



**REGION D RHSOC QUARTERLY MEETING**  
**Wednesday, July 21, 2021**  
**9:00 A.M.**

**Attendance:**

<b>RHSOC Members:</b>	<b>Ex-Officios:</b>
Chris Berndt, Chair	Wendell Hall, MDNR
Melissa Duckworth, Emergency Management	Jim Furgerson, SEMA
Bonnie Witt-Schulte, Emergency Management	
Eric Schmitt, Police	<b>Guests/Visitors</b>
William Davis, Police	Grant Selvey, Lawrence County Emer. Management
Randy Foster, Sheriff	Kim Kinder, Dade County Emer. Management
Tom Koch, Sheriff	Karen Brow, City of Monett
Matt Stoller, Sheriff	Dalten Young, Greene County OEM
David Pennington, Fire	Brandon Backlin, Greene County OEM
Lynn Hollandworth, Fire	Brian Athen, Springfield Fire
Katrinka Cooksey, County Health	Kris Inman, Springfield-Greene County 911
Kevin Trogdon, HS RRS	Chelsey Call, OHS
Hank Smythe, County Commissioner	Jordan Fletcher, OHS
Brent Watkins, Industry/LEPC	Jonathan Ayres, WebEOC
Paul Carter, Industry/LEPC	Scott Moore, SW MO IST
Cassie Cunningham, Utilities	Robin Sawyer, Springfield-Greene County OEM
David Compton, EMS	Cheryl Mitchell, Christian County EMA
Jason Smith, EMS	Keith Stammer, Jasper County EMA
Mike Lawton, 911	Ted Martin, Branson Fire Rescue
Linda Barger, Volunteer Groups	Phil Amtower, Christian County EMD
Julie Stolting, Volunteer Groups	Ben Bonner, IST
David Hall, Schools	Bill Pittenger, MO Dept of Ag
Kyle Whittaker, Agriculture	Darwin Boston, Red Cross
Reagan Bluel, Agriculture	Jenny Solomon, Red Cross
David Pennington, Fire	Tom Martin, Stone County EMD
Lynn Hollandworth, Fire	Grant Selvey, Lawrence County EMD
Katrinka Cooksey, County Health	Delmar Haase, Carl Junction Police
Kevin Trogdon, HS RRS	Mark Cannon
Hank Smythe, County Commissioner	Neil Solomon
	<b>Staff:</b>
	Dorothy Wittorff-Sandgren, SMOG
	Thomas Cunningham, SMOG
	Jason Ray, SMOG

**Open Meeting**

***Opening Comments/Pledge of Allegiance***

Chris Berndt opened the meeting at 9:05 followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

***Roll Call/Introductions***

Meeting was held entirely via zoom. Attendance was taken for RHSOC members, and all other guests were asked to type their name/organization in chat.

***Approval of Consent Agenda***

Motion to approve the consent agenda for the July meeting passed unanimously

## Committee Reports

### ***Exercise/Training Report – Melissa Duckworth***

There are four courses listed on SEMA training through October 1. Melissa would like to move on from being in charge of training. She requested that anyone interested in taking over reach out to her and she will get them set up. She also recommended we look into creating a group to oversee training, so no one person has to manage it entirely. Dorothy mentioned that while it would be great to have a group, we will still need one person in charge of the group for paperwork signatures.

### ***TICP/WebEOC Working Group – Jonathan Ayres***

Jonathan said that TICP has fallen in priority and not much progress has been made. For WebEOC, we have 739 current users, but he predicts an increase in the future. If any requests for training are made, they will look into virtual training or other methods.

### ***Strategic Plan Working Group – Ted Martin***

The committee met in May to work on developing a mission statement and vision for the group. Ted asked for any feedback from the RHSOC and said the next step will be to work on strategic goals.

## Old Business

### ***SHSP Procurement Updates – Dorothy Wittorff-Sandgren***

FY19: Dorothy said FY19 will be completely spent. Waiting on separate quotes for FY19 and FY20 monitors.

FY20: Dorothy has received multiple quotes for FY20 projects and progress is being made.

### ***Inventory Disbursement Requests – Dorothy Wittorff-Sandgren***

Dorothy requested approval to take the air pack cannisters purchased with HSRT money in 2003 off of inventory. Chris Berndt said he will take the packs to use as parts. Motion to approve removal from inventory made by Cassie Cunningham (utilities), second by David Hall (schools). Motion passed unanimously.

## New Business

### ***Scoring of FY21 SHSP Applications – Chris Berndt***

Chris Berndt started by asking if any of the applicants would like to make changes to their requests. David Pennington elected to withdraw the SFD Bomb Squad Robot application (\$180,252). After a discussion, it was determined that the final two projects for the Lamar Police Department did not meet the requirements for funding and were removed from eligibility. It was decided that the Willard Fire Protection District's application would be amended to remove the cost of the boat (\$18,000) and the trailer (\$1,300) from their total request. Any savings gained will be shifted to other approved projects. Rather than vote for each project individually, David Hall made a motion to vote on the final funding approval of the project list as a group. David Compton seconded the motion and it passed. Any members that had a conflict of interest abstained from voting. The results of the vote are as follows:

<b>Discipline</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Emergency Management	Melissa Duckworth	A
Police	Eric Schmitt	A
Sheriff	Randy Foster	A
Fire	Lynn Hollandworth	Y
County Health	Katrinka Cooksey	Y
HS RRS	Kevin Trogdon	A
City/County Public Works	n/a	n/a
Mayor/City Admin	n/a	n/a
County Commissioner	Hank Smythe	Y
Industry/LEPC	Paul Cater	Y
Utilities	Cassie Cunningham	Y
EMS	David Compton	Y
911	Mike Lawton	Y
Volunteer Groups	Linda Barger	A
Schools	David Hall	Y
Agriculture	n/a	n/a
Hospitals	Dennis Martin	A
Cybersecurity	Shannon McMurtrey	Y

## **Federal/State/Regional Partners Updates**

### ***OHS/HSGP – Chelsey Call***

Chelsey reminded everyone that the FY21 award amount of \$334,151.04 is an estimate and could potentially change. Those interested in LETPA funding must first apply through the RHSOC. More information will be released in August.

### ***Interoperable Communications – Bryan Courtney***

Bryan was not at the meeting but he did submit a report

### ***Cybersecurity – Angie Robinson***

Angie was not at the meeting but she did submit a report

### ***DHSS – Leslie Kavlak***

### ***DNR – Wendell Hall/Carl Harris***

### ***Agriculture – Bill Pittenger***

Refer to Bill's report for more info.

### ***Mutual Aid – Eric Hartman, Kevin Virgin***

Kevin was unable to make the meeting, but he wanted to let everyone know that if there were any questions about the SPR or the THIRA please contact him and he would be happy to assist. He also submitted a report

### ***Incident Support Team – Ben Bonner***

The final DMAT deployment ended on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. An AAR is being worked on to ensure they capture all the lessons learned during the response. All in all, the deployment was a major success thanks to everyone who contributed and provided support. Many other projects are in the works now, including website and inventory updates. The team was asked to develop a safety plan for the National CERT conference in Springfield. The Battlefield Fire Protection District has helped with the remodel of the IST trailer. Scott Moore announced that there is a lot of PPE available to those organizations that need it. Please contact him for more info.

## **Disciplinary Group Reports**

***Volunteer Groups*** – Linda Barger provided an updated on the National CERT Conference. The IST stepped up and took care of the safety needs. There were 373 paid attendees, 34 states represented, and close to 100 Region D CERT members. Gov Parsons made an appearance and spoke. So far, there have been no reported cases of COVID from the conference. Over \$100,000 was raised at the conference, and the leftover money will be used to develop a MO CERT 501c3.

***Emergency Management*** – Melissa Duckworth said they met last week, but she does not have any big updates to share.

***Police*** – Eric Schmitt said they are suffering from a shortage of qualified applicants and are having trouble retaining experienced officers.

***Sheriff*** – Randy Foster echoed Eric's sentiment about staffing. He also reported that the mobile command unit would be down while a new generator is being installed.

***Industry*** – Paul Carter voiced his appreciation and support for all the frontline workers

***Utilities*** – Cassie Cunningham reported that electrical utilities are being specifically targeted by cyberattacks. They are working with local, state, and national organizations to combat the threat.

***EMS*** – David Compton said Covid cases are up, which in turn affects first responders. He asks everyone to treat any 911 call as if they have Covid.

**Schools** – David Hall discussed Covid precautions as they prepare for the school year to begin.

**Cybersecurity** – Shannon McMurtrey would like to present at the next meeting regarding utilities being targeted by cyberattacks.

**Other Business/Open Discussion**

**Annual Meeting – Thomas Cunningham**

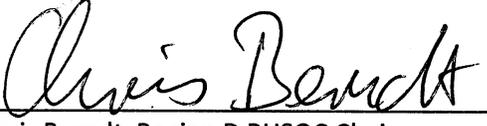
Thomas reminded everyone that the next meeting will be the first meeting for the new RHSOC year, which means terms will be ending for some members. We will need to determine who will be the new primary for a handful of disciplines. We will also be voting on a new Chair/Vice Chair at the next meeting in October. David Hall brought up meeting attendance by state level organizations and said it would be great if state representatives could attend 1-2 meetings a year.

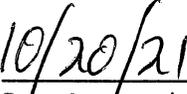
**Next Meeting Date**

October 20, 2021 – Location TBD

**Adjourn**

Schools motioned to adjourn the meeting, utilities seconded, and the motion carried. The meeting ended at 10:55 am.

  
Chris Berndt, Region D RHSOC Chair

  
Date Approved

## MISSOURI INTEROPERABILITY CENTER UPDATE

June 2021

### Missouri Statewide Interoperability Network Update

FY22 700 MHz sites

- Dogwood
- Carrollton
- La Plata
- New Madrid
- Salem
- Keytesville
- Memphis – permanent installation, cabinet
- Cedar Springs – permanent installation, cabinet
- Hannibal – water tank – temporary installation with MOSWIN site-trailer moved from Memphis
- Carthage – Jasper Co Sheriff’s Office tower - temporary installation with MOSWIN site-trailer moved from Memphis
- Troop I – Rolla –

### Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC) Activities

- Communications planning support for planned events and emergencies If your agency/region needs communications support for any planned event included the MIC ASAP in advance. [moswin.sysadmin@dps.mo.gov](mailto:moswin.sysadmin@dps.mo.gov)
- Statewide Communications Interoperability Plan (SCIP) update – virtual meetings completed in December. SCIP update virtual meeting completed January 7<sup>th</sup> – Approved by the MO SIEC at the June 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. Approved and adopted at Q1 HSAC Meeting
- All RHSOC Regions who have not updated their regional tactical interoperable communications plans (TICP) should do so ASAP. Contact MIC for assistance.
  - Methodology for update involves simply updating the 2010 template
- Reminder: Radio Interoperability Guidelines for radios/radio equipment effective July 1, 2019
  - Applies to all Federal grant radios
  - Key: Revised for 2021 – document provided to RHSOC
- MOSWIN training moving to virtual platform for delivery – if interested is hosting virtual training contact the MIC - [moswin.sysadmin@dps.mo.gov](mailto:moswin.sysadmin@dps.mo.gov)

**Cybersecurity**

- Offered assistance in multiple Cyber incident response cases.
- Made multiple vulnerability notifications
- Working with the National Governor's Association, the MO Governor's Office, and multiple state and local fusion centers to define Missouri's Critical Infrastructure (pertaining to Cyber), as well as identifying gaps within Missouri pertaining to cyber to focus our cyber efforts
- Scheduling outreach with locals



## RHSOC Region D Meeting

### Missouri Department of Agriculture Update

**Food Security:** The Missouri Department of Agriculture awarded nearly \$17 million dollars to 147 small and medium meat processors in Missouri as part of the MO Meat and Poultry Processing Grant Program. Meat processors who employ 200 or less employees were eligible to apply for grants. Forty new meat processors were able to achieve State Inspection Status allowing them to sell processed meat to the public. In June 2021, USDA announced a similar federal grant program with \$55.2 million dollars available nationwide for small and medium meat processors to help them get federal inspection status or State Cooperative Interstate Shipment Program status.

**Foreign Animal Disease Preparedness and Response:** African Swine Fever Virus, Foot & Mouth Disease Virus and High Pathogenic Avian Influenza virus are the three major viruses circulating in the world that could devastate the Missouri Poultry and Livestock Industries. MDA is continuing to work with stakeholders to develop biosecurity plans along with Secure Food Supply Plans (Secure Beef, Secure Pork, Secure Poultry, Secure Milk, and Secure Sheep and Wool) that will help keep continuity of business during a disease outbreak. MDA staff are participating in National and Regional FAD exercises allowing existing emergency plans to be updated to meet current policies and protocols.

**Incident Command System Training:** USDA APHIS is conducting an ICS 300 training class July 19-21, 2021 in Jefferson City for MDA staff. The class will have an animal disease emergency theme. We are working to identify MDA staff to serve on the MDA Incident Management Team and to attend ICS Position Specific training in 2021 and 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

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## **Missouri Office of Homeland Security (Planning)**

### **Law Enforcement Mutual Aid**

1. There is a virtual mutual aid town hall scheduled for 7/22/21. Current panelists for the meeting the EMS mutual aid coordinator, the Fire mutual aid coordinator, LPHA coordinator, Chaplain mutual aid coordinator, SEMA and the Law Enforcement mutual aid coordinator. Invitations were sent our last week by discipline.
2. MoSCOPE, MULE-MAP are all in the review and update process.

### **Counter Terrorism Officer Program**

1. Regional trainings across the state are complete for this year. More in-seat training will be available in the next 4 months.

### **THIRA/SPR**

1. This year is SPR updates only, next year will be a full THIRA/SPR update. Please advise our office by 7/30/21 if you anticipate updating your SPR this year. If you are going to provide an update our office will need your SPR by 10/1/21.

### **Special Events Data Call**

1. If you have a special event that you would like added to the list use the Joint Situational Awareness Tool (JSAT) special event reporting survey to load your event. To access the JSAT you will need to have both a HSIN account and a GII account. If you need either contact [marisa.wise@dps.mo.gov](mailto:marisa.wise@dps.mo.gov) to begin the application process. If you only wish to use the survey without JSAT access use the following link; <https://arcg.is/fXCu10>



## **SOUTHWEST MISSOURI INCIDENT SUPPORT TEAM**

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### **RHSOC Update**

**July 8, 2021**

The Southwest Missouri IST has continued to be hard at work over the previous three months. Our final deployment to support the Missouri Disaster Medical Assistance Team (MO-1 DMAT) ended on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April. This unprecedented deployment challenged our way of thinking in many areas and provided many opportunities for relationship building and growth. We are currently in the process of developing an AAR for this deployment to ensure we capture the lessons learned during this response. The Admin Team would like to extend our sincere gratitude to all of those who deployed, all of those who worked behind the scenes to support the deployment, and to all of those agencies who support our IST members and allow them the opportunity to participate.

The IST Admin Team has been hard at work on many projects. These projects range from the rebuilding of the Team's website, to inventory of our physical and human assets, as well as exploring new technology to support the Team based on lessons already learned from the MO-1 DMAT deployment. We have added a few new positions to the Admin Team and are currently looking to add a Deputy Planning Section Chief.

We were requested to assist in the development of a Safety Plan for the National CERT conference taking place in Springfield next week. Chief Scott Moore has been instrumental in coordinating our effort to support the conference. We will have staff on site next week to assist as needed. We appreciate the opportunity to play a very small role in this event.

Over the past several months, the Battlefield Fire Protection District has graciously spent a great deal of time and has invested monetarily to the remodel and update of the IST trailer. The storage solutions have been upgraded as well as space has been created to convert the trailer from simply a transportation vehicle into a great workspace for an ICP (see photo). The IST would like to extend our sincere thanks to Chief Scott Moore and the Battlefield Fire Protection District for their efforts to make this asset much more usable for the Team.

We continue to assist with regional PPE distribution for the Missouri Division of Fire Safety and SEMA. We have what we believe will be the final distribution scheduled for the 16<sup>th</sup> of this month. The IST will remain ready to assist as requested for this mission.



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We are working hard to ensure the IST is prepared to respond when called upon. Whether it be an emergency incident, a planned event, or simply to assist with some element of the planning process, we are here for you.

We want to thank the RHSOC for your continued support.

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