

CERT Auxiliary Working Group

Summary

Saturday, May 13, 2023

In attendance: John Collins, Joyce Smith, Dawn Mackey, Sharon Spence, Doreen O'Donovan, Ken Braly, Catherine L. Green, Chis Jong, Susan Marx, Bill Monroe, JoMarie Faulkerson, Bob Fike, and Mary Edmund

- Welcome & Announcements
 - MURS radio V1 discontinued –primarily used for CERT Teams, V2 compatible with V1 but offers ability to program other radio reception i.e., fire, law, weather
 - Appreciate past work as Communication Coordinator by Liz Taylor-Selling now Bob Fike will serve as CERT Communication Manager -- make CERT radioactive – tying all elements together – CERT ham, MURS, Team Leaders, neighborhood communication nets – increase training with certificates for classes
 - Received 2 grants - \$10,000 from Monterey Peninsula Foundation \$2,000 from Omega Nu of Santa Cruz
- New issues
 - Survey 123
Neighborhood surveillance application for CERT use to report issues to Emergency Services and Fire/Law – in beta test
 - Contract with OR3
Signed contract with OR3 for \$4,000 Emergency Management Performance Grant from May 2023-2024.
- Reports/Ongoing Discussion
 - Team Leader Meeting – Liz Taylor-Selling – not in attendance
 - Mapping -- Dawn Mackey – defining issue working with Paul Garcia, County GIS
 - SOP/Activation Guide/1 pager for activating agencies --Minor comments for inclusion – IS100/200 language – clearer listing of PPE – spacing – discussion on role of CERT Liaison
 - Traffic Course -- Planning meeting May 16, 1pm to layout curriculum and set date – include school crossing guard scenario
 - Wharf to Wharf -- no CERT participation
 - All-County Exercise – August --form committee for exercise -- John Collins and Catherine L. Green agreed to help but no volunteer for lead of planning group
- Staff Round Table
 - Planning- John Collins/Dawn Mackey
 - Communication Exercise – Dawn Mackey
Successful exercise with 140 participants,
 - Advanced Training Modules (ATM) – John Collins
Continue to develop – working on how modules will be integrated in to Training Program – incentives to encourage participation
 - Training - Joyce Smith
 - Last Basic Course May 17 to June 11 – instructor meeting on Sunday

Operations – Bill Monroe

--Active Shooter –July 10-15, work in coordination with Ares – similar to last year -- at SLV school campus – 4-5 posts – planning to have info on Signup Genius NLT 4 weeks prior to event

Logistics – Don Dickerson/JoMarie Faulkerson – nothing to report

Safety- John Hanley – not in attendance

Liaison – Cindy Delgado – not in attendance

PIO -Traci Takeuchi – not in attendance

Webmaster – Ken Braly

--Doing research on possible programs for tracking volunteer training

▪ Team Leader Reports

Team Boulder Creek – Bill Monroe

--Combined drill with Communication Exercise in April – 12 participants
Practice MURS use

Team Bonny Doon – reporting Dawn Mackey

--Drill on Monday –will go over windshield survey, results from com exercise

Team Scotts Valley and Branciforte – John Collins

--Possibility of merging with Felton Area CERT

Team Aptos – Doreen O’Donovan

--Had quarterly meeting, worked with Disasterville Game, good practice for Working on issues with activation and CERT role

--Doreen is the keeper of the Disasterville Game please contact her for use with Teams: aptoslaselvacert@gmail.com

Team La Selva Beach -- Susan Marx

--May 16, 7PM presentation “Communication Lifeline –Ham”

Team City of Santa Cruz –Catherine L. Green

--Good participation with Communication Exercise, discovered some gaps, fixing

--Offered thanks for all CERTs who helped with the storms this winter

Next months’ meeting Saturday, June 10 on zoom from 10-noon