

# **2013 Mob Plan Review Committee**

**Bend Fire Training Center**

**6377 NE Jamison**

**Bend, OR 97701**

**8 November 2012**

**1000 - 1130**

## **Minutes**

### **Present:**

Douglas Baily, Corvallis Fire  
Doug Koellermeier, Bend Fire  
Les Hallman, Newberg Fire  
Jack Carriger, Stayton Fire  
Mariah Rawlins, OSFM  
Alan McMahan, OSFM  
Dustin Morrow, Tualatin Valley Fire & Rescue  
Jim Walker, OSFM  
Jerry Hampton, Haines Fire  
Mariana Ruiz-Temple, OSFM  
Greg Davis, OSFM

### **Not Present:**

Tina Toney, OSFM  
Lang Johnson, Grants Pass Fire

Introductions were made.

Minutes from October were approved.

### **Washington Rate Survey:**

Douglas distributed a survey created by the Washington State Fire Service outlining reimbursement rates. Mariah has been working to update the spreadsheet and shared some information about Idaho. Some of the information the group would like includes staffing configurations; whether rates are related to positions; whether rates are paid by operational period or by the day; whether mutual aid resources on-scene are reimbursed; minimum qualifications for positions; whether admin fees are charged. The group agreed to look into Washington, Idaho, Nevada, California, and Utah and to include a tab for each state in the new spreadsheet. The idea is to validate Oregon's rates by comparison.

### **Volunteer Compensation:**

The group discussed some of the issues behind volunteer compensation. One of the issues is that all volunteers are paid the same rate regardless of the position held during the conflagration; there is no monetary incentive to serve in a higher position.

The group discussed examining what our neighboring states are doing and see how that model fits for Oregon. Quick calculations at the table showed very little financial impact in moving to position-based pay rates similar to Washington's.

**Communication:**

Mariana will update OFCA tomorrow during the conference. The group agreed that they would like to send a quarterly update to the chiefs before the next meeting. Douglas mentioned that he would like to see something via Twitter and Facebook. We also discussed having the link to the committee site more accessible. Mariana plans to include communication in the Gated Wye.

The group discussed the Fire Defense Board Meeting date and location. Mariana would like to present Mob Plan 101. Douglas suggested that the alternates be included.

**Conflagration Request Packet:**

The group sees some issues with the Conflagration Request Form. Mariana will take the issues to the working group responsible for it. Some terms may need to be added to the glossary, including 'subdivision.'

**Support Services:**

Mariah reported that there is no documentation of where the \$255.36 came from, nor is there documentation of how HazMat decided to charge an 8% admin fee. The group agreed that the term 'support services' should be retitled to 'administrative costs.'

The group agreed to look at the FEMA /DHS rate which the group believes to be 18%; this applies to grants as well as reimbursements. Since this is easy to point to as an existing rate it should be easy to adopt.

**Other Business:**

Mariana has begun work with Emergency Management and the fire service in Oregon and Washington to establish an inter-state mutual aid plan. Mariana stressed the fact that the Conflagration Act requires portal-to-portal reimbursement, but sending resources to Washington might not.

**Before the Next Meeting:**

OSFM will work on finding information related to rates in neighboring states.

A quarterly update will be submitted.

Work will be done on the Conflagration Request Packet.

Next meeting: in Baker City. Date and time TBD.