



**To:** SCHMRT Members and Administrators  
**From:** Gerry Gray, Operations Director  
**Date:** June 30, 2011  
**Subject:** June 15, 2011 SCHMRT Drill Recap



*Our new Level A suit standard is the OneSuit (Flash) which provides chemical protection to a larger variety of chemicals and offers flash protection as well. More protection is always good, but the suit is heavier and hotter to work in.*

## **DRILL RECAP**

*Note: my apologies for the late SCHMRT report; been busy.*

On June 15<sup>th</sup>, 34 members of the SCHMRT assembled for our monthly drill at Redding Fire Station 8. Shasta County Fire, CalFire, Redding Fire, CHP, Shasta Lake City Fire Protection District, Red Bluff Fire, and Siskiyou County Public Health were all represented during this drill.

Objective of the month was to orient the team to new equipment that has arrived as part of the Team Typing project. New suit styles (Level A OneSuit

Flash), new tools, new equipment were all involved in this training. Additionally, we setup a chemical identification station so that all of our members can work with the HazCat and Heinz kits.



*Team is engaged in "HazCating" here: the process of identifying unknown chemical substances using chemical ID kits.*



*One of the newest additions to the team is the pneumatic Vetter equipment from Germany (no other manufacturer for this specialized equipment in the world). These tools will patch and plug leaking containers from the very small size to railcar dimensions using compressed air (foot pump). As with all of our other purchases, this is required equipment for the CalEMA Team Typing project.*

## TEAM TYPING

We have expended the funds from one of the Shasta County grants on the purchase of essential equipment for the Team Typing project. We are half way through the second and final Shasta County grant right now. I have not yet contacted Chief Jan Dunbar at CalEMA for our Team Typing audit; but hope to do so soon.

The Team Typing project has 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.

## TEAM RECAP

**PLEASE NOTE THAT HM-24 IS AVAILABLE FROM REDDING FIRE STATION 5 (HARTNELL AVE).**

*Reminder:* SCHMRT Administrators Meeting July 21, 2011 at 0930 hrs at SHU CalFire in Redding.

Our next drill on July 20<sup>th</sup> will return to RFD Station 8 at 0900 hrs so that we may continue to explore new equipment and gear.

On August 17<sup>th</sup> we will leave the valley heat a bit and travel up to Trinity County for a Level A exercise (thank you Larry Masterman for hosting this!)

On September 21<sup>st</sup> we plan to take the team to the Clear Creek Community Service District Wastewater Treatment Plant near Whiskeytown Dam (thank you Skip Born for hosting this!) Truthfully, I was unaware this treatment plant existed until Skip contacted me...very much looking forward to the visit.

LMU Captain Doug Martin is working some more wonders for the team in the form of Level B training props (complete with compressed air fixtures for realism). Thank you Doug (I'm still looking for a training B Kit for you).

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.

RFD Captain Mike Gould continues to ensure that all of our radiological equipment is in top shape. Over the next few weeks we will be sending off some detectors and dosimeters for calibration and maintenance. Mike will ensure that we phase this project so we are not left empty-handed with no RAD equipment. Thank you Mike.

Our Communications Workgroup Leader, SHU Captain Kyle Johnson, has devised a sound plan for our continued operation with the team's portable radios and narrow banding challenges. Additionally, we have purchased six (6) new "intrinsically safe" portable radios as part of the Team Typing project. Thank you Kyle.

LMU/Susanville folks moving along in plans to rebuild their decontamination team and possibly place additional members on SCHMRT. I recently traveled to Susanville to assist in the effort; we look forward to their continued participation.

Through our Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) we have secured a Haz Mat IC class here in Redding. The two-day class will likely be held in Feb, 2012. At this point I am uncertain if this class will be grant funded or not as a result of the state budget cuts. More info as it becomes available.

SCHMRT Team welcome to new member: TGU Captain Sean O'hara.

Chief Mike Hebrard: Thank you for the years of service to the team. Your support and leadership is very much appreciated.

SHU Battalion Chief Andy Reiling has been appointed as the new SCHMRT Program Manager. Andy has been a member on the SCHMRT nearly since the inception of the team. Welcome aboard in your new capacity Andy.

### ***GENERAL***

#### 1. Workgroup Leaders/Managers:

- Clint Swensen: SCBAs
- Kevin Ward: Documents and Forms
- Cyndi Freeman: Member Records
- **Vacant**: Suits and Suit Maintenance
- 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.

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

*Gerry*

**Next SCHMRT drill:**

**Wed, July 20, 2011 New Equipment Training**  
**Start at 0900hrs: Redding Fire Station 5**

# 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	Lime	RR Right of Way	Gray	1
2011-10	Rbfd 1146	28-May-11	Misc Polymers	Off Hwy 36W & Monroe St	Emerick	1
2011-11	CHP/SHU	31-May-11	Resin/Peroxide	I-5 South of Vollmers	Rickard	1
2011-12	SCSO	28-Jun-11	Sodium Cyanide	Shasta Co Coroner's Office	Zufall	1

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

# SCHMRT DRILL ATTENDANCE ROSTER 2011

MEMBER	AGENCY	CREDITS	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	LEGEND
Freeman, Cyndi	MFPD	3	1		1	1									1 Credit/Drill
															Work or Incident
Ciapponi, Nick	CDF/SHU	5	1		1	1	1	1							Drill Cancelled
Corn, Scott	CDF/SHU	5	1		1	1	1	1							Vacation
Ferris, Kyle	CDF/SHU	4	1		1	1		1							Sick/Injury
Haker, Jeromy	CDF/SHU	5	1		1	1	1	1							Other Training
Johnson, Kyle	CDF/SHU	5	1		1	1	1	1							Not Member
Lazzari, Dustin	CDF/SHU	4			1	1	1	1							Updated 05/20/2011
Reginatto, Corado	CDF/SHU	4	1		1	1	1								
Reiling, Andy	CDF/SHU	5	1		1	1	1	1							
Swensen, Clint	CDF/SHU	2	1		1										Drill Dates: 01/19/2011 02/16/2001 03/16/2011 04/20/2011 05/18/2011 06/15/2011
Tavalero, Greg	CDF/SHU	4	1		1	1	1								
Whitehurst, Tim	CDF/SHU	4	1		1		1	1							
Velin, Troy	CDF/SHU	4	1		1	1	1								
Emerick, Andrew	CDF/TGU	4	1		1		1	1							
Stroing, Tom	CDF/TGU	4	1		1	1		1							
Trull, Gabriel	CDF/TGU	5	1		1	1	1	1							
Vance, Byron	CDF/TGU	3	1		1	1									
Lazarich, Sam	CDF/TGU	3			1	1	1								
O'hara, Sean	CDF/TGU	1						1							
Packwood, Scott	CDF/LMU	3	1		1	1									
Hollister, Zach	CDF/LMU	2				1	1								
Martin, Doug	CDF/LMU	4	1		1	1		1							
Wallace, Todd	CDF/SKU	3	1		1			1							
Quigley, Darin	CDF/SKU	1			1										
Dean, Rick	SISKIYOU CO	5	1		1	1	1	1							
Anderson, Mike	RFD	3	1		1		1								
Blair, Mike	RFD	4	1		1		1	1							
Bryant, Jim	RFD	3				1	1	1							
Coleman, Sean	RFD	5	1		1	1	1	1							
Eiler, Gary	RFD	3			1	1	1								

