

Arkansas Region III Tabletop Exercise

January 22, 2015

On behalf of the Arkansas Interoperable Communications Committee (AICC), representatives from OEC/ICTAP will be facilitating a communications-focused Tabletop Exercise (TTX) on January 22, 2015 at the new training facilities of the Jacksonville Police Department. Participant registration will begin at 8:00 a.m., followed by an exercise briefing at 8:30 a.m. The exercise itself will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will end at approximately 3:00 p.m. The exercise will be immediately followed by a Hotwash period that will last no longer than one hour.

This exercise will focus on the communications interoperability required to notionally respond to a multi-jurisdiction, multi-agency incident. Please note that this exercise is a facilitator-guided discussion and will **NOT** involve the hands-on use of radio equipment or a full operational deployment of field personnel.

The scenario for this exercise focuses on incident response activities in Faulkner County with progressive impacts on surrounding areas of Arkansas. Participants from all disciplines (e.g., law enforcement, fire, health, emergency management, etc.) are welcomed and encouraged to attend! Please note that an agency need not send a large number of personnel to attend but may send a reasonable number of representatives to approximate their response (e.g., consider the participation of one engine company to simulate the response of several, 1-3 police officers to represent the inputs of a larger agency, etc.).

We are seeking field response, command, and communications participants of two types for this exercise: **Players** and **Observers**.

Players: Players respond to the simulated emergency in the exercise by describing their reactions to the scenario, related policies and procedures, knowledge of communications capabilities or needs, etc. Field response equipment (e.g., turn-out gear, weapons, etc.) will not be utilized during the exercise but may be brought to the exercise and secured in vehicles in case responders are called away from the exercise to a real-world incident.

Observers: Observers view all or selected portions of the exercise play. Observers do not participate in exercise play or in exercise control functions. Observers are required to sign-in to the exercise and will be able to comment at the end of the exercise during the Hotwash. *If you plan to be the only representative from your agency, please consider functioning as a Player to ensure that your agency's inputs are incorporated into the discussion.*

At this time, we are requesting RSVPs from agencies and individuals who can commit to participating in this important exercise.

To participate as a player or observer in this exercise, please click [here](#) to submit a registration form.

Please also respond to this notice if your agency is unable to participate in this exercise so that we may appropriately re-direct player communications during the exercise.

The success of this exercise is directly tied to the participation of the region so please register or RSVP for your agency as soon as possible but **NO LATER THAN JANUARY 16, 2015**. We will be able to accommodate day-of-exercise registrations but cannot guarantee the extent of play for last-minute agencies.

Thank you in advance and we look forward to seeing you on January 22, 2015!