

Report Date: 7/10/2010 Region # 7 (St. Croix Valley)

Regional Meeting Date: 7/9/2010

Meeting Location: Harris Fire Department

Number of attendees: 35

Special Guests: Fire Marshall Jerry Rosendahl, VFBA Tom Linhoff, HSEM Bruse West, MnScu Dan Roelin

Program: Bruce West HSEM is now on Facebook . Discussion on Threat Levels and how they may change to be more realistic. NIMS will be tied to the Fire Grants in the future, make sure that you are working to be compliant. Decon Trailer Program is being studied. The future of decon programs in general will be discussed and how the trailers fit in. There will be a report presented at the Chiefs' conference in October about the trailers and decon program. There may be dollars to support the trailers but no one knows how much or how it will be disbursed. Members had a lengthy discussion on the trailer and concerns about funding to keep the trailer up to date. Kevin Reed is the contact for any trailers that are being returned. The City that hosts the Trailers should have title to them so that they may be insured. MnScu training is available for Haz Mat training to include Operations and Technician levels. This training should be at the regional level. IEDs are being constructed with pressure cookers, so a warning in case you see something out of place.

Issues of Local Interest: Discussion on funding and who will house the decon trailer or if it is not operational do we get rid of it. Pine Tech Andersen reported Fire Fighter I and II classes will be next fall. St. Cloud is now part of the Pine Tech courses. Driving Simulator is available.

Issues of State/National Interest: Fire Marshall Roesendahl reported Scott Radke is now the point man for online MFIRS reporting. He will assist you in Image Trend training. There are 73% of the Fire Departments now using Image Trend to report. New modules have been added that include Inventory, Inspections, Report Writer and Advanced Reporting. There is an advisory group that will meet July 20th. There have been 249,000 incidents year to date. The Shared Services report will be done and published by October. Watch for the training grants. There is 4.4 million in the account and 2 million has been appropriated for the Fire Service. Becky White is the Public Educator at the Fire Marshal Office, give her a call on anything you need. Kevin McGinty is the Fire Code Compliance contact, call him with any questions.

MSFDA - Bennett gave update on conference, in Detroit Lakes 2011. MSFCA Anderson up coming Firefighter Day at Fair, Hosting National Volunteer Council Conference, Chiefs Conference in Rochester, also need all departments to get there data log into Image Trend. VFBA Linhoff reported an increased from \$85 per day to \$100 per day with the maximum days to be paid now at 190 days. MnScu Roelin reported there are several Train the Trainer programs available.

Other Comments: Rush City: Golf Tournament is September 11th. Fire Fighter I Certification Test in August.

Next Meeting Date/Time: October 14, 2010 Place: Hinckley Community Center