

CERT Auxiliary Working Group Meeting Summary – September 13, 2017

Item	Lead	Action	Notes
Welcome	Mary		<p><b>Present:</b>                      Liz Taylor-Selling, Felton, Team Leader; Auxiliary, Board Member                      Bill Monroe, Team Boulder Creek                      John Lippman, Santa Cruz; Auxiliary, Board Member                      Joyce Smith, Team Santa Cruz                      Mary Edmund, Aptos, Seacliff, Team Leader; Auxiliary Treasurer, Executive Director                      Rosemary Anderson, Emergency Services Manager, Santa Cruz County                      Catherine Green, CERT member, Instructor,                      Ken Braly, Auxiliary Webmaster                      Sophie Grant, Team Leader Watsonville                      Greig Rose, Aptos, Team Seacliff, Auxiliary, Board Member</p> <p><b>Absent:</b>                      George Wright, Leader Team Aptos Knoll                      Kevin Foster, Boulder Creek, Team Leader                      LizAnne Jensen, Team Bonny Doon; Auxiliary, Board Member                      Hank Moeller, Bonny Doon, Team Leader                      Diana Hayden, Team Seacliff                      Jamshid Kiani, American Red Cross                      Todd Skrabak, Aptos, Branch Manager                      Ed Olson, Team Bonny Doon                      Paul Horvat, Emergency Services Manager, City of Santa Cruz                      Jim Nelsen, Team Leader Team Scotts Valley                      JoAnn McDonnell, LaSelva, Team Leader; Auxiliary, Secretary, Registrar                      Mike Demars, Central Fire                      Ed Banks, Watsonville, Team Leader                      Dick Lovelace, Paradise Park, Team Leader</p>
Updates	Rosemary	New	<p>Addressed the group and provided updates on the Bear Fire in the Boulder Creek area and requested assistance answering CalFire phones in Felton. Announced activation of 3 CERT squads in Boulder Creek providing traffic management for 5 days.                      Additionally, thanked CERTs for their participation in Hepatitis outreach and supporting the vaccination clinics</p>

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Basic	Mary	New	Watsonville – graduated 23 students Aptos – started Oct 17 <sup>th</sup> – 24 enrolled with 8 prospective make-ups from the Watsonville class Santa Cruz -- starts November 9 <sup>th</sup>
Teen			Four CERTs will be attending the Teen CERT training in Monterey to receive credentials to teach Teen CERT.
Adv Training	Mary		A suggestion was made for instructors to teach or assist at a minimum of 4 classes per year. <b>ACTION:</b> Guidelines for your review (attached). To be finalized at November meeting.  The next Advanced Training is Disaster Psychology – film with emphasis on children and frail elders with group discussion following with a professional therapist. Popcorn promised! Aptos – December 5 (7-8:30pm) Felton – December 6 (7-8:30pm)  <i>CERT recertification and DSW Badge renewal prior to the advanced trainings from 6:30-7pm on Dec 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup></i>  Beginning to work on monthly advanced training for next year. Please email <a href="mailto:medmund6@gmail.com">medmund6@gmail.com</a> with suggestions for possible topics and those willing to make presentations.
Website/Database	Ken	No change  Instructors	There is an instructor page on website. May access by clicking on CERT Training and following the dropdown menu. Will be used for instructor sign-ups for teaching classes, review of CERT Basic Training modules, posting the most up to date CERT Basic Training units, and a forum for instructors.  <b><i>Instructors are still needed for the last class in Aptos. Please sign up on website.</i></b>
Core Curriculum for Basic Training	Greig	Working	Instructors are teaching with many different sets of slides, some to FEMA standard with some outdated information and additional topics. Establishing a core curriculum assures all students receive the same basic information and standardization lends credibility. <b>ACTION:</b> <i>Currently, Unit 1, 2, 5, 8, 9 units are posted for instructor review with comments to Greig at <a href="mailto:greigrose@earthlink.net">greigrose@earthlink.net</a>.</i> This process will be repeated annually to allow for discovery and changing local information. Once reviewed they become golden master slides until the next year’s review at the end of the last CERT Basic Training.
CERT Council	All	No change	The WG discussed the responsibility and expectations for Branch Managers and Team Leaders. Possible areas where CERT, if trained, may help Fire Branches are: windshield surveys, downed wires, traffic management, damage assessment, scribes at operation centers, debris removal, sandbagging, and grid searches. Branch Managers responsibilities may be reviewed at next CERT Council Meeting.

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PIB	All	Info	CERT Auxiliary Public Information Box (PIB) and post-up awnings are available with necessary flyers, handouts, and promotional items for tabling, etc. South County contact Mary Edmund at <a href="mailto:medmund4@gmail.com">medmund4@gmail.com</a> or North County contact Liz Taylor Selling at <a href="mailto:madwoman@cruzio.com">madwoman@cruzio.com</a>
Code of Conduct	LizAnne	Delay	The draft Code of Conduct was created based on review of other CERT Programs throughout State. Draft document held in abeyance until mobilization plan is completed.
Team Leader Meeting	All	Working	Team Leader (TL) is scheduled for Saturday, November 4 <sup>th</sup> from 10-2pm. Experienced TLs may help new TLs or those interested in being TL to get established, share ideas and resources. Rosemary also offers a tour following the meeting. Paul Garcia from County Information Services will help attendees with maps of Team areas.
Medical Reserve Corps	Greig	Delay	Medical Reserve Corps is being reactivated. The Corps consists of all health professionals and support personnel. A supervisor is being hired to assist the process. Of particular concern is setting up triage, transportation of injured, and pooling local expertise.
Important Dates <i>Sign-up on Website</i>			<p><b>October 28, Saturday (8:45-12:00)</b> Formidable Footprints, Flood, Mountain Community Resources 6134 Hwy 9, Felton (across from the Rite Aid) To sign up <a href="mailto:icebear@cruzio.com">icebear@cruzio.com</a></p> <p><b>Nov 4, Saturday (10-2pm)</b> Team Leader Meeting, EOC</p> <p><b>Nov 9, Thursday (6-10)</b> Santa Cruz CERT Basic Training start date</p> <p><b>Nov 20, Monday (6pm)</b> CHP Presentation on Traffic Management, McDermott Fire Station, Bonny Doon All CERTs are invited to attend. Presentation will also be given in Aptos next year.</p> <p><b>Nov 21, Tuesday</b> Sandbagging (morning presentations, afternoon practicing) Watsonville, (Location TBD) To sign-up <a href="mailto:janet.wohlgemuth@ccc.ca.gov">janet.wohlgemuth@ccc.ca.gov</a> She will contact you in November.</p>

**Next Meeting:** *Second Wednesday -- November 8<sup>th</sup>*  
*(8:30-10 AM) Aptos/La Selva Firehouse 6934 Soquel Dr, Aptos*