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From: DSO-OP Stolz
Subject: Surface Response Report for September, 2019 Revised

Update message from BOSN Finkelson

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Update

BOSN Finkelson has reported that SAMA and Fuel funding looks good for the remainder of the year.

1. When not to wear USCGAUX marked PPE

I was very disappointed to learn that a kayaker was seen on national television during the Giants game wearing a Coast Guard Auxiliary life Jacket. If anyone knows who this was, please inform him or her that wearing Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) with Auxiliary Markings is not in accordance with policy under these circumstances.

Chapter 10, Sec. A.9 of the Auxiliary Manual, COMDINST M16790.1 (Series):

Auxiliarists may not wear any distinctive part of the uniform or official Auxiliary insignia with civilian clothing when not assigned to duty. This includes Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) that is marked with wording that includes, —USCG Auxiliary or any version thereof (e.g., life jackets, cold weather gear).

2. PPE Request

Just a reminder that Mike Brown handles PPE request and concerns. He can best be contacted by his email at m.brown.uscgaux@gmail.com. He will need to know your name, ID number, flotilla, size, etc.

3. PCA Advanced Coxswain Workshop

During the Fall PCA we are switching up the operations training with an Advanced Coxswain Workshop. Coxswains are the primary surface operation mentors and trainers so by helping them improve their skills should result in better trained future coxswains and crew members. The class will be taught by Qualification Examiners. Although the class is directed to current coxswains the class will be open to all levels of surface operations personnel from initial crew candidates to long time coxswains.

4. TCT vs Risk Management training

There seems to be some confusion with the terms or names TCT and Risk Management or even GAR 2.0. Most of the manuals including but not limited to the Auxiliary Boat Crew Qualification Guide's refer to the need to take TCT training.

If you have taken the online or classroom version of RM100202 training and have or will be taking the 4-hour refresher training, that fulfills the TCT requirement in the manuals. It will take some time for all of the references to TCT to be removed and replaced with what ever term is decided on.

5. Risk Management instructors

The great news is at the District has appointed instructors authorized to teach the Risk Management Refresher training. Basically, each division will have at least one qualified instructor. It will take a little time for instructors to prepare to teach but it will happen in the very near future. Take advantage of your earliest opportunity to take this training. All candidates for initial check-rides will be required to have the refresher training completed prior to their OPTREX in 2020.

6. AOM reminder

Please go into AOM and verify that you have completed and submitted all active patrol orders. This includes patrol orders that were never used and still need to be cancelled.

7. Congratulations to new crew members and PWO's

August has been a very productive month for OPTREX's. Please join me in congratulating the following new crew members: Cory Needings, Stephanei Needings, Anthony king, Bill Durden, Brian Ahsam, Bob Waterman, Earl Berg and Debbie Bernard. We also have two new PWO's (Personal Watercraft Operators): Anthony King and Karl Keller.

10 crew members and 10 coxswain members re-qualified in August.

4. OPTREX update

OPTREX Schedule 2019

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Date	Host	Check-ride date	Comments
September 21	Bear Lake, UT	September 21st	Location: Bear Lake, UT Contact: Mike Williams
September 27 - 30	Division 10	September 28 th	Location: Don Pedro Contact: Howard Ratzlaff
October 18 - 20	Flotilla 55	October 19 th	Location: Doran Beach Park, Bodega Bay Contact: Doug Twitchell
October 25-27	Flotilla 88	October 26th	CANCELLED

Consult the district calendar for additional or missing information shown on this schedule

Respectfully Submitted,