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**Re: Recommendation LOG 13-02 – US&R Vehicle Convoy Standard - DRAFT
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The following recommendation, attached US&R Vehicle Convoy Standard and related attached documents have been developed by the Logistics Work Group under the direction of the US&R Operations Group Chair and National US&R Program Office.

ISSUE STATEMENT

The Logistics Work Group was instructed to review US&R work develop guidance for the purchase, replacement, and disposal of task force fleet vehicles and support units.

GENERAL BACKGROUND

- Directive 2011-014 – US&R Convoy Standard was implemented in 2011 and is required to be reviewed and updated based on operational requirements due to the addition of the Water Operations component to US&R Task Forces in 2012-2013.
- Per current approved US&R Convoy Standard, the number of SUV Command Vehicles, ATV's, and Utility Trailers that task forces are authorized to purchase and maintain is defined. Task Forces should not exceed these quantities. A Sponsoring Agency-owned or privately contracted service vehicle is authorized when the task force is activated for federal US&R response but this vehicle is not to be purchased or maintained utilizing Cooperative Agreement funding.

RECOMMENDATION

- Distribute the proposed Revised US&R Vehicle Convoy Standard to the National US&R System for 21 Day Review
- Adjudicate comments after the 21 Day review period
- Adopt the final US&R Vehicle Convoy Standard by October 15, 2013

ATTACHMENTS

- Program Directive 2011-014 – US&R Vehicle Convoy Standard w/Attachments A, B, C

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PROGRAM IMPACTS / DOCUMENTATION CHANGES

- Issued revised US&R Vehicle Convoy Standard by Oct 15, 2013
- Rescind all previous US&R Vehicle Convoy Standard Program Directives
- Monitor convoy standard compliance and vehicle purchases by task forces
- Annual review and authorization of task force deployment vehicle inventories as reported on US&R Form 18-4
- Include US&R Vehicle Convoy Standards in US&R Operations Manual
- Revise task force mobilization and transportation plans to include additional vehicles or support units to meet revised US&R Vehicle Convoy Standard.

FINANCIAL IMPACT TO TASK FORCES

- Costs to purchase approved vehicles or support units to meet revised US&R Vehicle Convoy Standard (No motor coaches, service vehicles, or large generators to be purchased by task forces)
- Costs to install 40 watt mobile radios in all task force prime movers
- Annual costs for fuel, maintenance, and insurance costs of additional vehicles or support units to meet revised US&R Vehicle Convoy Standard. (No motor coaches, service vehicles, or large generators to be purchased by task forces)

ALLIED WORK GROUP COORDINATION REQUIRED

- US&R Operations Group
- US&R Program Office

TIMETABLE FOR IMPLEMENTATION

- By October 15, 2013