



New Mexico Task Force One

New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management



February 1st, 2010

Members: 222

Deployable Members: 125



Haiti

Haiti set a precedent in the National US&R Program. For the first time, Task Forces other than the two designated international teams deployed internationally. We do not know if this will set a new trend. We were 7th in the rotation at the time of the incident, which put us 10 teams out after the teams that had already been activated and or deployed. We were scheduled to deploy with the third wave if needed, but they never got past the 1st wave.

2010 Training

The third Saturday of every month is Task Force Operations Day. This is the day that the task force will conduct recurring training, meetings and address items concerning the operational readiness of the team. The third Saturday is also the day our annual MobEx occurs in August, the annual Limited MobEx in February, and our two quarterly drills in May and November. A current calendar is available for viewing on the Task Force web site.

February Limited MobEx February 20th, 2010 @ 0700

It is time for our annual "Limited MobEx". The Limited MobEx is devoted to Pre-Deployment Administration and Training. This MobEx is important to both those who need training to become deployable; and deployable members to make certain their pre-deployment documentation is in order.

Who Goes, Who Stays?

Please be aware that we can deploy at any time. The time to try and take care of your administrative and training requirements for deployability is not at the onset of an event. Those that are placed on the roster are already deployable and have actively participated with Task Force during non-deployment activities. Who gets to go should we receive a deployment order will be decided by;

1. Who's Deployable?
2. Positions to be filled vs. what Deployable members are available.
3. If there is more than one deployable member for only one available position; which member has participated the most during non-deployment activities?

There will be no exceptions.

Corrective Action Review January 12th, 2010

The NM-TF1 Corrective Action Review (CAR) on January 12th, 2010 went very well. We are now officially deployable as a Type I team. We are conditional (yellow) as we still need to reach two deep in all positions (140 deployable), and need to correct a few remaining items to become fully green. We will continue to contact our members and cooperating agencies for supplemental information for files and to get those of you who only need locally available training to become deployable.

Thanks

John Wheeler, John Martinez and Don Scott from DHS; and the staff and management at NM-TF1 would like to thank all the members who have helped the team get to where we are today. In the past 6 months 52 members have attended national training courses, and too numerous to mention have attended local monthly training days. In addition many members helped at the warehouse in preparation for the CAR in the weeks leading up to it. We are almost there and are shooting to become unconditionally deployable (green) by July 1st, when we will be #1 on the rotation.