



**To:** SCHMRT Members and Administrators  
**From:** Gerry Gray, Operations Director  
**Date:** April 29, 2011  
**Subject:** April 20, 2011 SCHMRT Drill Recap



*On April 20th, SCHMRT members made a Level A entry into the City of Mt. Shasta Waste Water Treatment plant to mitigate a simulated chlorine leak.*

### **DRILL RECAP**

As you might recall from past reports I had been planning to get the team into Siskiyou County for a drill for some time – I think most of the SCHMRT is relieved that I could not arrange this earlier in the winter with the greater potential for snow. Siskiyou County is one of our member counties and so I feel it's important to "take our show on the road" when we can.

On April 20<sup>th</sup> 34 members of the SCHMRT assembled for our monthly drill at the City of Mt. Shasta Waste Water Treatment Plant. Shasta County Fire, CalFire, Redding Fire, CHP, Red Bluff Fire, and Siskiyou County Public Health were all represented on the team.

Scenario for the day was “Unknown substance leaking from the storage room at the plant.” Typical of most waste water treatment plants, the City of Mt. Shasta plant contains both 1-ton cylinders of Chlorine (to sterilize) and Sulfur Dioxide (to de-chlorinate). Not knowing exactly what was leaking, our entry teams were prepared for both possibilities: B-kit application with both Cl<sub>2</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> gaskets. In Level A suits, the process of installing a B-Kit can be challenging, but the “leak” was mitigated in short order by our crew.

Our primary objective during this drill was to setup a full-blown Level A entry and fill all applicable ICS positions to support the entry; secondary objective was to get “suit time” for some of our newest members. Both objectives accomplished.



Our appreciation to Mt. Shasta City Manager Ted Marconi, Public Works Director Rod Bryan, and Plant Supervisor Jackie Brown (and staff). All were wonderful hosts in accommodating the SCHMRT at their facility and taking time to observe the operation. Mr. Brown and his staff took extra time out of their day to give us a tour of the entire facility and also review the procedures for removing the automatic shutoff valves on their 1-ton cylinders.

Cheers to the Mt. Shasta Fire Department for providing us with the air support to fill our SCBAs. Thank you City of Mt. Shasta!

SCHMRT Administrators also traveled to the City of Mt. Shasta Waste Water Treatment Plant on this same day as our drill to hold the quarterly Administrator’s Meeting and also watch the SCHMRT in action.

### TEAM TYPING

I am pleased to announce that the Team Typing effort continues to move forward. This has been a very involved project which will lead to an audit by the State of California for the purposes of recognizing the SCHMRT as a “Level II” hazardous materials response team. Most of the necessary equipment has been ordered and much of it has already arrived. In the near future we will switch gears on our SCHMRT training and spend a few months becoming familiar with all of the new equipment (some in photo on right).



The actual audit dates have not yet been established, but I anticipate that I will be requesting these from CalEMA in the not-too-distant future.

The Team Typing project has truly been a team effort, but I really wish to spotlight a couple of SCHMRT members from the RFD: Captain Rik Valles and Engineer Mike Blair – they both have been instrumental in assisting me in this process. Thank you.

### SUIT TESTING

As previously noted, the annual suit testing has been completed by RFD Captain Oliphant. A number of aging Level A suits did not pass the test and were removed from circulation. We are low on our current level A suit inventory, but have already started to receive a number of new A suits as part of the Team Typing program.

### DRIVER QUALIFICATION PROGRAM

RFD Captain Matt Oliphant is working on a driver/operator qualification program for SCHMRT members and HM-24. Matt is currently one of the primary fire engine driver instructors in the RFD and is working to configure a similar program for HM-24 operations. Thank you again Matt.

### TEAM RECAP

*Reminder:* SCHMRT Administrators Meeting July 14, 2011 at 0930 hrs at SHU CalFire in Redding.

Welcome to new SCHMRT member Zach Hollister from LMU.

*Next SCHMRT Drill: May 18, 2011 at 0900 hrs.  
Scheduled for the Redding Stillwater Waste Water Treatment Plant.*

### **GENERAL**

#### 1. Workgroup Leaders/Managers:

- Clint Swensen: SCBAs
- Kevin Ward: Documents and Forms
- Cyndi Freeman: Member Records
- **Vacant:** Suits and Suit Maintenance (thanks for help Matt!)
- Rob Pitt: Inventory Management
- **Vacant:** Equipment & Tools Management
- Kyle Johnson: Communications Equipment
- Rik Valles: Technical Reference
- Scott Packwood: HM-24 Apparatus Issues

The Team Leaders are those individuals who continue to make things happen on this team. It is truly a thankless job, but I do want to take a moment and thank each and every one of the SCHMRT Workgroup Leaders and encourage them to continue in their assignments.

2. SCHMRT.ORG:

Reminder to visit the team website at [www.schmrt.org](http://www.schmrt.org) regularly for updates.

3. SCHMRT Incident Log:

You will notice that I have included a YTD SCHMRT incident log in this report. This is a record of incidents (large & small) that were mitigated with the assistance of SCHMRT members. I feel it is important to understand that the SCHMRT is not only prepared for the "large incident" but we are ready to render technical assistance on any hazardous materials incident. Thank you to team members for forwarding incident reports.

*On April 22, I investigated a report of "lye" on the RR tracks. No further SCHMRT activation needed; product mitigated by rain.*

As always, I am available for any questions and/or comments about the SCHMRT.

*Gerry*

**Next SCHMRT drill:**

**Wed, May 18 Drill: Stillwater Treatment Plant**  
**Start at 0900 hrs** 6475 Airport Rd., Redding, CA 96002





# 2011 SCHMRT INCIDENT LOG

SCHMRT Incident Number	AGENCY Incident Number	Date	Substance	Incident Location	SCHMRT Member	ACTIVATION LEVEL*
2011-01	CHP	11-Jan-11	Hydrazine, Anhydrous	I-5 at SR 273	Boyes	2
2011-02	TGU 00430	17-Jan-11	Gasoline (UN 1203)	Hwy 99E X Vina RD, TGU	Vance	1
2011-03	TGU 00605	25-Jan-11	Mercury	Lake California (roadway)	Emerick	1
2011-04	CHP	19-Jan-11	Misc Products	NB I-5 Fawndale Onramp	Rickard	1
2011-05	SKU	28-Jan-11	False Call	CHP Scales - Dunsmuir	Quigley	1
2011-06	RFD 00958	1-Feb-11	"White Powder"	Hartnell Ave, Redding	Gray	1
2011-07	CHP	14-Feb-11	"Yellow Powder"	Wilson Hill Rd	Rickard	1
2011-08	CHP	17-Feb-11	Diesel	I-5 at Dog Creek	Joiner	1
2011-09	UPRR	22-Apr-11	"Lye"	RR Right of Way	Gray	1

\*Activation Levels: 1 = Local SCHMRT response 2 = Full Team Activation 3 = Multiple HM Teams

SCHMRT ATTENDANCE -- City of Mt. Shasta April 2011

SIGNATURE

Freeman, Cyndi	MFPD	<i>Cyndi Freeman</i>
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Ciapponi, Nick	CDF/SHU	<i>Nick Ciapponi</i>
Corn, Scott	CDF/SHU	<i>Scott Corn</i>
Ferris, Kyle	CDF/SHU	<i>Kyle Ferris</i>
Haker, Jeromy	CDF/SHU	<i>Jeromy Haker</i>
Johnson, Kyle	CDF/SHU	<i>Kyle Johnson</i>
Lazzari, Dustin	CDF/SHU	<i>Dustin Lazzari</i>
Reginatto, Corado	CDF/SHU	<i>Corado Reginatto</i>
Reiling, Andy	CDF/SHU	<i>Andy Reiling</i>
Swensen, Clint	CDF/SHU	
Tavalero, Greg	CDF/SHU	<i>Greg Tavalero</i>
Whitehurst, Tim	CDF/SHU	
Velin, Troy	CDF/SHU	<i>Troy Velin</i>

Emerick, Andrew	CDF/TGU	<i>Sick leave</i>
Stroing, Tom	CDF/TGU	<i>Tom Stroing</i>
Trull, Gabriel	CDF/TGU	<i>Gabriel Trull</i>
Vance, Byron	CDF/TGU	<i>Byron Vance</i>
Lazarich, Sam	CDF/TGU	<i>Sam Lazarich</i>

Packwood, Scott	CDF/LMU	<i>Scott Packwood</i>
Martin, Doug	CDF/LMU	<i>Doug Martin</i>

<i>Hollister Zach</i>	<i>LMU</i>	<i>Zach Hollister</i>
Wallace, Todd	CDF/SKU	
Quigley, Darin	CDF/SKU	
Dean, Rick	SISKIYOU CO	<i>Rick Dean</i>

Anderson, Mike	RFD	
Blair, Mike	RFD	
Bryant, Jim	RFD	<i>Jim Bryant</i>
Coleman, Sean	RFD	<i>Sean Coleman</i>
Eiler, Gary	RFD	<i>Gary Eiler</i>

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Foley, Jason	RFD	
Gould, Mike	RFD	<i>u J Gould</i>
Gray, Gerry	RFD	<i>Gray</i>
Harvey, Jamie	RFD	
Howard, Steve	RFD	<i>Steve Howard</i>
Jentzen, Dan	RFD	<i>D. Jentzen</i>
Krznarich, Ron	RFD	<i>Ron Krznarich</i>
Martin, Craig	RFD	
McFaul, Ross	RFD	<i>Ross McFaul</i>
McMurtrey, Eric	RFD	<i>Eric McMurtrey</i>
Nardo, Ryan	RFD	
Oliphant, Matthew	RFD	
Pitt, Rob	RFD	
Plummer, Shawn	RFD	
Sawyer, Mike	RFD	<i>Mike Sawyer</i>
Smith, Tim	RFD	
Schreiber, Lonnie	RFD	<i>Lonnie Schreiber (Gray)</i>
Snow, Jayson	RFD	
Stoke, Jeremy	RFD	<i>Jeremy Stoke</i>
Utveck, Ron	RFD	
Valles, Rik	RFD	
Ward, Kevin	RFD	

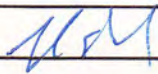
Rogers, Adrian	SLC	
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Shobash, Matthew	RBFD	<i>Matthew Shobash</i>
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Fincher, Howard	AFD	
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Zufall, John	SCSO	
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Boyes, Bill	CHP	
Hildebrand, Kevin	CHP	
Joiner, Steve	CHP	

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Rickard, Ken	CHP	
Ross, Greg	CHP	
Scott, Jim	CHP	