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FM: SO-OP

TO: Clarence Willette, Howard Sprow

SUBJ: Quarterly Report from SO-OP, Division 10

QE patrols have been authorized by CWO2 Jack Williams for the month of November. Regular patrol season ends on October 31 and we have no information yet as to whether or not the season will be extended.

Hurricane Florence affected our area with Stations Oak Island and Wrightsville Beach to sustaining some damage. Early forecasting of the storm track allowed time for evacuation of personnel and boats to safe harbor. Despite damage to structures and communications, CG operations were resumed shortly after the storm passed. The Auxiliary was not called in to verify ATONS following the storm. Some of our Auxiliary facilities as well as floating docks sustained damage but Flotilla 10-05 patrols and training were soon resumed.

Patrols are arranged at the Flotilla level according to its' training needs and /or by request from the controlling USCG Station to monitor water activities in their area. Division does not usually coordinate these activities but stands ready to do so if the local Flotilla needs to augment its' facilities.

Flotilla 10-01 continues its' participation in twice a week joint training with Station Wrightsville Beach. and provides safety patrol for water borne events in their AOR.

The Division SO-OP has access to the NOAA Beacon Registration database to manage the registration of new PLB's as well as changes in registration of PLB's when they are reassigned. Renewal of registrations when they expire every two years is also handled by the SO-OP

This SO-OP has some PPE equipment that can be issued on an as needed basis so FC and FSO-OP can make the request for his flotilla members. Requests for gear available in the inventory should be made to the SO-OP (George Asimos) and/or the DSO-OP (Andrew Cardwell).

The SO-OP is the only member in Division 10 who is authorized to request PPE equipment from DIRAUX (OTO)

Respectfully,

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