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Dispatch Technical Advisory Council (TAC) Meeting Minutes  
December 22, 2009  
1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.  
Blaine County Public Safety Facility

**Attendees:** Beth English, Robin Stellers, Chris Corwin, Bryan Carpita, Ed Fuller, Mike Elle, Chuck Turner, Bart Lassman, Mike Chapman, Chuck Turner, Gene Ramsey, Walt Femling, Jeff Nevins, Keith Sivertson,

**Absent:** Sun Valley FD, Sun Valley PD, Hailey PD, Ketchum PD, Bellevue FD, Carey FD

### Agenda:

- Beth has been testing the Logisys MobilTrak system and has a test version in use in one of the Sheriff's Deputy's patrol cars. Beth stated that in her testing, she has found that this particular system is not very user friendly. She will continue to test and research Mobile Data Terminal systems. Ed Fuller stated that the current Motorola system will need to be upgraded to meet the State of Idaho's new XML format. Ed also mentioned that Motorola Mobile data has mapping software that can be purchased if there is interest in upgrading that particular product.
- The new fire call codes were discussed and it was decided to add the following fire call codes to the CAD:
  1. FNS (Fire non-structure for cooking fires or chimney flue fires etc.)
  2. FSNF (Fire structure – unconfirmed structure fire - no flames showing. Noted to page out FS (fire structure) if dark smoke is reported)
  3. Elect (Electrical fire reported).
- Beth introduced Chris Corwin, GIS Specialist and stated that beginning January 1<sup>st</sup> 2010, he will become full-time under Communications. Chris discussed many of the GIS capabilities available to the entities. Chris distributed a GIS Needs Analysis questionnaire and asked each of the agencies to fill it out stating what their current resources are and what the needs of their departments are regarding mapping. A wide variety of mapping analysis ideas was also discussed. Walt expressed his interest in receiving data involving accidents along Hwy. 75 on a monthly basis to assist him in submitting his recommendations to ITD regarding the highway expansion. Mike Chapman will submit updated Tier III information to Chris for reportable

hazard information in the County. Mike would also like to see Subdivision hydrants and locations put into the CAD when construction begins at a site.

- Beth discussed the "PC only" term used for dispatching traffic stops. Ed said that if a citizen wants to sign a citation against a driver for a traffic offense, the officer should be made aware of that and if the citizen does not want to sign a citation but wants to report a driving offense occurring, it should be treated similar to a BOLO to the appropriate agency(s).
- New NCIC rules effective summer 2010. Beth will update the users with the new rules as they become available. Her understanding is that one of the new rules will be that no two items identifying a person, such as name and DOB, or name and SOC, can be emailed. This is due to identity theft issues.
- Beth reminded users that every agency who receives any printed CCH information from Communications is required by ILETS to document any secondary dissemination of that document.
- Beth asked that Communications be invited to any agency's AAR's that a dispatcher may be involved in so that Communications can learn from mistakes that were made, and things that were done correctly.
- New guidelines for Public Safety grants have been released. Beth will have Chris begin working on grants for various projects. The fire departments would like to research grants for 700mhz radios. Police would like to research grants for MDTs.
- Beth asked the agencies if they would be interested in a call code for Animal Rescues. All fire agencies in attendance were interested and would want a full page; however they do not want pages for "cats in trees" or injured animals on the highways. They would like it reserved for imminent danger to humans or animals for rescue calls.

#### **Other Issues Not on the Agenda**

- Keith Sivertson would like a continued effort to correct addressing issues within the Carey and Bellevue areas. He asked about the rebidding process regarding backcountry addressing and expressed the importance of making sure that the caller stand still while on the phone so that a Lat/Long coordinate can be obtained by the dispatcher. Beth stated that Chris will be creating a footprint of the cell phone towers to help assist, but understands that it is not always accurate.
- Is it possible to get overlay information from ITD on slides or road hazards?
- The Netclock is now synched to the phones and radio equipment. Keith Sivertson asked for confirmation of where the clocks are synched to and it was later confirmed by Todd Mandeville that they are synched to the GPS satellite system.
- Bart Lassman asked that the dispatchers be reminded that Fire/EMS units do not use 10 codes or slang terms such as "Also" to receive additional information.
- Keith Sivertson would like to see dispatch times for EMS calls to be under a minute 90% of the time.

- Mike Elle requested any time a second call comes in after a ski call has been toned out, the dispatcher state that a volunteer response is needed, since not all volunteers will know the station has been emptied for the first call.
- Potential Avalanche conditions are expected, as there is a very poor snow base. Agencies would like an avalanche warning broadcast the same way a red flag warning is broadcast; meaning a single tone on Gold 1 and Yellow 1 when Communications is notified of a high or extreme avalanche warning.