

FRMAC / State Semi-Annual Webinar/Conference Call Agenda
29 July 2015
08:00 - 09:30 PDT

NOTES

- Roll Call: States, agencies – Bob Augdahl

Discussion Topics

- **Work Group Updates and Introduction - Alvin Morris, FRMAC Program Manager**
 - FRMAC work group updates
 - Operations manual revisions with more DOE operations

Monitoring - Jeremy Gwin, DOE/NSTec

- Goals: Integrate field teams (see slides)
- South Carolina used Rad Responder and data transferred to RAMS successfully
- Field team transfer of data from our tablets to RAMS went Ok as well
- Monitoring manual 1&2 last updated 2012, could use another update for terms and ground deposition, interior building surveys need more detail

Questions/Remarks - Dan Blumenthal, DOE/NNSA Barcoding and sample types, i.e. what kind of samples and subsamples

Ex. Sample→ Soil→ Sub-sample type→ core

These changes will be updated into RAMS.

Assessment - Terry Kraus, SNL

- Recently updated Assessment manual Vol. 1 (April 2015)
- Added FIL (FRMAC Intervention Level) for non –FDA radionuclides
- User will be able to select any combination of the four main exposure pathways

Turbo FRMAC new tools

- Newly added feature can automatically turn into 1992 PAG manual
- There will be additional training classes coming up for AS100, October-November
- Time frame

Lab Analysis - Art Shanks, SNL

Two main points of discussion during southern Exposure: 1) the exercise was not long enough to go through entire lab process 2) Change of philosophy of how people think about sample collection

- The general thought is to collect samples quickly with not much thought into what is actually needed and what type of analysis needs to be done.
- The consequences of such collection are that the lab fills up with unnecessary samples, collection of large volume samples take too much time to analyze

Questions- Can a field team sample be held for an extended amount of time? Yes, but samples begin to pile up in the lab. More thought needs to be put into sample collection so that field teams are not sent back to the same spot for different types of samples i.e. soil, water, etc...

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Health and Safety - RaJah Mena, DOE/NSTec

- Training: Currently working on establishing training courses and equipment priorities
- Looking at deployment equipment to decide what is mission necessary and if the teams are trained on usage

Liaison - Wendy Chernesky, DOE/NSTec

- LN 50 will be offered in September

Arizona Radiological Emergency Preparedness -Paul Anderson/Toby Morales, FEMA

- See slides

Questions- None

Regional Capstones - Steve Johnson, DOE, RAP 2 and Diane Clark, DOE/RAP 8

Diane Clark, Regional response coordinator for region 8

- March 2015- CM capstone was held with multi-state participation including Washington, Idaho and Hawaii. Additional participation from Hawaiian civil support and National Guard was helpful.
- This exercise was a simulation of radioactive material being released into the environment, with a main focus of having the various responders integrate with the state. The main priority from a local perspective was to support the state of Washington.
- It would have been valuable to extend the exercise from one to two days. This would have allowed the state representatives to engage more with FRMAC.

Questions/Comments

Christopher Royce- Would like to see all exercises be extended in length

Vibrant Response - Steve Johnson, DOE/RAP 2

- An IMD release in Kansas City
- Purpose of this exercise was to evaluate emergency response plans
- FEMA and Army North participation, 24-7 operation
- Focused mainly on operation communication and coordination
- Hot wash: Exercise was thrown off course due to the fact that Missouri had a HAB(Hostile action based) nuclear power plant exercise that had been scheduled in advance
- This resulted in some players having to drop out of day 2, and only participate in days 1, 3, and 4.
- There could have been better planning and coordination on the state's behalf to avoid conflict with previously scheduled large exercises
- It was difficult for the state to participate in both exercises and maintain battle rhythm necessary for a successful mission

Questions/Comments

None

Highlights of NUWAIX - Diane Clark, DOE/RAP 8

- Participation from Navy region North West in Washington, Puget Sound
- Nuclear weapon exercise, simulated explosion on base, May 2015
- RAP was deployed from Bangor sub-base; it takes 4-6 hours to get on site
- RAP developed a smoke plot using defense connect online app, and made a 10 point plan
- RAP was able to get preliminary data from sources other than FRMAC
- FRMAC arrived on site on the evening of day one
- Need to work on refining and determining impact on the public

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Transportation/Security tabletop - Steve Johnson, DOE/RAP 2

- This was the first exercise done of this type
- included 140 players overall, and 28 for the tabletop
- Simulated a category 1 or category 2 isotope in transit
- Public Affairs preparation

Questions/Comments

None

Joint Field Exercise - Christina Edwards, DOE/RAP 3

- Started as a NIRT (National Incident Response Team), response within DOE, activities funded for interoperability
- 3 day event, Tuesday through Thursday
- Focus shifted to integrate field teams in the DOE system, including; RAP, DHAC, and CST using RAD Responder

Questions/Comments

None

Lab Analysis - Mark Allen, SNL

- See slides
- Discussion on mobile and off site lab participation
- Need to train additional personnel
- Sent samples to an off sit lab to test FRMAC web portal, communication and information transfer between the lab and FRMAC
- Showed a video
- Would like to see additional training for troubleshooting the FMRAC portal

EPA mobile/fixed labs - Christopher Royce, EPA

- Discussion of delivery of mobile laboratories and getting fixed lab more involved

Questions/Comments

None

Southern Exposure - Dan Blumenthal, DOE/NNSA

- Currently working on interagency after action report
- SE was a piloted concept, Incident Command Post

Steve Woods, California (Evaluator)

- Overall excellent exercise

Dan Blumenthal: Does not want to wait too long for another FRMAC exercise

Questions/Comments

None

Wings 2015 - Ashley Dailey, DOE/NSTec

- Held in Sumter, South Carolina (see slides)
- 15+ agencies involved
- 10 aircraft flown
- Savannah River/RAP 3 did sources for flights
- The final data is on its way back
- In addition to the wings mission, 10 missions were flown for Southern Exposure
- MARS training was available (aerial training for locals to better understand equipment being used)

Questions/Comments None

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CRCPD Emergency - Rae Walker, Texas Department of Health

- Will be held May 2-5, 2016
- Call for abstracts came out earlier this month, deadline October 1st
- Topics need to stay within radiological emergency preparedness (anything RAP)
- Registration fee will be waived if staying at the Embassy Hotel where the conference is held

CRCPD - Pat Mulligan, CRCPD

- Projects: closing of mobile EPA in Vegas causing concern
- Would like to start working with EPA on identifying lab capabilities
- Practice for state using labs during emergency response
- Working with Chainbridge on RAD Responder
- 8 states involved in pilot program to move state lab data to Rad Responder

Rad Responder - Brendan Palmer, NARAC

- Worked with South Carolina and Environmental Control to collect data
- After action report currently being generated
- Developing guided tour within Rad Responder and neutron data capture
- Wants to engage the Rad Responder community and produce videos on data collection,
- Rad Responder ready program

Questions/Comments

(Wendy Chernesky) Would like to be able to receive data more quickly and have the focus of data collection be on quality rather than quantity. Will be available to assist Brendan in answering any data questions.

State Advisory Team - Mike Noska, Advisory Team/ FDA

- Contemplating moving meeting to fall of this year, proposing a November timeline for the annual meeting

Steve Woods, California

- LN quarterly discussion webinar
- Looking for states to participate

Alvin Morris, FRMAC Program Director: Communicating is important for IPX planning

Next call scheduled for January 27th 2016

End of Call.