

2005 Boy Scout Jamboree Update

Attended the first planning meeting on March 1, 2003 of the newly formed Public Safety Group under BSA for the Jamboree at A.P. Hill.

Key personnel that we will be working with in 2005 were introduced: VDEM, Virginia State Police, Security, Fire, Risk Management and BSA Health & Safety.

The group had an overview of the 2001 Jamboree and looked at after-action reports. Several areas were identified as needing attention in planning for 2005. The plan currently is for the installation at A.P. Hill to be open to the public unless conditions change. The BSA will indicate in their publication that closing the installation to the public is an option. They are working with DMOS (Directorate of Military Support) to determine if the 2005 NSJ will be designated as a National Security Event. Other issues discussed:

VDEM

- Communications
- EOC Operations and Location
- Evacuation Plan
- Haz Mat Teams

REMS Council

- Off-site Transportation
- Ambulance Routes
- Interface with BSA Med Tents and Staff
- Pharmacy Logistics
- Medical Control/Protocols
- Medical Stock/Supply
- Housing

Security

- Communications
- Traffic Control, Parking and Flow
- Access Control (Search of Vehicles)
- Signs
- Improved Maps

A follow up planning meeting is being scheduled. Myself and Doug Boggs will continue to actively work with the Public Safety Group as we make plans for 2005.

Rappahannock-Rapidan Emergency Preparedness Task Force

Began attending meetings of this group – so far there have been two meetings. They have completed their Small Pox Plan and are working on the NPS Plan. Looking at a lot of the same issues as the Rappahannock Health District. They hope to be in Phase II (EMS Vaccination Plan) as early as May 2003 in the Rappahannock-Rapidan Health District. They have already begun education programs for the EMS community. They are also working on a public information campaign with Lucy Caldwell from VDH.

Anthrax Case Review

Working with Joe Saitta from Rappahannock Health District to host a review with those agencies involved in last year's local anthrax cases – a critique of sorts, hopefully to plan for the future and see what lessons can be learned. The meeting will be held at the REMS Council Training Center in late April. We are looking for a facilitator.