

OAFC Zone #3 Meeting

OFM Update and Discussion

Today's Topics

- OFM management status
- Messages from other sections
- OFM website
- OFM initiatives: Staffing, Prevention, Propane, etc...
- Local area status
- Prognostication, discussion and feedback



New Fire Marshal Ted Wieclawek

- Joined OFM in 1992
- High ranking positions: Exec Ass't to FM, Ops Mgr, ADFM
- Queens U. grad – Political Science
- Worked on policy and legislative development of FPPA
- Member of OAFC, IAFC
- Sits on PSSB committee

Fire Protection Services

- Acting Assistant Deputy Fire Marshal Trevor Bain, continues to manage Community Safety Enhancements section.
- Operations Manager Dennis Gannon, covers all of Southern Ontario and is on several internal committees

Emergency Planning & Strategic Development

- C-L Chambers - back in August
- Brent Allen is currently acting manager
- It was suggested by Larry Crang that you review contact information for OFM emergency response assistance
- “Pilot” has become the program
- PEOC @ 1-866-314-0472 (FC)

Ontario Fire College

Ed Godden

Company Officer – Level 1 & 2

- Programs to be delivered locally by designated OFC Associates
- Course requests - 6 weeks ahead
- Once course number assigned, applications to registrar 6 days prior to start date
- Level 1 & 2 Associate Instructor training sessions offered at OFC

DATS

Alison Wilson

- Alison reminds you that municipal reports are available that provide 5 year information on fires and all emergency calls.
- https://www.ofm.ca/eng_index.asp
- Password: “statsddmmyyy”
(current date)

OFM Website Web Enquiries

- New OFM website - explore topics along the left side of the screen
- Website enquiries occur occasionally
- Typically local fire department contact info is provided
- If an issue seems “immediate” or serious, you will be contacted

Propane

- OFM guidance materials sent to fire service
- No expected changes this year
- For assistance, call adviser
- Technical info – Specialist Chad Brown or Beth Tate, P. Eng

Staffing Guideline

- This is a guideline, not a standard
- OFM considers a “best practice”
- It can be used to analyse past calls or for pre-fire planning
- Matrix thresholds (low, moderate, high, extreme) should be pre-set – use Fire Risk Sub-Model & your good judgement
- OFM is using already (e.g. Deep River, Sudbury)

Fire Prevention Guideline

- Currently under development by a working group, including fire service participation.
- Anticipated release Spring 2011

Southern Region Staffing

In 1988:

- 40 advisers, 80 fire safety officers on the ground

Today:

- 19 specialists for Province
- 16 advisers for Province on the ground
- SW = 4 advisers; still one adviser short

Local Projects Annual Compliance

- Overall - good response
- Tip: Start early; make it a habit
- Remember: This is important documentation showing due diligence on your part (and mine)

Local Projects Mutual Aid Plans

- **New:** June 1st deadline for MAP submission should help prevent falling behind
- **Annually:** Review and update contact, equipment lists, asset report
- So far, no major changes in MAP document for 2011

Local Projects Essentials Seminars

- Essentials for Municipal Leaders:
- May 18th – Bluewater (Huron)
- May 25th – Mulmur Twp (Dufferin)
- June 23rd – St Marys (Perth)
- We're inviting surrounding regions and counties for saturation
- No fire service leaders seminars scheduled yet

Prognostication

- Feedback?
- Discussion?
- Educated guesses?
- Thank You!