



REPORT TO THE FAR WEST DIVISION
PROGRAM STATUS REPORT

2016-2017 SEASON REPORT – due JULY 19, 2017

PROGRAM: OET – TRANSPORTATION

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SEASON HIGHLIGHTS – total classes – total participants

With an on-time start, and near record snowfall for the season, the Transportation program saw only 102 courses registered in the Division, down significantly from the 125 events registered the previous year. This 19% drop in registered educational opportunities reflected the confusion surrounding the late roll out of the course registration software and the relatively poor communication surrounding early season fixes and work arounds. Many thanks to Nancy Stromswold; without her untiring dedication and commitment, our course registrations would likely have been down 40%.

Course registration by Region:

No CA Region - 3 / Eastern Sierra - 38 / Mother Lode - 26 \ So CA - 27 / Arizona - 7 / Alumni - 1

Course registration by type:

TREF - 38 / PAT 101 - 17 / TTW - 14 / TES - 12 / SES - 4 / Senior - 12 / ICE - 5

Course registration enrollment touched nearly 400 FWD patrollers this season.

GOALS FOR COMING SEASON:

Provide pre season support to Region staff for course registration knowledge & timely communications for course registration and closure activities at preseason ICE event(s); build on the success of the 2016 Division calibration event with a meeting of all Region OET Administrators in Southern CA in December 2017.

Transportation focus point for coming season is Senior Training and advancement events in all Regions, and utilizing Region IT staff to the greatest extent possible.

ISSUES and RESOLUTIONS:

The continued progress in the development of NSP.org to make that vehicle completely functional for the instructors of the NSP is a continuing concern. Perhaps the most significant danger, as we enter the next phase of development, is that the end user comments and concerns with the system will rise only to the Lakewood staff level and not be heard by the decision makers on the NSP Board. I urge our upper level Division staff to continue to be outspoken advocates for additional funding for the website.

I look forward to the time when we reach 135 OET course registrations once again in the Far West Division.

Submit to: Secretary Janice Waits