SMFR Special Ops Training Report

August 2014

- 1. 24 hr Life Safety Class- Class was completed on August 15, 2014 by NSR Solutions at Cedar Hammock Station #3. A total of 49 firefighters from Manatee County completed the course and were given 24 hours of continuing credit from the State Fire College. Five volunteers from Southern Manatee attended the class: FF Viodoli, FF Smith-Kerr, FF Asfur, FF Velazquez, and FF Proll.
- 2. Radiation Class- This class remains in the staged to be instructed at the Southern Manatee Fire Administration building in September 10, 17, 24 and November 6, 13, 20 time frame. FF Bloski is serving as the interim coordinator with the State. This class will cover responding to radiation instruments along with detection. All SMFR personnel from all three shifts will be rotated in the class on the above dates.
- 4. PER 211 Medical Management of CBRNE Event- On August 15th we were granted approval from the state emergency manager to hold class on Nov 3-4, 2014 at the Manatee County EOC. This class is a FEMA level national class instructed by the Texas A& M University. This class will cover medical protocols for working in the CBRNE incident using computer patient simulators to administer drugs and ALS procedures. We have 14 students committed as of Sept. 1st. The maximum count for class is 40 students with 30 minimum.
- 5. Hazmat Drills- There is a team drill held on August 21^{st} , a SMFR Station #3. A total of 6 personnel were present with practice on WMD 20/20 Protein Response kits, NIOSH field book review, and gas meters and equipment. Total time spent was 2 hours. Our next team drill is scheduled for September 16^{th} (C-Shift) at SMFR Station 3.
- 6. Operations Sysco- A HSEEP Drill remains in planning stages for Sysco plant located in Palmetto, Florida. Sysco invited the SMFR hazmat team to meet and plan an ammonia response drill in Feb. 2015. Our first meeting was June 12th and an objective along with a brief tour was conducted. A planning session will in July to further expand drill ideas and concepts. This drill will include Sysco personnel, SMFR Special Operations Team, and the North River Fire District. This drill will simulate an Ammonia leak at their site. The draft HSEEP can be sent for review. FF Bloski serves as the exercise coordinator.
- 7. Operation Railcar- A HSEEP Drill remains in the planning stages for 2015 at the Tri-Ag Railcar center in Palmetto, Florida. Initial planning has been conducted with them looking to host table top drills on October 21-23rd with SMFR personnel. More meetings are expected to plan a full exercise in the 1st quarter of 2015 with SMFR Special Operation Team, Tri-Ag personnel, and North River Fire District. This exercise drill will simulate a leaking railcar. The draft HSEEP can be sent for review. FF Bloski serves as the exercise coordinator.

Future events planned:

• SMFR Hazmat personnel will observe a Hillsbourgh county table top exercise in Oct. 2014.