



REPORT TO THE FAR WEST DIVISION
PROGRAM STATUS REPORT
 MID SEASON — FWD 2018 – 2019 RECAP
REPORT DUE FEBRUARY 16, 2019

PROGRAM: O E TRANSPORTATION

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Program Supervisors are not required to attend Winter Meeting, unless requested by Division Director

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SEASON HIGHLIGHTS TO DATE — total classes — total participants

Busy schedule - lots of snow. Lots of interest in the program.

Jan. 5 Snow Summit TTW/STW - event canceled while enroute.

Jan. 26 - invited to instruct at MT Snowbowl, Missoula, Montana 4 handle sled clinic with J. Weitz, PNW DPS, Travis Meikle, IMD DPS, and Marc Barlage NPD. NSP North covered travel and hotel expenses.

Feb. 09, rescheduled TTW and STW at Snow Valley, So. CA Region - fulfilling on snow CE requirement for those attending the Seal Beach pre-season ICE event - first ever pre-season ICE for So. CA! 20 Attendees.

Feb. 16-17, hosted new MLR OET Administrator Rob Maxim at DR for Womens clinic

Feb. 23-24 Senior Clinic at China Peak, Mother Lode Region.

March 13-15, Squaw Valley SC; March 16, tentative date for TES clinic at Mt. Shasta

March 29-April 1, Sugar Bowl Senior Clinic/evaluation.

April 4-6 Powderfall, Snowbird, Utah. April 3 - Team Transportation at Brighton, UT

May 31-June 2 PNW Nuts & Bolts toboggan clinic, Mt. Hood, OR

SEASON GOALS:

1. Stay safe, have fun, be careful.
2. Don't get anybody hurt.

ISSUES and RESOLUTIONS:

Area management at Big Bear Mountain Resorts (Alterra owns Snow Summit and Big Bear) canceled the scheduled Snow Summit event the day before it was scheduled to run. 20 students from around the SCA Region were scheduled to attend, and Division instructional staff was enroute from Redding and Salinas. The fallout from a severe lack of effective communication / poor relationship management is both troublesome and noteworthy. I was requested, by DD Lance Vaughan to participate in a conference call with several BBMR department managers to address several concerns they had with the volunteer NSP leadership and the future of NSP events at BBMR resorts. While many interesting comments were relayed to us, the frustration that area management feels with the current volunteer Patrol and Region management was conveyed directly and clearly. The FWD OET program will not operate any events at either Snow Summit or Big Bear until these management issues are resolved.

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