



# Ski Patrollers Skills Prepared to Serve the Community

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# Revved and Ready



- Spring, Summer, and Fall; National Ski Patrol Members, “we” prepare ourselves for our service so that we are ready when the snow flies...
- Some of us, as citizens, work car accidents, if they occur on our paths
- Some work fire lines as paid/volunteer for the Fire Service
- Most of us just enjoy other activities during these other seasons.

# But What If...

- Your drive home gets interrupted..
- There's no snow, no rain, nothing unusual
- It was a Normal day, a Normal rush-hour
- You are either
  - One of the 50-100 cars on the bridge, or
  - Just ahead or just behind those on the bridge







## or What If...

- You are either
  - In the tower, or
  - There, stunned on-looking from the street





## or What If...

- Your cities entire infrastructure is gone



# CERT History & Objectives

- Developed by LAPD 1985
- For the purpose of Training Civilians to meet the immediate needs of the community when disasters or emergencies occur
  - Serve to bridge the time before additional state federal resources arrive on scene
  - Serve to supplement strained or overwhelmed EMS resources

# Can NSP FWD Bridge into CERT?



Training Unit/Competency Description # Refers to unit or competency number in each program	CERT 2.5 hours Each Unit	MRC Core Competency 8 total	NSP Outdoor Emergency Care
Emergency Preparedness and Disasters (personal safety)	#1	#1 #2 #8	Ch7 Patient Assessment and Scene Safety Ch2 – well-being of a rescuer Ch3 Interfacing with EMS and Medical Personnel Ch27 Rescue Techniques
Basic Fire Safety and Suppression Exercise	#2	No	No
Emergency Medical Operations Part I—Triage	#3	No	Yes, 31 Chapters of Outdoor Emergency Care
Emergency Medical Operations Part II—Treatment	#4	No	Yes, 31 Chapters of Outdoor Emergency Care
Light Search and Rescue (urban)	#5	No	Ch7 Patient Assessment and Scene Safety Ch27 Rescue Techniques NO – Cribbing etc.
Team Organization - ICS * Describe role of MRC volunteer in response/incident/health emergency * Assignment, activation, reporting, deactivation	#6	#3 #4 #7	Ch28 Triage Ch29 Mass Casualty
Disaster Psychology – Mental Health	#7	#6	Ch2 – well-being of a rescuer
Terrorism Awareness	#8	No	No
Course Review and Final Exercise	#9	No Exercise Rec.	Yes, written and skills-based performance evaluations
Communication role of member/volunteer	#6	#5	Ch3 Interfacing with EMS and Medical Personnel Ch27 Rescue Techniques





## Working to *Beta* a Bridge Program



- The Fresno Citizen Corp, along with the FWD's High Sierra Ski Patrol, are willing to conduct a bridge effort.
- Goal is to maximize NSP participation so that the “bridge” is available to as many of our 26,000 members nationally.
- There is a tremendous amount of resources required to staff a new program; but the partnership NSP-CERT is a clear win-win
  - for the Nation – bringing NSP Skills to Disaster Preparedness, and
  - for our NSP Members who are revved and ready year-round and can serve their communities with their ski patrol emergency rescue skills on/off the ski area hill.
- More on this effort, as it evolves...