



CBRNE/Training and Exercise Working Group

**November 21, 2013
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM**

**MEETING LOCATION: Alameda County Sheriff OES
4985 Broder Rd. Dublin, CA – OES Room #1013**

CONFERENCE CALL AVAILABLE

Conference Call Line B:
Call In Number: 866-249-5279
Participant Code: 428336

MEETING MINUTES

I. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS:

Dennis Houghtelling, T&E Project Manager asked each meeting participant to introduce his or herself. Conference call attendees: **Brett Blaser, Bertha Simpson, Chris Riley, Cathy Eide, Rick Kovar, and Bruce Martin.**

II. REGIONAL TRAINING & EXERCISE PROGRAM

Dennis Houghtelling introduced David Miranker from Landauer. Mr. Miranker presented information on the Landauer OSL Technology/RadWatch-RadLight Program. Mr. Miranker exhibited how public safety agencies could benefit from a Portable Radiation Detection Device. Mr. Miranker entertained questions from the meeting participants.

A. VETTING MAKE-UP:

Dennis Houghtelling reported that all courses submitted through the vetting process were approved. Commander Houghtelling noted that most courses were previously approved through the vetting process. He noted that the list is on the website and a few courses that are in question with respect to whether they go to the Hub are being reviewed.

Bryan Woo presented information on a need for a nighttime SWAT course (Maritime Interdiction). Currently there are daytime courses; however, there is a need for a nighttime course which utilizes night vision and infrared capabilities. The course will enhance capabilities for teams conducting both day and night operations, which require breaching and torching. Dennis Houghtelling noted that course is already on the approved list and the information presented was to express



the need to train at night. Mr. Woo also presented a course offering for Assault IED. The course will enhance capabilities for daytime and nighttime operations and various environments that are not encountered such as commercial business, buses, malls, and boats. The course trains officers to easily recognize risk versus gain, with respect to rescuing hostages, etc. Dennis Houghtelling noted that the course has been vetted and approved.

B. LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING:

Dennis Houghtelling noted that the proposal site is always open except when the vetting process is active. If there is an urgent course, it can be submitted any time. Also, only *exercises* over \$50K require hub approval.

Matthew Fellows will upload the courses this week.

Larry Plummer reported once a course is vetted it remains in the queue, and depending on your needs, UASI workload, and funding, the appropriate planner will setup the class, dates will be established with the vendor, and the location. The course is unpublished on the website for 30 days so that the hosting agency can secure seats for their staff and then it is opened to the region.

Dennis Houghtelling reported that EHP courses which require soil disturbance/digging a trench can require a year to approve, so please submit training requests as soon as possible.

C. MARITIME TRAINING UPDATE:

Brian Ballard reported the last in a series of operator courses for the calendar year have been completed. Planning for course offerings next year is beginning.

D. EOD TRAINING UPDATE:

Brian Ballard reported the two-week EOD SWAT Integration course was completed on, November 15, 2013. The EOD Threat Assessment course concludes on November 22, 2013.

E. FIRE:

Bob Schumacher reported most of the scheduled fire courses for this year are completed. There are a few requests being submitted, but he is relying on our two principle fire training vendors for identifying agency needs, so if your agency has requests please submit them. Bob noted that the fund allocation is different this year and there is more competition for courses, so please submit your requests as soon as possible.



F. CONSORTIUM TRAINING UPDATE:

Eric Shanks reported the Motorola online communications course concludes today. LSU will hold a Biological Incidents Awareness course. Eric Shanks reported that the social network course offering has some logistical issues, so please come to him with any questions.

G. FY14 UASI GRANT CYCLE UPDATE:

Jeff Blau reported that he is in the process of reviewing proposals, verifying pdf. submissions uploaded to the online system, preparing sheets for the OAs, and starting to prepare for the Hub meetings in 2014. Jeff noted that below-the-line projects must be resubmitted to the Approval Authority member to request that the General Manager reconsider the project. Jeff noted if a project has not been submitted; please submit them as UASI wants to fund good proposals. He noted this process is more for oversights and extenuating circumstances and is outside of the normal process.

III. CBRNE ISSUES:

Jeff Blau reported the need to determine which projects need to have funding reallocated. The task must be completed by December 30, 2013. Mr. Blau cautioned that we do not want to return any funds to Federal Government.

IV. ADJOURNMENT: Next Scheduled Meeting December 19, 2013 @ 10:00 AM