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TO: Task Force Leaders, FEMA US&R National Response System

FROM: Paul Bailey, Program Manager, NV-TF1

SUBJECT: Canine Search Specialist Certification Evaluation, April 10/11 2010

REVISED ANNOUNCEMENT

Nevada Task Force 1 (NV-TF1) will host a Canine Search Specialist Certification Evaluation in Las Vegas, NV, for **THREE days on April 9/10/11, 2010**. (This is a change from the original announcement of 10/11 April). The following logistical information is supplied to assist in your planning to send candidates from your Task Force. There will be no application fee to participate in this evaluation. Task Forces who send participants will be responsible for supporting their member's travel, lodging and per diem expenses.

The Certification Evaluation is open to candidates who have passed an FSA and are seeking to certify or re-certify as FEMA Canine Search Specialist Teams. The application for this evaluation is attached.

Please forward the completed application (typed, signed and emailed or faxed) to:

Name: Debra Tosch
Fax: 805-640-1848
E-mail: Debra@ndsdf.org

- Space is limited to 36 applicants.** Due date for applications is March 1, 2010.
- Debra Tosch will confirm by e-mail the receipt of application.
- Debra Tosch will confirm accepted applications by e-mail after the due date.
- There will be a mandatory orientation meeting the night before the evaluation, time and place TBD.
- Transportation to/from the airport, hotel and evaluation site is the responsibility of the candidate.

Airport

Las Vegas McCarran International Airport (LAS), 20 minutes from the hotel.

Lodging

Details will be provided to those teams assigned a testing position

Candidates are expected to provide their own personal protective equipment appropriate for rubble pile entry. **Teams without such equipment will not be allowed to participate in the evaluation.** Portable kennels will also be the responsibility of the candidate.

Questions, other than about applications, may be directed to NV-TF1 Canine Coordinator, Bryan Morgan at (561) 301-1461 or nvk9poc@cox.net.