: Refresher completed.

Neosho: Still waiting to setup Wal-Mart tour.

Joplin: No update.

#### C. Law Enforcement

No presence

#### D. EMS

No presence

#### E. DNR

No presence

#### F. Hospital Planner

Applying for Healthcare Facilities Partnership grant. Must have 51% facilities on board. Emergency Management and Public Health must be involved also.

G. 7<sup>th</sup> CST

Boyle: Discussion on training opportunities with local jurisdictions. Slideshow presented with list of training to be performed by 7<sup>th</sup> CST.

- o Operations Cell STXs
- o HAMMER Site (Rad) in Washington. Local players invited
- o Chemical Refresher
- o Small Scale Lab
- o Classes & “Ride Along”
- o “Lanes” Exercises

Other Business:

Hall: Discussion of the use of the media to show and promote HSRT equipment during team exercises. It shows how tax dollars are being spent. All team are encouraged to use local media to demonstrate how Homeland Security funds are being spent.

**III. Next Meeting**

August 8, 2007

Springfield Station 8 at 13:00

ATTENDANCE

Larry Beatty: BCAD	Dennis Clinton: LR Fire
Robert Benn: Nevada Fire	Jim Perkins: Joplin Fire
Bill Thornton: Nevada Fire	Mitch Randles: Joplin Fire
Tom Ryan: Barton County EMA	Mike Eads: Neosho Fire
John Stockdale: Barton County	Greg Hickman: Neosho Fire
David Boyle: 7 <sup>th</sup> CST	Michael White: IST
Keith Wolven: S. Stone County Fire	David Compton: Barry Co. OEM
Patty Head: Bolivar Fire	Candace Adams: SEMA
David Hall: Springfield Fire	David Hoover: Region D Hospital Planner
Chris Berndt: Taney County HSRT	Kermit Hargis: Bolivar OEM

# WMD Regional Planning Minutes

MINUTES

September 19, 2007

1:00 p.m.

## **Conducting:**

Chris Berndt, David Hall

## **Location:**

Fire Station 8, Springfield

## **Agenda Items**

1. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
2. Introductions

### **I. Old Business**

#### **A. Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee update**

Berndt: Spending for RHSOC is going well. IST is probably farthest along on expenditures. The regional coordinators are all hired. Bidding for large projects is in process. 2007 funding should arrive soon.

#### **B. HSRT Funding Update**

Berndt: Which team has 2006 funding? All teams confirmed to have money. This grant cycle will be very short.

Hall: 2007 funding update: David and Chris were at Jefferson City to discuss HSRT guidelines and updates. Weapons decontamination policy was approved. Different MOUs exist for different teams. It was decided that whenever a team signs a grant acceptance letter, they are also signing the MOU for the team. Team also agrees to provide resource typing, conduct training, use the resources for specified purposes, respond will request, etc. Each team will have a capability rating, identifying what the level is of each component for a team.

Question if specific training guidelines were outlined. Answer is no, not at this time. Berndt: If you buy a specific piece of equipment, a team is required to have training on how to use the equipment.

SOG spells out call out process. Berndt: We need to rename weapons decontamination, because it does not spell out how to decontaminate weapons. It outlines more how to place and stage the weapons. Hall: POC were updated also.

Dawson: Need some clarification on the procedures of callback. Hall: Each team should have one POC who will callback for the team.

Hall: The State HSAC started out with \$7.5 million for entire Homeland Security Program. \$1.3 million was allocated for HSRT. An undedicated amount of \$1.1 million was dedicated to HSRT, totaling \$2.392 million. Funds in 2006 were \$2.65 million. State-wide allocations were made the same as last year which gives Region D \$245,502 compared to \$274,000 in 2006. There is current movement on getting the State Legislature to support HSRT which may create a “permanent” source of funding.

Regional funding: How to divide up the funds? 2006 funds were allocated in the following:

- EOD 15%
- GC 20%
- Joplin 20%
- Neosho 12.5 %
- Nevada 12.5%
- Taney County 20%.

If similar allocations were made with 2007 funding then

- 20% would be \$49,100
- 15% would be \$36,826
- 12.5% would be \$30,687

Motion made by Randles to keep same funding allocation. Second by Benn. Motion carried. 2007 funds will be released when all the 2006 details are worked out. 2007 funds will probably be released in 3 to 4 months.

Dawn from MERC would like the GPS coordinates of fire stations. Send coordinates to David Hall.

### C. Review of Nevada Exercise

Nevada Exercise: Benn: Learned more about equipment details and placing them on the correct vehicle. Team is going to develop a checklist. Found a variety of strengths and weaknesses. There were many challenges with controller which was experienced by other teams. There were also challenges with sequence of different pods.

Overall discussion: Lack of information as was expected. Many teams only received a safety brief. Controllers got involved into technical aspects, not allowing them to support the teams from a control aspect.

Communications were challenging, questions about staging channel vs. command channel.

On a whole, it was a good exercise. It may have benefited to intermix more between teams to learn resources and skills of other teams.

Need more evaluators, especially with EMS.

Pods should have been named according to ICS. Questions regarding appropriate representation of teams at the ICP. In real world, each team must provide a representative in ICP. Questions about providing discipline representative instead of team representative.

## **II. New Business:**

A. Regional IST: New equipment coming in. Looking for new members.

B. HazMat Teams

- Neosho: Working with CST for improved communications
- Joplin: Training for LE with lessons learned from exercise.
- Nevada: No new report
- GC: Drill went well;
- Taney: Learned issues regarding command structure;

C. Law Enforcement:

- Branson: Need to establish SOGs and set up training days with team. Training is focusing one specific discipline so other team members see roles of other team members.
- SPD: No report

D. EMS

- Taney: No report
- St. Johns: No report
- Cox: Scheduled for training in Alabama.

- E. DNR: Reminder that DNR response team is a state resource for any hazmat and can provide support in several areas including decontamination, instrumentation, sampling, etc.
- F. Hospital Planner: New grants have ordered medical surge pods, including cots, office equipment, diagnostic equipment, care equipment, pharmaceuticals, etc. Each pod is the foot print of a semi-trailer. These are being distributed across the region, with a total of 2,250. They can be used as acute care or alternative care system. Evacuation plans are being worked for MO hospitals, both with community support and without community support.
- G. 7<sup>th</sup> CST: Looking to next year, wanting to increase participation in exercises. Also working on training and ride along system, which allows responders to pick and choose a particular topic and invite CST to review the components of that topic.
- H. Health: Waiting to see what happens with funding issues which should be known in about a month. Get flu shots.

### III. Next Meeting

November 14, 2007 at 13:00  
 Springfield Fire Station 8  
 Attendance:

Michael White	IST
Greg Hickman	Neosho HSRT
Mitch Randles	Joplin HSRT
David Hoover	Region D Hospital Planner
Kevin Tweedy	Taney County HSRT
Steve Lisby	Branson Police Department
Jeff Ford	7 <sup>th</sup> CST
Wendell Hall	MO DNR
Robert Benn	Nevada Fire
Dennis Clinton	LR Fire
Bruce Bjorge	Springfield Fire HazMat
Bill Downs	St. Johns EMS
Todd Revell	Springfield Police Department
Eddie Delp	Springfield Fire Department
Mike Dawson	Cox Health EMS
Kevin Wolven	Southern Stone County Fire
Steve Hoerning	Springfield Fire Department
Chris Berndt	Western Taney County Fire
David Hall	Springfield Fire Department
Ryan Nicholls	Springfield-Greene County OEM

# **WMD Regional Planning Minutes**

AGENDA

November 14, 2007

1:00 p.m.

## **Conducting:**

Chris Berndt, David Hall

## **Location:**

Fire Station 8, Springfield

## **Agenda Items**

1. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
  2. Introductions
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- I. Old Business**
    - A. Regional Homeland Security Oversight Committee update
    - B. HSRT Funding Update
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    - A. Regional IST Report
    - B. HazMat Teams
    - C. Law Enforcement
    - D. EMS
    - E. DNR
    - F. Hospital Planner
    - G. 7<sup>th</sup> CST
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- III. Next Meeting**

January 2008