



Marine Safety Unit Pittsburgh Maritime Search and Rescue Forum



Monday, June 2, 2014
Heinz Field

Forum Overview:

This forum will be an opportunity for field personnel to share best practices and techniques when responding to persons in distress within the maritime environment. Federal, state and local agencies will provide presentations and facilitate discussions regarding rescue capabilities; boat crew personal floatation devices; response actions for persons in the water, adrift or derelict vessels; body recovery procedures; recreational boating safety; and pyrotechnics. A waterside demonstration in the afternoon will be conducted by USCG and Pittsburgh PD River Rescue. These demonstrations will include Towing, Small Boat Handling, and a Man Overboard Exercise.

Attendees:

This event is open to Federal, State, regional, and local government agencies (i.e. Emergency Management, Rescue, Fire, Emergency Medical, and Law Enforcement) that are responsible for responding to maritime search and rescue on the Western Rivers.

Potential Speakers:

Conference speakers will include senior officials and first-responders from Federal, State, regional, and local agencies.

Special Notes:

Space will be available for 100-150 attendees. Registration must be received by May 26, 2014. Lunch will be provided by Region 13. Lodging and travel arrangements/expenses are the responsibility of the attendees.

For More Information Contact:

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AGENDA

Monday June 02, 2014

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| 0830-0900 | Arrival – Sign In |
| 0900-0915 | Opening Remarks
Commander Weaver, MSU Pittsburgh, Chief Alvin Henderson, Region 13 |
| 0915-0930 | Forum Expectations/Forum Agenda
Ensign Ferraro & BM1 Fleisher, MSU Pittsburgh |
| 0930-1000 | Region 13 (Capabilities and Assets)
Chief Alvin Henderson |
| 1000-1030 | PA Fish and Boat (LE Capabilities)
Officer Michael E. Johnson |
| 1030-1045 | Break |
| 1045-1115 | River Rescue (Dive Operations/SAR Capabilities)
Chief Richard Linn |
| 1115-1145 | Diving and Marine Services Group (Side Scan Sonar)
Captain Robert Shema |
| 1145-1300 | Lunch |
| 1300-1330 | Beaver County Task Force
Officer Jim DeGori |
| 1330- 1415 | Waterside (Agency Assets Familiarization) |
| 1415-1500 | Waterside Operations (USCG/River Rescue) |
| 1530-1600 | SAR Forum Critiques |
| 1600 | Adjourn |