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TFL Working Group Meeting

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Review of new SAR typing documents – updated typing for swiftwater rescue. This is national typing/Tier I. If FL modifies national document it will be a tier II. If we modify will need to do a gap analysis to determine if it works for Florida. Current mission ready package is for defensive rescue and floodwater. Federal typing attaches this to a Type I which is not feasible for Florida.

If a state team gets a request, team needs to identify the logistical needs so it can be filled. EMAC requests need to consider having own logistics set and a TFL.

National typing documents can be found at <http://rtlt.preptoolkit.fema.gov/>

2017 response – combined efforts with 2 TFL's (3 and 4 to Texas) and need to add planning package. Is it more beneficial to combine 2 teams with MRP or send a full TF? TF 8 left with planning and logistics for Keys after Hurricane Irma. Covered 27 miles on ground and searched 1100 structures. Knew going in would be no support so brought it. So teams need to be aware they need to be 72 hours self-sufficient. Do need from state level to make sure there is a way to get out of area if inserting via aircraft. State level needs to be able to request from state logistics items needed. There is lots of logistical needs able to be met at state logistics.

Recommendation to send initial operations from current Con – op then send in MRPs. MRP's provide advantage for initial costs, know what is needed, and more agile. Email will be sent to Program managers to build MRPs for state.

EMAC Requisition A – need to prepare the requisition A's for EMAC deployments in advance of storms. Create cost estimate based on most expensive person to deploy. Must identify all costs in advance and not assume team will eat costs. Documentation is key to reimbursement so ensure all information is filled in and completed.

SUSAR Update – new membership process. Working with EMAC at national level and Requisition A. Working with the national standard, working with National Guard to develop proper verbiage for military MRP. Conference in New Orleans November 14.

FEMA Update – MRP being discussed heavily, instructor updates, reviewing PPE for rescue. NFPA up for revision. IST functions and training being conducted. Haz Mat update and training.

SHSGP Update – Have been able to provide support for back fill and overtime for training justification. Able to educate law enforcement that US&R teams are assets that belong to the state and not strictly a local asset.