

Licensing Committee Report

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EMS – Renewal of existing Trauma Verified Ambulance Service – ALS level

Renewal application must be submitted to the local (County) EMS and Trauma Council for a recommendation for renewal which gets passed to the Regional Council, which in turn passes a recommendation for renewal to the State Department of Health. Past renewal application has been located which should facilitate updating and this submittal.

During the last submittal a problem was encountered regarding the licensing of the M/V Sentinel. There is no RCW or WAC that addresses a marine ambulance. Chief Martin was able to bypass the normal process of renewal which initially indicated that the marine resource would not be approved. On last contact with DoH the marine issue still has not been addressed. This may still be an issue.

Past application has been recovered which should facilitate the renewal application since the regional plan essentially remains unchanged. Regional plan outlines minimum of 1 ALS ambulance services and maximum of 4. Currently there are 3 services one of which is San Juan EMS

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Timeline: current license expires – 11/30/2019

Optimal submission to State DoH – late Sept. / early Oct. 2019

Next regional council meeting – 10/03/2019

County Trauma Council meeting – 09/12/2019

Optimal application completed and ready for submissions 09/01/2019

Fire – Initial application for Trauma Verified Aid Service – BLS level – non transport

Initial application follows much the same process as renewal passing through County, Regional and State review and recommendations. More work is involved in determining equipment and personnel necessary for responding units. The current regional response plan allows for a

minimum of 0 BLS Aid services and a maximum of 9. San Juan County currently has 0, so there are plenty of slots available.

Dr. Sullivan has indicated that he has templates of recent agency applications which should assist in preparation of the application.

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Timeline: optimal the same as EMS renewal, however a more realistic timeline may be late April 2020 as the North Region meets quarterly with the next meeting happening in January of 2020 and the State DoH has a longer review process for initial applications.