

**STATE/FEDERAL RADIOLOGICAL MONITORING AND ASSESSMENT CENTER (FRMAC)
SEMI-ANNUAL WEBINAR
January 26, 2022**

FRMAC WORKING GROUP UPDATES

- Chair for Monitoring & Sampling Working Group presented updates (see slide presentation).
 - Reiterated information on slides.
 - MS-50 is offered for state staff, which is field monitoring training for states. All the other courses are predominantly geared toward CMRT responders. However, all the monitoring training slides are available on the FRMAC website:
https://www.nnss.gov/pages/programs/FRMAC/FRMAC_DocumentsManuals.html
 - No further discussion.

- Chair for the Assessment Working Group updates (see slide presentation)
 - Reiterated information on slides.
 - Assessment Manual Vol 2: publication expected to be sometime in the summer.
 - Working on Assessment Operations Manual describing internal processes; re-describing how we do business now and putting focus on that at this time.
 - Quarterly Training: Looking into having another one mid-February depending on availability.
 - No further discussion.

- Chair for the Laboratory Analysis Working Group updates (see slide presentation)
 - Reiterated information on slides.
 - Programmatic improvements: FRMAC Laboratory Analysis Manual will be split in 2 volumes. Volume 1 will be published first and will be a programmatic overview of what we do and who we are. Volume 2 is more operationally focused-how we do our job type of manual.
 - Training development: Conducted hotline drills at the Remote Sensing Laboratory and Sandia National Laboratory with local Radiological Assistance Program teams to practice RadResponder sample control process and found lots of areas for improvement. We were able to conduct our operational RadResponder using the web analysis process we've building for the past couple of years. Will be publishing findings and observations in an after-action report that will be handed off to the developers of RadResponder.
 - No further discussion.

SPECIAL TOPICS

- Radiological Assistance Program (RAP) – Consequence Management Activities (see slide presentation)
 - Reiterated information on slides.
 - Question was asked if everything is on schedule for Sequoia Ingestion Pathway Exercise, the Department of Energy answered that they've been in contact with state of Tennessee as well as RAP region 2 and have met with the Advisory Team

and will continue to work on planning it and ensure that everyone is engaged appropriately.

- No further discussion.
- Exercise Updates (see slide presentation)
 - Reiterated information on slides.
 - No further discussion.
- RadResponder updates (see slide presentation)
 - Reiterated information on slides.
 - For any questions about RadResponder or the CBRNResponder mobile application, reach out to Chainbridge Technologies or the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
 - No further discussion.
- National Radiological Emergency Preparedness Conference (NREP), Inc
 - 32nd Annual Conference April 11-14, 2022, Nashville, Tennessee.
 - National Radiological Emergency Preparedness Conference website is: <https://www.nationalrep.org>
 - NREP Conference is not offered virtually.
- Conference of Radiological Control Program Directors (CRCPD) updates (no slides)
 - Sponsoring a train the trainer workshop for population monitoring at NREP in coordination with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to practice and train state and local health departments, medical reserve corps, and other volunteer organizations. Flyer is posted on the website or you can the Executive Director for more information or if you want to sign up for the workshop.
 - ROSS Program offering workshop and exercise at NREP coordinating with RadResponder team and Radiation Emergency Services.
 - Initial training course for Radiological Operations Support Specialists has resumed through the Counterterrorism Operations Support (CTOS) Center for Radiological/Nuclear Training. One was given in November and next one is coming up week of February 8th.
 - Proving state representatives to the Radiological Assistance Program Training for Emergency Responders (RAPTER) training. Looking to provide representatives within each of the RAP regions. If you did not hear the call for that request please feel free to reach out to Angela or Bruce and that they can put you on the list.
 - Will provide 2 CRCPD evaluators to Cobalt Magnet exercise for FRMAC support to the state of Texas. Have shared those names with the coordinators.
 - Annual CRCPD Conference is on May 16-19 in Tucson, Arizona.

STATE/FEDERAL AGENCY UPDATES

- State/Federal Agency Updates (no slides)
 - DOE updates: Hired a new Consequence Management Program Manager. He is expected to start next week. Also received an acceptance offer on the deputy Consequence Management Program Manager. Potentially can have both of these positions filled by March at the latest.

- Regarding travel and COVID, doing our best to get our people back to field while being mindful of their health and potential impact to readiness of our response assets.
- CDC Updates
CDC is seeking feedback on updates they will be making to functionality to the Community Reception Center SimPLER Program. If interested in providing feedback send an email to simpler@cdc.gov. Updates expected to deploy May of this year. Will be hosting training in late February. Registration information will be sent out soon.

CLOSING

- Presentations will be sent out to participants on the http://nnss.gov/pages/programs/FRMAC/FRMAC_Outreach.html page.
- Next call on Wednesday, July 27, 2022.