

## ***Inyo County Search and Rescue January 2017 General Meeting Minutes***

Called to order 7:10 PM, January 4, 2017

Attendance: Sgt. Nate Derr, Matthew Larson, Julie Vargo, Mike Hay, Ed Carlson, Todd Vogel, Elsbeth Otto, Ian Bell, Lane Dumm, Laura Molnar, Cody Tucker, Damon Cherenzia, Ashley Helms, Thomas Church, Ryan Navales, Darla Heil, Michelle Spresser, Laura Lingeman, Jon Weisman

### **General Discussion**

**Purchasing DeLorme InReach GPS/Communication Devices** DeLormes would enable us to collect tracks, send text messages and locations via satellite. Nate Derr thinks that he might be able to get Sherriff Lutz to help with the costs.

➔ Matt Larson introduces motion to purchase up to 12 DeLormes devices and subscription services for up to \$5000 total. Likely cost will run around \$3,200. Motion passes.

**SAT Phone** The Purchase Order for the satellite phone has gone through, so we can hopefully have one up and running ASAP. Matt will follow with the County.

**Rigging for Rescue-** Technical Ropes Training April 17-21 (Monday – Friday). \$15k cost for the training, for up to 18 team members. We can likely fill up the training with China Lake, DEVA, and Mono SAR. Possible change of dates so the training overlaps on the prior weekend

➔ Matt Larson motion to put down \$5000 deposit to secure the Rigging for Rescue training. Motion passes.

**Upcoming Installation Dinner-** January 23<sup>rd</sup>. RSVP needed. This is a Formal event, so please dress up (or at least wear pants).

**Recertification-** March 4, 2017 in Apple Valley. MRA Search and Tracking Recertification. Please sign up on the white board in the Posse Hut if you will be able to make it to the recertification.

**Avalanche Training-** Todd Vogel is leading an avalanche training on Thursday, January 19, with a field day on Saturday, January 21. Probes, beacons, and shovels will be available.

**Potential Flooding this Weekend-** Sgt. Nate Derr: Atmospheric River coming in. National Weather Service has warned about flooding potential. Be prepared to be called out to help with the flooding if there is a rain-on-snow event on Saturday. Mono County is concerned that the Walker River could potentially flood

like 1997. Possible manpower for sandbagging, etc. might be needed. Main concern in Inyo Co. is Aspendell, might have to evacuate the community if avalanche conditions get too severe.

**Send Lane Dumm your Medical Certifications and Expiration Dates ASAP.**  
He is compiling a list. His email: [lanedumm@hotmail.com](mailto:lanedumm@hotmail.com)

**Winter Race Series-** First race this Saturday at Millpond County Park. Set up at 7am, 9am race start. Please come out if you can make it, and bring a rain jacket.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM

### **Upcoming Dates-**

#### **January**

- 7<sup>th</sup> – Winter Race #1
- 19<sup>th</sup> – Avalanche Training
- 21<sup>th</sup> – Avalanche Field Day
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – SAR Dinner at Mountain Rambler Brewery
- 28<sup>th</sup> – Winter Race #2

#### **February**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> - General Meeting
- 9<sup>th</sup> – ICS Training
- 11<sup>th</sup> – ELT Training
- 18<sup>th</sup> – Winter Race #3
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – Medical Training
- 25<sup>th</sup> – Large Search Medical Field Day

#### **March**

- 2<sup>nd</sup> – General Meeting
- 4<sup>th</sup> – MRA Search and Tracking Recertification