#### **Prevention First 2012**

# Proposed Changes to Drills and Exercise Regulations



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#### Introduction

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## Drills & Exercise Background

- DFG-OSPR Drills and Exercise Program started 1998 (2 staff)
- D&E Program redesigned in 2006
- Comprehensive Contingency Plan
   D&E Program began in 2008 (7 staff)
- D&E staff supported by OSPR Field Response Teams and OSPR HQ staff

#### **Current Regulations**

- CCR, Title 14, Div 1, Subdiv 4, Ch 3, Subch 3, Section 820.01
- Link: <a href="http://www.dfg.ca.gov/ospr">http://www.dfg.ca.gov/ospr</a>
- Evaluation of 15 PREP objectives, and
- Nine California specific objectives
- Notification and submittal deadlines included in regulations

#### Why Update Regulations?

- D&E staff and industry representatives have observed limitations with current regulations
- Demonstrate the ability to...
- Subjective
- Make updated regulations "measurable and performance based"

## Limitations of Existing Regulations I

# The following are not discussed or referenced in regulations:

- ICS Forms of any kind
- IMH
- Planning "P"

#### Limited references in regulations:

- IAP
- ICS training (only referenced in IDM section)

#### **Limitations of Existing Regulations II**

# Currently, drill scheduling is not sustainable and does not allow for the OSPR support that plan holders need:

- 98 TTX & SED Drills held in Southern California in 2011
- 50% of these drills held between September and December (industry waits until the end of the year)
- Highlights include (2011):
- 9 drills in one week (6 TTX & 3 SEDs)
- 3 drills held on same day on two different occasions

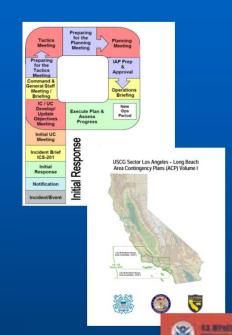
## Congested Drill Calendar (example)

- November 2012, Southern California Drills
- 5 Nov 9 Nov, 8 drills in one week (5 TTX & 3 SEDs)
- 12 Nov 16 Nov, 7 drills in one week (6 TTX & 1 SED)

November, 2012				
Monday	Tuesday	Wedresday	Thursday	Friday
29	30	31	1-	2
5 9:30 AM PXP	6 8:00 AM Philips 66	7 7:30 AM PXP	8 9:00 AM Ancon Marine	9 10:00 AM Trac Tide Marine
	1:00 PM Vopak Corp	8:00 AM Philips 66 10:00 AM Ribost/AES		
12	13 9:30 AM PXP	14 8:00 AM Shel Pipeline 9:00 AM GD NASSCO	15 8:00 AM Shell Pipeline 10:00 AM Weber Readiness	16 8:00 AM Pacific Operators O 9:00 AM The SOCO Group
19	20	10:00 AM S-FRT	22	23
26	27	28 D 11/28/2012 TBA Vintage	29	30
3	4 10:00 AM Cabrillo Power 10:00 AM Seneca Resources	5 8:00 AM Venoco	6. 8:00 AM Venoco 9:30 AM Maxum Petroleum	7

# **Proposed New Regulations I**

- Based on ICS
- Reference IMH and ACP
- Performance based:
- Follow Planning "P"
- Complete ICS 201
- Complete an Incident Action Plan
- Utilize & complete ICS forms to include 202, 203/207, 208, 209, 230, etc



## **Proposed New Regulations II**

- Drill objectives rewritten to be performance based and measurable
- Old "California-specific" drill objectives are no longer identified separately
- All objectives are California Specific
- Objectives are organized according to ICS structure

## **Proposed New Regulations III**

- Different drill deliverables between the two types of plan holders:
- Tank Vessels, Nontank Vessels and Marine Facilities
- Small Marine Fueling Facilities, Mobile Transfer Units and Vessels Carrying Oil As Secondary Cargo

## **Proposed New Regulations IV**

- For Tank vessels, nontank vessels and vessels carrying oil as secondary cargo:
- Once in every three year drill cycle, Spill Management Team tabletop exercise must be conducted in California
- Exercise shall test a Reasonable Worst Case Spill response
- This will require testing "all" objectives through role playing as would actually occur during a real event

# **Proposed New Regulations V**

- Equipment Deployment Drills:
- Drills become pass/fail events
- Drill notification to Cal-EMA/OES required
- Equipment deployment exercise shall take place in the first six months of the calendar year
- If the exercise fails, a second exercise shall be required in the second six months of the calendar year

## **Proposed New Regulations VI**

- Scheduling of Drills (In-State)
- 30 day notice to schedule a SED
- 60 day notice to schedule a TTX drill
- Only 2 TTX drills allowed per week/per region on the drill calendar (2 north/2 south)
- Unlimited SEDs allowed per week on the drill calendar

#### What's Next?

- Comments, ideas, and suggestions
- Scheduled/Pending Workshops
- Sacramento, completed 19 October 2012
- Los Angeles/Sacramento? Spring 2013

# Questions?

#### THANK YOU!

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