

Emergency Services Training Progress Report to the State Board of Education April 2003

1. Process
 - a. Created and met with a small task force to identify specific problems and possible solutions
 - b. Developed a series of models for addressing the issues identified
 - c. Met with statewide emergency services advisory committee to review models and recommend specific actions
 - d. Developed Action Plan
2. Action Plan Summary
 - a. Hazardous Materials Operations Curriculum
 - i. Bureau of Hazardous Materials will work to expedite completion of the curriculum
 - ii. Technician curriculum has been redone and is being delivered
 - b. Instructor qualifications
 - i. Advisory Council Subcommittee will finalize by June 1, 2003
 - ii. EST to:
 1. Develop suggested criteria for qualifying instructors by April 11, 2003.
 - a. Two Levels: State-Recognized and Non-Recognized
 - c. Curriculum Development
 - i. EST to:
 1. Develop a process for providing special courses through conferences
 - a. Submit to SBOE for approval for statewide use
 2. Establish subcommittee for curriculum review by May 15, 2003
 3. Update and publish the course catalog on an annual basis
 4. Research requirements by June 1, 2003 for possible IFSAC certification of Driver/Operator and Aerial Apparatus Operator
 5. Expedite curriculum development by reviewing existing packages for adoption in Idaho
 - ii. Fire Officers Training committee will review Fire Officer I curriculum and make recommendations for adoption of curriculum by May 1, 2003.
 - d. Training Delivery
 1. Improve coordination of training through the Workforce Training Network at the technical colleges
 - e. Communication
 - i. Training Officer's Division of the Idaho Fire Chiefs to work with small volunteer fire departments to increase their awareness and involvement in training opportunities in their local areas
 - ii. EST to:
 1. Develop travel plan by April 11, 2003 to target areas with low occurrence of documented fire service training
 2. Work with the Advisory Council to target site visits
 3. Partner with State Fire Marshal and Bureau of Disaster Services on communication projects that benefit the Idaho fire service community
 4. Continue to develop FAQ for use on website
3. Highlights
 - a. Idaho received a positive evaluation for its Fire Fighter I and II (to the NFPA 1001, 1997 Edition) from the reaccreditation team