

FRMAC Semi-Annual Teleconference July 2023

Radiological Assistance Program
Regional Updates





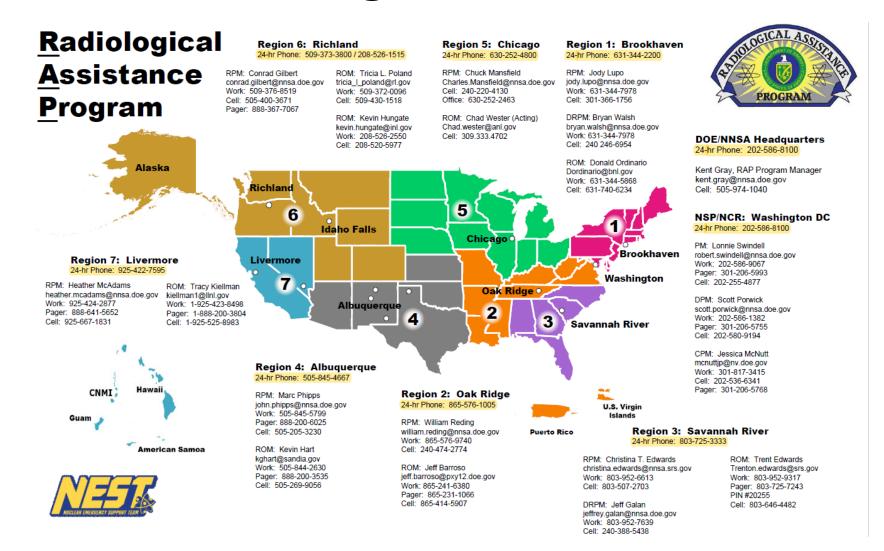
Overall Comments

- Reach out to your local RAP Regions and schedule periodic meetings
- Schedule TTXs annually to get to know your States and Regional procedures
- DOE support is always FREE, and doesn't result in a bill to the requesting office
- Call us we exist to support State and Local agencies faced with rad/nuke responses





RAP Regions/Contacts



DOE/NNSA Radiological Response

- A number of DOE/NNSA federal and contractor personnel were potentially exposed to lodine 125 (I-125) during an overseas activity.
- These personnel came from multiple DOE/NNSA sites and Headquarters.
- RAP was asked to survey the personal effects of the individuals at their locations to characterize any contamination.
- Any contaminated personal effects were disposed of at the individual's respective laboratory sites.
- RAP teams coordinated with relevant state rad health organizations.

Lessons learned:

- Highlighted the importance of...
 - Having standards in procedures, equipment and training to collect the data among multiple RAP regions
 - Ensuring appropriate equipment available for the energy range of the isotope
 - Having preapproved disposition pathways
 - Ensuring Site procedures for notifying RAP are current

Surveying Personal Effects





(RAP Region 1)

Operational Deployments / Request for Assistance

- New York City (Upcoming deployments)
 - United Nations General Assembly
 - Macy's Thanksgiving day Parade
 - Christmas Tree Lighting
 - New Years Eve, Times Square
- Boston, MA
 - Boston Marathon
 - Boston STC, PIG discovered in a Thrift store donation

Outreach

- Bettis, Naval Nuclear Laboratory
- NY IPX Planning
- Trained National Guard Civil Support Teams in CT, MD, NY
- TSA VIPR Newark, NJ





- Mardi Gras 2023 and Kentucky Derby 2023
 - RAP 2 provided support for the 2023 Mardi Gras and KY Derby
 - Provide PRND support to ensure public safety
 - Successfully partnered with FBI, DHS, NOPD/FD
- Conducted several TTXs supporting VA, LA, WV and PR
- Lessons learned:
 - Excellent opportunity to engage with local, state, and federal partners
 - Great teamwork at all levels
 - Continuously improving support and cooperation/collaboration with Partners





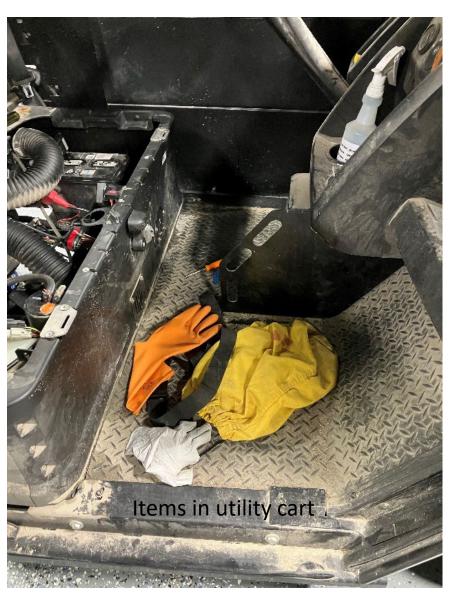
- Ingestion Pathway Exercise (IPX) Support
 - VC Summer Nuclear Station IPX
 - Supported federal outreach for the IPX.
 - Supported with Field Monitoring Teams for rehearsals and Federal Team Leader and Team Captains for IPX.
 - Coordinated with the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
- Blue Star Rental Deployment, North Augusta, SC
 - Utility cart used at the DOE's Savannah River Site was returned to a rental company with radiological protective shoe covers and gloves in the cab.
 - RAP 3 was requested to assist surveys were performed on the utility cart, shoe covers and gloves, tools, personnel who had transported and began work on the cart, and the trailer used to transport the cart.
 - No presence of radiological contamination was detected.
 - Coordinated with South Carolina Department of Health Environmental Control.

(888) 798-RENT Utility cart



REGION 3

Blue Star Rental Deployment



- Region 4
- Major exercise support to Dallas FBI Field office
- DHS Secure the Cities support
- FBI Level 3 Regional Render Safe support
- Training support to CST/Dallas Fire department
- New RAP building and equipment depot
- Lessons learned:
 - MC23 was first major use of all volunteer team to plan and execute the exercise and was a success
 - Team needs recurring hazardous devices training
 - Integration with regional CSTs, STC, and MDDP improving









- Region 5
- RAP 5 assisted the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) with training the Chicago Fire Department maritime unit on small vessel RND operations.
- CFD trained with PRDs, low resolution RIIDS, and backpack units to search for radioactive material while patrolling the Lake Michigan lake front and Chicago River in their dedicated fire boats.
- Region 5 welcomes Chad Wester (<u>chad.wester@anl.gov</u>) as the new Regional Training and Outreach Coordinator.





- RAP 6 requested to assist the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA),
 Spokane Tribe.
- 17 May 2023, Wellpinit, WA
- During a safety site assessment by the BIA's safety manager found elevated levels of radiation in several locations
 - Surveys were done using a uncalibrated BGS-1 Scintillometer
- The site is located 6 miles south of a super fund site (Midnight Uranium Mine).
- Outcome: RAP 6 found a Moisture Density Gauge in one of the suspected locations.





Region 6







Second floor mezzanine, **Density Gauge**

- Region 7
- Provided radiation training to:
 - Hawaii PD, FBI, CST, CERFP
 - Guam CST
 - Alameda County Haz Mat Teams
 - FBI Level 3 Stabilization Teams
- Participated in a rad response TTX with FBI and NV/Reno state and local agencies
- Lessons learned:
 - Face-time and the collaborative effort of key response agencies is vital to the efficient integration and successful execution of emergency response operations.



