

Activity I.D. No.: _____



Los Angeles County Operational Area Disaster Communications Service

After Action Report (AAR)

District: 17 - Lomita

Date: 09-03-2009

Activity: "PV Incident" (LACoFD incident name for a 230-acre brush fire in the cities of Rancho Palos Verdes and Rolling Hills)

Date of Event: 08-27-2009 **Time:** 2215

To Date: 08-28-2009

Time: 1335

Number of DCS Members: 10

Hours:

Please Attach A Copy of the Sign-In Sheet

DCS Incident Commander: Diana Feinberg, T-001

Net Control Operator(s): Deane Bouvier, T-002

DCS Safety Officer(s): Diana Feinberg, T-001

Command Post Locations / Addresses : **A.** 550 Deep Valley Drive, Rolling Hills Estates (from 2215 hours, 8-27-2009, to 0045 hours, 8-28-2009; **B.** St. John Fisher Church parking lot, Crest Rd. & Crenshaw Blvd., Rancho Palos Verdes (from 0045-0640 hours and 0945-1335 hours.) [Note: Initial deactivation was at 0640 hours, but reactivated at 0945 hours at request of L.A. Co. Fire Battalion 14 Chief Flores to resume reporting weather conditions to incident command post from the east edge of fire zone.]

Purpose of Activity: Support for Lomita Sheriff's station and L.A. County Fire Department during 230-acre nighttime brush fire in Rancho Palos Verdes and Rolling Hills resulting in evacuation of 1,200 residents and unspecified number of horses.

Who Requested DCS? Name: Lt. Stuckey, Watch Commander

Agency: LASD-Lomita Station

Overview of the Event / How Was DCS Used: Blocked & re-directed vehicle traffic at major intersection; provided weather conditions (temperature, wind, changes in humidity, any indications of "glowing" or smoke) every 15 minutes via amateur radio from east edge of fire zone to LA Co. Fire Department battalion chief at the St. John Fisher Church incident command post. Also, staffed Lomita station DCS room, Rancho Palos Verdes EOC, and both incident command posts. Had some staffing at ICP on stand-by for additional situations.

Suggestions / Issues: If more of our members had taken the traffic control class, we could have provided more assistance. The Station 17 DCS coordinator was on an approved vacation the week of the incident; our activation probably would have been an hour sooner had he been in town.

Equipment / Modes of Communications Used: 2-meter repeater, 220 simplex, and 440 repeater; HT radios owned by members, plus equipment at Station 17 and Rancho Palos Verdes EOC.

Other Agencies Involved: LASD, L.A. County Fire Department, Palos Verdes Estates PD (via their NART organization), City of Rancho Palos Verdes, City of Rolling Hills

Prepared By: Diana Feinberg, T-001

Date: 09-03-2009

Approvals:

DCO: Diana Feinberg T-001

Date: 09-03-2009

Executive Staff Officer Approvals:

Staff 10, 11 or 12:

Date:

Staff 1 or 2:

Date:

After Action Reports are to be submitted to the Executive Staff no later than 10 working days after the Event / Incident

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