
NW Region SCIP Implementation Council

Meeting Minutes
April 13, 2010

Tad welcomed everyone for coming to the first NW Region SCIP Implementation Council meeting at the LCO convention center. After introducing himself he asked everyone to introduce themselves to the group. Tad then introduced Jennifer Lord, OJA Planning Analyst, to speak about radio interoperability.

Jennifer presented a power point presentation on the goals of the State. One of the goals was to demonstrate that 75% of emergency communications responses could be accomplished in 1 hour by 2011. This generated some discussion on how things happen in exercises and real responses. Keith Kesler talked about the need to get everyone on the same page about terminology and the need for counties bordering neighboring States to communicate. Steve Coffin talked about the problems at the Cottonville incident and how radios had to be re-programmed on the fly and the problem with terminology. Tad Matheson talked about the problems with the Superior regional hazmat team keeping up to date with radio frequencies in the different counties. Keith Kesler also mentioned that there has been training but there are still pockets of departments that have not done the training. Mike Richter asked if there was some recommended channels to use during a large event. Jennifer said that there are recommended channels suggested by OJA to use.

Jennifer then talked about state funding and OJA sponsored training. Jennifer said that there will be another radio grant in the fall of 2010. Jennifer gave out some dates on training and she also said that to stay up to date on the training, a good idea was to go to the Interop web site and to also sign up for OJA alerts. Jennifer also gave out some good web sites to check out to help with phone and cell communications: www.gets.ncs.gov; www.wps.ncs.gov; and www.fcc.gov/pshs/emergency/telecom.html.

We broke for lunch at 12:00 and came back at 12:45 to discuss selecting leadership, membership on the council from the counties and also the by-laws for the council. We selected Keith Kesler as the interim Chairman. We thought that it would be better to elect the Chair and Vice Chair at the next meeting. The group also thought the by-laws should be looked over more and voted on at the next meeting. There was discussion about each county having three members and getting all of them there and how that might affect meeting quorums and representation. We had some discussion on sharing information and that the best way was through e-mail and checking the Interoperability web site (www.interop.wi.gov).

The next meeting will be at the LCO Convention Center on May 19th at 10:00 am. Jennifer asked that members dress appropriately for a picture that will be posted on the Wisconsin Interoperability Initiative website.

Members present:

Name	Position/ Title	Agency/Department
Chenier, Wayne	Fire Chief	Ashland Fire Department
Books, Randy	Director	Barron County EM
Victorson, Jan	EM Coordinator	Bayfield County EM
Susienka, Paul	Chief Deputy	Bayfield County Sheriff

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Roland, Dean	Chief	Burnett County Sheriff
Burns, Scott	Deputy Chief	Burnett County Sheriff
Crowson, Ben		DCS Communications
Kesler, Keith	Director	Douglas County EM
Moe, Gerald		Douglas County Sheriff
Hoiby, Jack	Fire Chief	Grand View Department & Mason Ambulance
Ofstad, Stacy	EM Coordinator	Iron County EM
Gouge, Louis		Lac Courte Oreilles Tribal Police
Featherly, Linda		Minong Ambulance
Moen, Monica		Minong EMS
Lord, Jennifer	Planning Analyst	Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance
Poirer, Kathy	EM Director	Polk County Sheriff Department
Moe, Steve	Chief Deputy	Polk County Sheriff Department
Stoffel, Jill	Communication Administrator	Polk County Sheriff Department
Johnson, Dale	1st Assistant Chief	Port Wing Fire Department
Johnson, Nancy	Secretary	Port Wing Fire Department
Kosharek, Brandon	EM Coordinator	Price County EM
Gould, Tim	Chief Deputy	Price County Sheriff Department
Wirsing, Greg	Investigator	Price County Sheriff Department
Schmidt, Michael		Round Lake Fire Dept.
Kaminski, David	Sheriff	Rusk County Sheriff Department
Cody, Brian	EM	Sawyer County EM
Lillyroot, Rose	E911 Coordinator	Sawyer County Sheriff
Kornbroke, Brigitte	Chief Deputy	Sawyer County Sheriff
Koehn, Frank	NREMT-B / Fire Fighter	South Shore Area Amb./Herbster Vol. Fire Dept.
Rigstad, Jim	Fire Chief	Superior Fire Department
Buck, Carol	Director	Washburn County EM
Vick, Darren	Fire Chief	Washburn County Fire Assn
Richter, Mike	Chief Deputy	Washburn County Sheriff
Reynolds, Rhonda	Regional Director	WEM
Coffin, Steve	Forestry Team Leader	WI DNR
Matheson, Tad	Coordinator	NW Regional SCIP Council