



# San Diego County Operational Area **NORTH ZONE**



**Training  
Update!**

Talkgroup Use Plan For  
The RCS 800MHz Reprogram

July 2009



## North Zone Agencies

- **The 800MHz reprogram is nearing in the North Zone Operational Area – July/August 2009**
- **The intent of this training is to inform all agencies in the North Zone of the Talkgroup Use Plan**
- **Due to the nature & process of reprogramming, agencies will have an interim talkgroup use plan to later be replaced by a final talkgroup use plan**



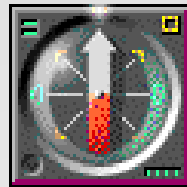
# North County Dispatch JPA

- In order to manage radio Talkgroup use more efficiently, the North Zone JPA will continue to be split into two distinct areas of operation.

## West Tactical Area

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**Carlsbad**                      **Encinitas**  
**Oceanside**                **Solana Beach**  
**Rancho Santa Fe**    **Del Mar**  
**Elfin Forest/Harmony Grove**



## East Tactical Area

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**Vista**            **San Marcos**  
**North County FPD**



# North Zone Agencies

- When reprogramming begins in the zone and until every radio is reprogrammed, agencies will need to utilize the Interim Talkgroup Use Plan
- To simplify the process, units that have NOT been reprogrammed will continue to utilize the same Talkgroups used in the past
  - Example: For a unit/radio that has NOT been reprogrammed, a structure fire in the North Comm West Tactical Area will be on NTAC 1 (TAC 1-Echo)
  - Escondido Example: For a unit/radio that has NOT been reprogrammed, a structure fire in Escondido will be on NTAC 5 (TAC 2-Echo)
- For units that HAVE been reprogrammed, you will utilize the new Talkgroup name
  - Example: For a unit/radio that HAS been reprogrammed, the same structure fire in the North Comm West Tactical Area will be on TAC 1-Echo (NTAC 1)
  - Escondido Example: For a unit/radio that HAS been reprogrammed, the same structure fire in Escondido will be on TAC 2-Echo (NTAC 5)





# North County Dispatch JPA

- **INTERIM TALKGROUP USE PLAN (WEST):**

- |                             |   |                |
|-----------------------------|---|----------------|
| ● Dispatch                  | = | DISP 1-Alpha   |
| ● Primary Command           | = | CMD 1-Bravo    |
| ● Primary Tactical          | = | TAC 1-Charlie  |
| ● Primary First Alarm CMD   | = | CMD 1-Delta    |
| ● Primary First Alarm TAC   | = | TAC 1-Echo     |
| ● Secondary First Alarm CMD | = | CMD 1-Juliet   |
| ● Secondary First Alarm TAC | = | TAC 1-Kilo     |
| ● Alternate TAC             | = | TAC 1-November |



# North County Dispatch JPA

- **INTERIM TALKGROUP USE PLAN (EAST):**
  - Dispatch = DISP 1-Alpha
  - Primary Command = CMD 1-Foxtrot
  - Primary Tactical = TAC 1-Golf
  - Primary First Alarm CMD = CMD 1-Hotel
  - Primary First Alarm TAC = TAC 1-India
  - Secondary First Alarm CMD = CMD 1-Lima
  - Secondary First Alarm TAC = TAC 1-Mike
  - Alternate TAC = NCM 2-November



# Escondido

- **INTERIM TALKGROUP USE PLAN (Escondido):**

- Dispatch = DISP 2-Alpha
- Primary Command = CMD 2-Bravo
- Primary Tactical = TAC 2-Charlie
- Primary First Alarm CMD = CMD 2-Delta
- Primary First Alarm TAC = TAC 2-Echo
- Secondary First Alarm CMD = CMD 2-Foxtrot
- Secondary First Alarm TAC = TAC 2-Golf



## North Zone Agencies

- Once all North Zone reprogramming is complete, agencies will transition to utilize the Final Talkgroup Use Plan
- For North Comm Agencies, the West Tactical Area will operate on Talkgroups 1-Bravo thru 1-Golf
- For North Comm Agencies, the East Tactical Area will operate on Talkgroups 1-Hotel thru 1-Mike
- The West & East Tactical Areas will share the use of TAC 1-November and TAC 1-Oscar
- Additional Talkgroups available for North Comm Agencies are NCM 2-Lima, NCM 2-Mike and NCM 2-November



# North County Dispatch JPA

## • FINAL TALKGROUP USE PLAN (WEST):

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|-----------------------------|---|----------------|
| • Dispatch                  | = | DISP 1-Alpha   |
| • Primary Command           | = | CMD 1-Bravo    |
| • Primary Tactical          | = | TAC 1-Charlie  |
| • Primary First Alarm CMD   | = | CMD 1-Delta    |
| • Primary First Alarm TAC   | = | TAC 1-Echo     |
| • Secondary First Alarm CMD | = | CMD 1-Foxtrot  |
| • Secondary First Alarm TAC | = | TAC 1-Golf     |
| • Alternate TAC             | = | TAC 1-November |
| • Alternate TAC             | = | TAC 1-Oscar    |
| • Emergency                 | = | 1-Papa NCM EMG |



# North County Dispatch JPA

- **FINAL TALKGROUP USE PLAN (EAST):**
  - Dispatch = DISP 1-Alpha
  - Primary Command = CMD 1-Hotel
  - Primary Tactical = TAC 1-India
  - Primary First Alarm CMD = CMD 1-Juliet
  - Primary First Alarm TAC = TAC 1-Kilo
  - Secondary First Alarm CMD = CMD 1-Lima
  - Secondary First Alarm TAC = TAC 1-Mike
  - Alternate TAC = TAC 1-November
  - Alternate TAC = TAC 1-Oscar
  - Emergency = 1-Papa NCM EMG



# Escondido

- **FINAL TALKGROUP USE PLAN (Escondido):**
  - Dispatch = DISP 2-Alpha
  - Primary Command = CMD 2-Bravo
  - Primary Tactical = TAC 2-Charlie
  - Alternate Command = CMD 2-Delta
  - Alternate Tactical = TAC 2-Echo
  - Primary First Alarm CMD = CMD 2-Hotel
  - Primary First Alarm TAC = TAC 2-India
  - Primary First Alarm TAC = TAC 2-Juliet
  - Secondary First Alarm CMD = CMD 2-Foxtrot
  - Secondary First Alarm TAC = TAC 2-Golf
  - Emergency = 2-Papa ESC EMG



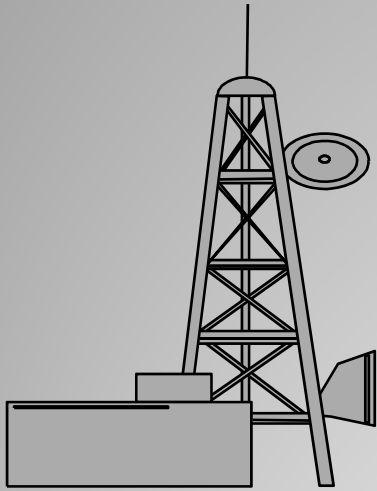
# North Zone Agencies

## Additional Talkgroup information:

- North Zone Travel Channel is currently NTAC 11. Once a unit/radio is reprogrammed, the Travel Channel will be TRVL 2-Kilo
- NCM 2-Lima, NCM 2-Mike, and NCM 2-November are additional Talkgroups available to North Comm resources as needed
- Four new Talkgroups available to North Zone Agencies are NZT 1, NZT 2, NZT 3, and NZT 4
  - NZT 1 and NZT 2 are Digital Talkgroups
  - NZT 3 and NZT 4 are Analog Talkgroups. *Note: NZT 4 designated for Escondido*
  - These Talkgroups are available for North Zone Agency use for training and training only-NOT TO BE USED ON ANY INCIDENTS!
  - These Talkgroups are not in the dispatch consoles (not monitored)
  - Departments are highly encouraged to utilize these Talkgroups for fire ground drills, training in pre-hospital radio reports, etc.



## By Way of Review



● The dispatch ("*RHO DISP / DISP 1 A*") Talkgroup will still be used for the dispatching of incidents.

**Remember!**



- "*RHO DISP / DISP 1 A*"
  - Incidents Announced
  - Conduct routine radio traffic w/Dispatch
- *NO UNIT-TO-UNIT OR UNIT-TO-STATION CONTACT* (use the Agency Tac).
- *IF ADDING YOURSELF TO AN INCIDENT TO WHICH YOU WERE NOT DISPATCHED, CONDUCT TRAFFIC ON THE ASSIGNED TALKGROUP FOR THAT INCIDENT*



## In Conclusion

*Understand that during the reprogramming process, you may encounter units on the same incident with different Talkgroup names in their radio display. This is the time to OVER COMMUNICATE!! Ensure all personnel know the Communications Plan (ICS 205) for your incident*

- Refer to conversion chart to determine OLD vs. NEW Talkgroups
- Remain flexible as we proceed through this process
- For any questions or concerns, please contact your department communications personnel
- You will all be notified when to utilize which Talkgroup Use Plan
- Stay Safe and REMEMBER...

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