



SARVAC HWF

P/T Association Level Standard Operating Procedure (SOP)

Phase 5 - MOBILIZATION



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PURPOSE: The purpose of this document is to provide a P/T Association level SOP for the *MOBILIZATION Phase* of SARVAC’s HWF Program.

SUMMARY: Concurrent with the *FORMATION Phase*, HWF Responders should mobilize and rendezvous at designated travel hubs (if applicable) en route to the destination. With guidance from the NIST DIR, the NIST Logistics Section should coordinate the travel arrangements, book accommodations, and may install infrastructure for the HWF Responder deployment to begin. The return travel of the HWF Responders to their point of origin should also be planned at this time.

PROCEDURE:

Note: The following assumes P/T Association HWF Coordinator roles are filled by participating P/T Associations.

1. P/T Association Coordinators should remain engaged with the NIST Logistics Section and their participating Local GSAR Groups and HWF Responders, during mobilization.

P/T Association Coordinators:

- Should receive a copy of the Guidance Document from the NIST DIR, outlining the roles, responsibilities, and expectations of HWF Responders.
- May designate a P/T Travel Organization to assist the Local Teams during the mobilization and demobilization phases.
- Should be provided with their participating HWF Responders’ travel and deployment information by the NIST DIR.
- Should request daily status updates on their participating HWF Responders.
- Should update their P/T Associations’ Executive and participating Local GSAR Groups, as required.

This completes the *MOBILIZATION Phase* in accordance with the *National Search and Rescue Operations Concept*.