



DAYTON, OHIO REGIONAL HAZ-MAT RESPONSE TEAM NEWSLETTER

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Bioremediation

What does the term *bioremediation* mean to us as first responders? Bioremediation is a method used by clean-up contractors attempting to return soil, water and even pavement to its original (pre-spill) condition. This is just another tool in the toolbox of the Haz-Mat response industry. Emergency response personnel (fire departments-Haz-Mat Teams) do not routinely utilize bioremediation. Bioremediation takes longer than a pressure wash & vacuum procedure, but in the long run it may be more cost effective and more environment friendly. Bioremediation is usually attempted following consultation with Ohio EPA/USEPA.

Welcome

Please welcome our newest Team members:

From Spring Valley FD

- **Katie Hughes**
- **Travis Lansing**
- **Sara Smith**
- **Zach Stroup**

From Xenia Twp. FD

- **Dennis Fox**
- **Tim Hines**
- **Brian Miller**
- **Roy Pendleton**

Thanks

Many thanks to all Team members who participated in the drill at the Main Post Office. This was a multiple agency drill conducted to test our response to a biological alarm. We worked with personnel from county, state & federal government and the teamwork was, as expected, GREAT.

Training

Special Training

We have two special training opportunities approaching and all Team members are invited and encouraged to attend.

On September 20 & 21 at 0900 hours at DFD Station 11 a representative from ZUMRO will be conducting training on the use, care and maintenance of the new *Mass Decon Equipment*. The same material will be presented on both days. The sessions will last approximately 3-4 hours.

On October 4 & 5 from 0900- 1500 hours at DFD Training Center a two-day *Radiation Monitoring Class* will be conducted by a representative from *Canberra*. Canberra is the manufacturer of our new radiation monitoring equipment. This is a two day class; if possible please try to attend both days. If you are unable to attend both days you are welcome to attend either session. This training will be very informative and essential to operate the new equipment.

September Training

This month's training will be held on the 15th, 16th, and 17th at the Dayton Fire Training Center on McFadden Avenue off of Springfield Street. Please note the **starting time of 0800**-1700 hours each day.

Safe Transportation Training Specialists will present a full day program on *Tank Truck Emergencies*. The same class will be offered all three days, try to attend one of the days.

There will not be an evening training session this month. All members are urged to attend the Training at DFDTC.

2005 Training Schedule

September 15-16-17

0800-1700 hours at DFDTC

No Thurs. PM Training

October 20-21-22

0900-1200 hours

October 20

1830-2130 hours

November 17-18-19

0900-1200 hours

November 17

1830-2130 hours

December

No Training