US&R REGIONAL TASK FORCE 4

Advance Team Checklist

Recon Team & (TFL, ASO, STM and HMS can include RTM)

**ENROUTE**

- □ Respond on a repeated radio channel
- □ Report back to RTF-4 on road and traffic conditions
- □ Request K9 and Structural Specialist through JPCC and Region 1
- □ Discuss on scene responsibilities prior to arrival. See below...

**ON SCENE**

- □ TFL - meet with Agency Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) if applicable. Ask questions regarding
  area Type of buildings, construction, areas of high victim probability, Haz Mat facilities,
  schools, churches, day care etc...
- □ TFL - develop communications plan. Minimum (2) channels possibly more.
- □ TFL - establish branches and leaders for each. US&R, Medical, Haz Mat, etc...
- □ TFL- Identify geographical boundaries
- □ TFL - Identify Base of Operations (BoO) and communicate this information to RTF-4 on
  the travel channel. See additional checklist for BoO implementation.
- □ Recon - fast pace “lay of the land” No rescue or contact. Recon should take 5 minutes on
  a large commercial building. An entire block may take 15 to 20. Use a vehicle if available
- □ Recon -No building markings or victim removal
- □ Recon -Draw a map of assigned area at the BoO
- □ Recon -Mark locations with GPS
- □ Recon -Identify highest probability of victim area(s). If no victims seen or heard, start a
  primary there. If victims confirmed, start a secondary search there
- □ STM / RTM identify shoring and equipment needed for search and rescue
- □ HMS checks for ALL hazards and IDENTIFIES lock/out, tag/out of all utilities