



REPORT TO THE FAR WEST DIVISION
PROGRAM STATUS REPORT
MID SEASON – FWD 2016 – 2017 RECAP
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PROGRAM: FWD SAR TEAMS

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SEASON HIGHLIGHTS TO DATE — total classes — total participants

No callouts. Helicopter training scheduled for 1/7 canceled because of bad weather (helicopter grounded) and high avalanche conditions; future helicopter training sessions scheduled for 2/4, 3/4 and 4/1. 13 candidates being trained this season;
 SAR roster currently at 34 (not including candidates).
 Mike Kelly - Team North

We responded to the Barrett lake search in Sequoia Nation park in October. 4 team members were flown into the back country of Sequoia National Park for a 3 day mission. Because of weather, we were flown out after 1.5 days. The lost person is still listed as missing.
 We are cross training with different Search and Rescue teams and doing monthly trainings.
 Mike St. Clair - Team South

SEASON GOALS:

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Our goal this year is to join the Inyo County SAR team and Mono SAR team and climb Mt. Shasta in June. The skills we learn and apply are in line with what Cal OES wants and needs from us.
 Our big goal is to get as many members up to the type 1 status
 Mike St. Clair - Team South

ISSUES and RESOLUTIONS:

The big issue we have is not having enough members. We work with the MTR program to get new members. Also improving PR. We have a good reputation and plan on keeping by being the best trained team
 Mike St. Clair - Team South

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