Klickitat Interagency Fire Association

Jan 25,2017 held at Rural 7 Fire

Tony B called to order at 1902

**Rich Elliot-** Lower Columbia Regional Coordinator For MOB. He is Alan Walkers replacement as Alan is retiring.

Working on program to “Lend” resources between counties and get it reimbursed through state. Hoping it will be faster to get additional resources quicker.

MAPARS was discussed. Online statusing program for MOB resources. Should speed up resourcing for MOB.

Wildland Policy Group-hoping to influence decision makers nationawide.

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“Era of Mega fires” is a presentation at Hood River Fire in April.(date TBA)

**Rob Rising, PUD-** Wants to work on Education. Help understand how PUD responds. Work on communication. Wants to set up regional Q&A to discuss with districts.

**Bill Schmitt-** Appleton Fire day is April 22. Full wildland PPE required. Lunch provided(Brad is BBQing)DNR budget,

**Milan Walling-** DNR budget, 1 milion for last year for small district grants. Trying for same this year. There is a new fire commishioner. There is going to be hearings on what can the legislature do for volunteer Fire fighters.

**DNR Chad-** should be fully staffed again. Same SEATS and air support at DP again. Working on agreements for cost share with ODF.

Central WA training Academy- May 16-25. Gleed primary school. Free training, food, lodging, etc. Chad is head Honcho. There will be 13-15 classes per day.

Everyone will be getting new agreements to sign. Will be required to have a current one with resources going to MOBs

There is a new Red Card Request form( on website). Please get experience records in.

Jeff DEM/Dispatch- Request for Qualifications is out for a position. 30-40 hours per month, grant dependant.

Alternate frequency for lifeflight LZ ops isTAC1, but if not working then VTAC 11.

Adjourned at 2017

Next meeting-

Feb 22 @ Appleton Fire

March 22 @ DNR Goldendale

April 26 @ Goldendale Fire