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FM: SO-OP

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SUBJ: Quarterly Report from SO-OP, Division 10

Operations activity resumed on April first and now is peaking as the summer season progresses. "OPS NORMAL"

Operational Management Risk/Benefit reporting is now in use by all patrols.

The older model McMurdo Fast Find PLB's are no longer being supported by the USCG with battery replacement. Instead, they are being replaced with the more advanced FastFind 200. Five of the new PLB's were issued to members in Flotilla 10-06.

The old PLB's are to be destroyed by removing the lithium battery, safely disposing of it and then cutting the antenna. Units are not to be returned.

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

A data base is maintained to include expiration dates for PLB batteries so that replacements can be ordered from the USCG OTO to be on hand for issue.

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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