



Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical
Advisory Panel
Tallahassee, FL/Conference Call
May 2, 2011

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT:

NAME

Greg Gay
Bill Gulbrandsen
Bill Klein, Brevard Community College
Bill Lombardo, South Trail Fire
Daniel McAvoy, Osceola County F/R
Steve McCoy, Bureau of EMS
Rand Napoli
Ron Parrish, St. Lucie County Fire District
Jon Pasqualone, FL Fire Marshals & Inspectors Assoc.
Gene Prince, City of Gainesville F/R
Lew Simon
Daniel Stanley, Forestry

REPRESENTING:

State Fire Marshal
Florida Assoc. of Counties
State Fire Marshal
FL Assoc. Special Districts
State Fire Marshal
Bureau of EMS
Florida League of Cities
FL Fire Chiefs' Association
FL Fire Marshals & Inspectors Assoc.
FL Fire Chiefs' Association
State Fire Marshal
Division of Forestry

ABSENT:

Joe Palminteri, Citrus County Fire Rescue
Rick Spence, Reedy Creek F.D.
Laurie Sweeney, Orange County Fire-Rescue Dept.

State Fire Marshal
FL Professional Firefighters
FL Professional Firefighters

The Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m.

On a motion duly made, the minutes from the Fire and Emergency Incident Information System Technical Advisory Panel held on January 20, 2011 were approved.

Motion carried.

REPORT FROM DIVISION: *Given by Director Julius Halas*

Director Halas welcomed the new members to the Panel and congratulated Bill Gulbrandsen on his retirement. Mr. Gulbrandsen will remain on the Panel representing the Association of Counties.

Director Halas announced the retirement of John Corbett from his position of Assistant Director with the State Fire Marshals' Office.

In a letter from CFO Jeff Atwater, he stated that with this being Public Service Recognition week, he wanted to recognize the outstanding team of public servants at the Department of Financial Services. Together with a solid team of committed individuals many key issues have been tackled in a relatively short time and he is excited to see what can be accomplished in the future.

REPORT FROM FFIRS: *Given by Keith McCarthy*

Hand out provided and attached.

Deadlines for reporting 2010 data:

FFIRS – April 20, 2011

USFA – June 30, 2011

Completed Training

Scotts Ferry VFD

Wewahitchka VFD

Miramar Fire Rescue

Wakulla County Fire Rescue

Upcoming Training

Regional Training at FSFC – Pending

Bradford County – Pending

NFIRS training at the National Fire Academy – “NFIRS Program Manager Course” (R491) is full.

As mentioned in the last meeting, Keith McCarthy (FFIRS) and Steve McCoy (EMS) together provided combined training. This training was extremely productive. A lot of

positive feedback was received. Steve and Keith hope to be able to provide more of this combined training in the future.

Year-to-date, a total of 92.5% of fire departments are participating in the FFIRS program.

There was an increase in reported incidents this year.

Departments are being encouraged not to wait until the end of the year to report as this affects the accuracy of the data.

Four years ago when this Panel was formed, reporting was at approximately 70%. We are currently at 92.5% reporting.

Daniel Stanley from the Division of Forestry asked if the data from their Division would be helpful.

Keith McCarthy stated that although the Division of Forestry has a “page” in the Annual Report listing their wildfire data, the data is not presently included in the database other than in a mutual aid format.

Keith and Daniel will meet separately to see if this can be changed.

Chief Baker stated that the purpose of the FDID number is to report data and suggested that if a department does not report data in a given year, they be issued a warning. If they fail to report the following year, their FDID number will be revoked. This would eliminate their opportunity to receive federal fire grant money. A penalty and warning associated with not reporting will be a great incentive.

Director Halas will research this option through Legal to determine if by Statute and Rule it would be permitted. An update will be provided at the next meeting.

REPORT FROM EMS: *Given by Steve McCoy*

As mentioned by Keith McCarthy, Steve also reported that the joint training was extremely successful.

EMSTARS:

Currently Florida is one of the largest reporting states. The only state larger than Florida is North Carolina. North Carolina was the pilot state and have been entering data for five years which is a 3 or 4 year jump on Florida.

Every year, Florida runs approximately 3.1 – 3.2 million EMS calls. The Bureau just released its 2010 report which is called the “2010 EMS Provider Licensure and Call Volume Report”

This report is available on the Bureau's web site and is full of information concerning, organizational types, regions, transport vs. non-transport services etc.

Legislation:

HB 115 – Creation of Health and Human Services – no movement.

HB 589 – Non transport services – no movement.

SB 890 - The Bureau of Emergency Medical services regulates the certification of 911 dispatchers (911 Public Safety Telecommunicator). SB 890 – would allow law enforcement officers to temporarily act as 911 dispatchers – no movement.

SB 909 – House Bill –Emergency Medical Services Education – this bill would eliminate the 2 hour HIV/AIDS requirement for EMT and Paramedics for renewal.

This bill would also include making the Bureau's Strategic Plan from a two year to five year plan. The foundation of this bill is based on the change in the 1998 National Standard Curriculum for the new educational standard. This will update from 1998 to 2011.

HB 393 – Regulation of Professions – this bill would open up the PRN program for people with addictions. When they file for licensure they can then go into this program. This bill will open the program up to EMT and Paramedics however, this may cause some conflict between Chapter 456 and Chapter 401 because of a “definition” issue between “Health Care Provider” and “EMT/Paramedic” under Chapter 456. There has been no movement on this bill.

Grants: Closed. Almost three million dollars will be going back out to the services. Notice of awards will go out mid to the end of May.

Inspections: There are 76 inspections left to be completed. Year-to-date there have been approximately 43 announced inspections and 16 un-announced showing about a 91% compliance rate. The main issues being noted on EMS and engines are pediatric equipment.

Education: There are approximately 170 EMT/Paramedic programs being run throughout the state. There are over 500 continuing education programs available.

911 Dispatchers/Public Safety Telecommunicators: Approximately 3,500 are now certified. There are 30 approved training centers that currently provide the required training. The deadline for certification is October 1, 2012.

Due to cutbacks, the EMS Advisory Council meeting normally held in July will not take place.

As of July, the new Chairman for the EMS Advisory Council will be Battalion Chief Corey Victor from Indian River.

State EMS awards are in July. Hialeah Fire Department was voted EMS service provider of the year.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

AUDIENCE: None

NEXT MEETING: Saturday, July 23, 2011 at 8:30 a.m.
Marco Island Marriott Beach Resort

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Florida Fire Incident Reporting System Section (FFIRS)



**FIRE & EMERGENCY INCIDENT
INFORMATION SYSTEM TECHNICAL
ADVISORY PANEL MEETING**

May 02, 2011



**FFIRS Report
Keith McCarthy**

2011 FFIRS

*Deadline for reporting 2010 data to FFIRS was April 30, 2011; USFA deadline is June 30, 2011.

*FFIRS is in the process of compiling 2010 statistical data for the 2010 Annual Report "Florida Fires".



Training Completed

Feb 8th, Scotts Ferry VFD
Feb 25th Wewahitchka VFD
March 22nd & 23rd Miramar Fire Rescue
April 9th Wakulla County Fire Rescue

2011 Scheduled & Pending Training

Regional Training at FSFC (Dates Pending)
Bradford County (Dates Pending)

**NFIRS Training at the National Fire Academy – NFIRS
Program Manager Course (R491) 6-Day On-Campus**

5/29/11- 6/03/11....Status (Full)

2010 Non-Reporting Fire Departments

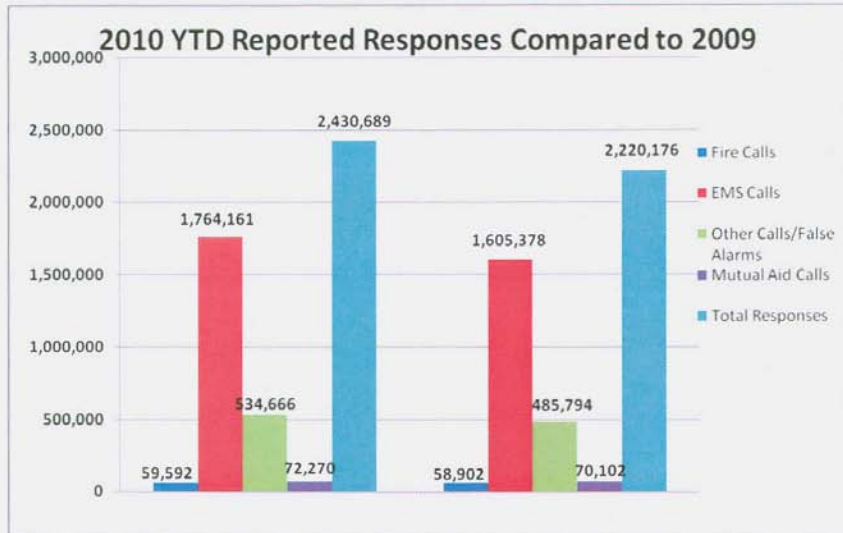
FDID #	Name of Fire Department	FDID #	Name of Fire Department
12071	Montverde Fire Dept	50031	Wausau Vol. Fire Dept
13031	Micosukee Vol. Fire Dept	50041	Caryville Vol. Fire Dept
13061	Lake Talquin Vol. Fire Dept	50051	Five Points Vol Fire Dept
15012	Longboat Key Fire Rescue	51051	Westville Vol. Fire Dept
15091	Duette Fire/Rescue Dept	58021	Althea Vol. Fire Dept
16082	Sarasota-Bradenton Intl Airport	59021	Carrabelle Vol. Fire Dept
25021	Malone Vol. Fire Dept	59031	Alligator Point Vol. Fire Dept
25071	Dellwood Vol. Fire Dept	59051	Eastpoint Vol. Fire Dept
27061	Highlands Park Vol. Fire Dept	59061	St. James-Lanark Vol. Fire Dept
31012	Branford Vol. Fire Dept	59081	Dog Island Vol. Fire Dept
31101	Advent Christian Village Vol. Fire Dept	65011	Crawfordville Vol. Fire Rescue
33031	Berrydale Vol. Fire Dept	65061	Medart Vol. Fire Dept
33131	Harold Vol. Fire Dept	65081	Smith Creek Vol. Fire Rescue
35041	Hamburg Lovett Vol. Fire Dept	65091	Wakulla Vol. Fire Dept
38111	Key West Intl Airport Fire Dept	66011	Highland View Vol. Fire Dept
39032	Gulf Hammock Vol. Fire Dept	66012	Overstreet Vol. Fire Department
40041	Hernando Beach Vol. Fire Dept	66022	Wetappo Creek Vol. Fire Dept
45021	Brooker Vol. Fire Dept	66041	White City Fire Dept
46011	Lloyd Vol. Fire Dept	66071	Howard Creek Vol. Fire Dept
46012	Monticello Vol. Fire Dept	66081	Dalkeith Vol. Fire Dept
46031	Ashville Area Vol. Fire Dept	66521	St Joseph Fire Control Dist
46041	Wacissa Vol. Fire Dept	67021	Sumatra Fire Dept
50011	Vernon Fire Rescue		

*There are 604 existing fire departments and 15 federal organizations.
YTD A total of 559 (92.5%) fire departments are participating in the FFIRS Program.

A total of 45 (7.4%) fire departments have not reported any incident data for 2010. 36 of those departments are volunteer fire departments and 9 are career service fire departments.

***The Gold highlighted departments reported in 2009, but not reporting 2010 (9)

***The Red highlighted departments are non-reporting career fire departments (9)



***The above graph depicts a difference of -210,513 (8.6%) responses YTD.



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