

SERC Training Committee
Minutes
Teleconference
December 8, 2008 1300hrs

Members Participating:

Thomas Vaden, Chair
Merry Carlson, DHS&EM
Dan Gray, DHS EM
Alan Wien, DEC
Lee Parham, DHSS/DPH/CHEMS
Cindy Forrest-Elkins
Larry Bethel, Private Training, Environmental Management, Inc

The teleconference was called to order at 1315hrs. The minutes from the August 29, 2008 teleconference were approved. New members were welcomed

Upcoming training events were discussed; COOP training was discussed as well and is to be presented in a regional training event in Fairbanks next week.

Credentialing and/or certification were discussed at a broad level. Discussion was directed toward an Emergency Management Award at the State and Community Level. This will be on the agenda at the next meeting. NIMS compliance was also discussed in regards to credentialing instructors at a minimal level to start with. This is due to a critical element of preparedness under NIMS which allows for use of common or compatible structures for the qualification and certification of emergency management or response personnel. {After the teleconference a draft application for certification of ICS instructors was sent to DHS&EM Tab A}.

It was noted that there is a lack of "Train the Trainer" classes and instructor support for ICS classes statewide. DHS&EM is in the process of developing "To Go" boxes for ICS training and a list of available instructors. Some of this criteria is also discussed in Tab A.

Lee Parham will send the link to the DHS&EM Training site to the AK EMS list serve on a bi monthly basis to keep awareness up and provide information to organizations not covered currently.

The Training Matrix was also discussed; it is on hold pending possible location of the matrix in a MS word document. Additionally, a history for the Training Matrix should be developed in the introduction of the Training Matrix, and a list of updates should be documented.

The next teleconference will be in February 2009

The Teleconference was adjourned at 1401 hrs.