From: Commander, NYS Military Emergency Boat Service



Subj: OPSUM 17 NOV 2023 MEBS PROGRAM

The link to the MEBS LOG APP is https://www.jotform.com/app/build/222037196822152

The following is the status of the New York State Military Emergency Boat Service

1) ADMINISTRATION:

a. Vantage Robotics has received the purchase order for the Vesper drone bundle. They are processing the request.

b. All MEBS personnel are required to have a copy of their driver license on file with us. Each member is entered into the NYS LENS system, as required by DMNA regulation. If you have not submitted a copy of your driver license to the MEBS N4 shop, do so ASAP. You are not authorized to drive a MEBS vehicle without being entered into LENS.

c. When fueling MEBS boats, submit the receipt and BOAT FUEL R1 form through MEBS LOG. Do not use the regular R1 for boat fuel purchases.

d. Recent update to administrative chain of command. CAPT Pete Marghella has relieved CAPT MaryLynn Marrese as Commander of NYNM SOUTHCOM.

e. Upcoming events: (new events highlighted)

 21 & 22 NOV23: Verizon Reveal technicians will replace malfunctioning tracking devices on PB 301, PB 300, PB 220, and PB 221.

- ii. <u>30N</u>OV23: Western NY Area Maritime Security Committee Mtg; Lockport (Dutcher, Gerard)
- iii. 9DEC23: NY Military Ball; West Point

2) INFORMATION: N/A

- 3) OPERATIONS:
 - a. Readiness Rating:

MEBS Readiness Ra	Minimum Standard	Actual	Rating	Goal	
Person <mark>nel Ce</mark> nsus	P-Rating	90	80	2	120 MEBS Members
Perso <mark>nnel S</mark> taff	S-Rating	7	12	1	13 Key Staff
Training Qualifications	Q-Rating	30	31	1	45 Qualified Coxswains
Training Proficiency	T1-Rating	126	90	2	240 Proficiency Mandays (2/member/year)
Additional Training	T2-Rating	90%	78.30%	2	Basic Course, Towing Cert., UECO, and +
Communications Reliability	K-Rating	90%	94.89%	1	100% Functionality
Equipment Maintenance	E-Rating	90%	94.35%	1	100% Operational
Equipment Vehicle Quantity	V-Rating	11	9	2	11 Trucks





Overall Readiness R-RATING

Date:

17-Nov-23

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b. JTFES Naval Det activity for the past week:

i. DET 1 Indian Point Activity: Federal Safety and Security Zone Patrol/Lower Hudson River Patrol.

ii. DET 2 Staten Island Activity: Support to USCG Sector NY.

iii. DET 3 Jones Beach Activity: Support to JTFES and USCG Sector NY.

4) LOGISTICS:

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a. The parts to modify and correct the LC 351 trailer have been shipped and are expected to arrive in Leeds on 24NOV23.

b. Maintenance issues:

250 hour servicing was completed on PB400 yesterday by N4 shop.

Truck#09 and PB300 series trailer was placed at Camp Smith to support in-field haul out/maintenance requirements. Mercury Parts and Fluids onboard Truck#09 to support Southcom/JTFES MEBS assets.

Warranty work was completed on LC351. Other issues addressed included repair of fresh water flushing port.

We will return to this boat in a month or so to perform 100 hour serving (400 hour total). However, of concern is the PORT motor is losing oil around and under the fly wheel. This has been traced to be the cause of the low oil pressure alerts and cause for the crew to have to continue topping off the oil for that motor.

- I will do some research tomorrow regarding this fail point and determine if it is a seal or something else. I will be contacting Mercury Marine regarding this issue.

TBD - Return to Jones Beach with Truck#08 and "Completed LC351" once the parts arrive in Leeds and we can install them. Note: Det 3 has very limited storage space and having Truck#08 onsite will permit the crew additional storage they do not currently have.

If Mercury determines we need to return LC351 to the shop and take it apart to determine the failure part and effect repairs to ensure oil leakage is stopped, blow-by issue is resolved - We'll either need to put LC350 back on mission or backup DET 3 with PB301.

SFY 2023-24 Expenditures to date:

Cost Area	Cost		
General	\$2,141.16		
Boat Maintenance	\$123,589.83		
Truck Maintenance	\$1,635.24		
Trailer Maintenance	\$1,204.86		
Travel/Per Diem	\$19,447.15		
Boat Gasoline	\$13,118.83		
Truck Diesel	\$5,568.03		









Major Acquisition	\$254,387.36		
Grants Reimbursement	-\$52,061.39		
Total	\$369,031.07		
Available:	\$76,063.81		

d. Boat, Truck and Trailer Status / Locations:

<u>Bow /</u> <u>Bumper #</u>	<u>Boat /</u> <u>Vehicle</u>	Location	<u>Status</u>	<u>Mission</u>	<u>Comments</u>
PB 220	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 221	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 230	Patrol Boat	Coxsackie	FMC	Training	Ready, in water.
PB 280	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 281	Patrol B <mark>oat</mark>	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 300	Patrol Boat	Leeds	NMC	Maintenance	Port engine oil seal replacement and lower ends blown. ETR tbd
PB 301	P <mark>atrol B</mark> oat	Verplanck	FMC	JTFES DET 1	Ready <mark>, in wa</mark> ter.
LC 350	Landing Craft	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
LC 351	Landing Craft	Jones Beach	FMC	JTFES DET 3	Ready, in water.
PB 400	Patrol Boat	Verplanck	FMC	JTFES DET	Ready, in water.
PB 440	Patrol Boat	Staten Island	FMC	JTFES DET 2	Ready, in water.
F350-5 <mark>274</mark>	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F350- <mark>5275</mark>	Prime Mover	Camp Smith	FMC	N/A	Ready
F35 <mark>0-5327</mark>	Prime Mover	Webster	FMC	N/A	Ready
F3 <mark>50-53</mark> 29	Prime Mover	Webster	FMC	N/A	Ready
F <mark>350-5</mark> 339	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
<mark>F350-</mark> 5340	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F350-5619	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F550-5008	Prime Mover	Leeds	PMC	N/A	Ready. No long- range tows.
F550-5009	Prime Mover	Camp Smith	FMC	N/A	Ready
CT 8901	Cargo Trailer	Staten Island	FMC	N/A	Ready
CP 8902	C2 Trailer	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
MT 8903	Maint Trailer	Leeds	FMC	NA	Ready

5) PLANNING AND EXERCISES.

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The below describes a proposal to change up how we do MEBS in WESTCOM. We have been promulgating the MEBS Kickoff for 2024 in late March. However, there is a conflict with Easter. A new idea is to hold a regional kick-off in Buffalo on the weekend of 6-7 APR 24, hopefully at the Navy Reserve Center on Porter Ave. This will likely also be their drill weekend. Both PB 280 and PB 281 would be delivered to Buffalo for the season. Also a consideration, is the solar eclipse on Monday, 8 APR which will affect the Buffalo area, and CAPT Kuperman has expressed his security concerns over. This approach will minimize lodging costs and travel for WESTCOM.

Specifically:

1. An earlier start to the season, now early April

2. Having both PB 280 and PB 281 in the Buffalo area. Obviously, this means that Rochester/Lake Ontario does not have a boat asset assigned. This is a calculated decision.

3. Holding a regional Kick-off Weekend, in Buffalo rather than in Leeds. This Kick-off to take place on 6-7 APR 2024. (We would hold a separate kick off for SouthCom some where on Long Island at a different time.)

We have spoken with CDR Dan Ciullo, CO at NRC Buffalo who is very enthusiastic about MEBS getting back into NRC Buffalo. (FYI, we currently have no drilling members from NRC Buffalo in MEBS.) He also provided the following updates:

1. The ACU-2 utility boats will likely go in the water for the 2024 season, but will go away permanently in 2025.

2. We should have no problem keeping one or two boats on a trailer at NRC Buffalo. We could also keep a boat on a trailer at the USCG Station on Fuhrmann Blvd. While there is room for the boats in the water at the NRC, they are not as protected as where the utility boats are currently docked.

3. CDR Ciullo will likely have a change of command ceremony on Saturday, 6 APR 24.

4. If we can hold our WESTCOM kickoff at the NRC, we can also rope in some interest from drilling reservists, especially from those 40-50 members of ACU 2 who will soon have no other boats to operate in Buffalo.

This proposal is not set in stone. However, the intent of this proposed training plan is to maximize the utility of our boats in WESTCOM. The fact is, we just have a lot more people closer to Buffalo and very few that are near Rochester. Not only do we want to maximize the proficiency training of our current MEBS members, but also to get the new blood coming in also.

6) COMMUNICATIONS. N/A

7) TRAINING. N/A



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