



From: Commander, NYS Military Emergency Boat Service

Subj: OPSUM 23 FEB 2024 MEBS PROGRAM

The link to the MEBS LOG APP is <https://www.jotform.com/app/build/222037196822152>

The following is the status of the New York State Military Emergency Boat Service

1) ADMINISTRATION:

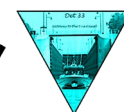
- a. Travel reimbursement for Fall and Winter have been distributed to those members who have made claims. If you did not receive a check in the mail, contact MEBS HQ.
- b. We have essentially made all expenditures that are reimbursable under the FY2020 Port Security Grant for PB440 maintenance. Since the remaining balance in the grant matched the SFY 2023-24 purchase order for Atlantic Service & Equipment, this closes out the grant at 99.99%. Just \$24 remains available from the original \$165,000 in federal funding that was awarded back in September 2020.
- c. Upcoming events:
 - i. 8MAR23/1330: NYS UAV Working Group; MS TEAMS
 - ii. 26MAR24/1000: LChamplain AMSC; Lake Placid
 - iii. 27MAR24/1000: Exercise Empire Challenge IPR; Latham and TEAMS
 - iv. 5 APR24: WESTCOM regional kick off weekend; Buffalo
 - v. 22APR24: USCG Sector New York Change of Command: NYC
 - vi. 28-30 JUN 2024 NorthCom MEBS - ADVON RECON ISO Empire Challenge 2024
 - vii. 1 JUN 24: Hudson-Athens Lighthouse 150-year anniversary celebration; Hudson
 - viii. 23-24 JUL 24: USCG PREP Exercise; Port of Albany
 - ix. 6-8SEP24: Exercise Empire Challenge '24; Lake Champlain

2) INFORMATION: *Reuters* – U.S. officials on Thursday gave Norway’s Equinor EQNR.OL approval to start building a massive offshore wind farm off the coast of New York, a positive milestone for a project that has faced soaring costs and does not have a power supply contract. The plan approved by the U.S. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management includes construction and operation of both the Empire Wind 1 and Empire Wind 2 facilities, which could power more than 700,000 homes annually once built. “We are ready to get to work,” Molly Morris, president of Equinor Renewables Americas, said in a statement. The offshore wind industry is expected to play a key role in helping the U.S. and states including New York meet their goals to decarbonize the power grid and combat climate change. Equinor said construction of Empire Wind is on track to start later this year, and the project could start delivering power to New York by 2026. But first, it must secure a contract. Empire Wind 1 last month submitted a revised bid to supply power to New York state as part of a solicitation that allowed companies to exit old contracts and re-offer at higher prices. New York is expected to announce contract awards in the coming weeks. Equinor and others in the industry had sought new contract terms because of rocketing construction costs, higher interest rates and supply chain snags. Empire Wind 2 is expected to be submitted in a future solicitation, Equinor has said.

3) OPERATIONS:

a. Readiness Rating:

MEBS Readiness Rating		Minimum Standard	Actual	Rating	Goal
Personnel Census	P-Rating	60	67	1	120 MEBS Members
Personnel Staff	S-Rating	7	12	1	13 Key Staff





Training Qualifications	Q-Rating	30	31	1	45 Qualified Coxswains
Training Proficiency	T1-Rating	116	90	2	240 Proficiency Mandays (2/member/year)
Additional Training	T2-Rating	90%	121.35%	1	Basic Course, Towing Cert., UECO, and +
Communications Reliability	K-Rating	90%	102.31%	1	100% Functionality
Equipment Maintenance	E-Rating	90%	98.70%	1	100% Operational
Equipment Vehicle Quantity	V-Rating	11	9	2	11 Trucks

Overall Readiness R-RATING

1.25	2
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Date:

23-Feb-24

b. We have been approached by the PA Air National Guard about providing OPFOR support during their annual training at Ft Drum, between 6-12 JUN. Any event would take place on the eastern end of Lake Ontario. We are uncertain at this point about any commitment. They are holding a planning session on 12MAR in Harrisburg. We are seeking a web-link to that meeting.

c. A request for military support to the solar eclipse at Buffalo is still pending approval by DHSES. USCG Sector EGL has confirmed that they made the request through NYS DHSES.

d. **1** Squadron ONE/JTFES Naval activity for the past week:

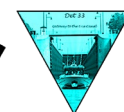
- i. DET 1 Indian Point Activity: Federal Safety and Security Zone Patrol/Lower Hudson River Patrol.
- ii. DET 2 Staten Island Activity: Support to USCG Sector NY.
- iii. DET 3 Jones Beach Activity: Support to JTFES and USCG Sector NY.

4) LOGISTICS:

a. The following vessels have, or will receive new SIMRAD Cruise chart-plotters: PB 230, PB 280, PB 281, PB 300, PB 301. Electronic chart "chips" are also being provided for each of these new chart-plotters.

b. SFY 2023-24 Expenditures to date:

General	\$5,836.92
Boat Maintenance	\$152,831.68
Truck Maintenance	\$2,315.76
Trailer Maintenance	\$1,204.86
Travel/Per Diem	\$21,134.87
Boat Gasoline	\$13,118.83
Truck Diesel	\$6,543.76
Major Acquisition	\$297,973.68
Grants Reimbursement	-\$61,966.54
Total	\$438,993.82
Available:	\$6,101.06

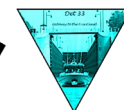




c. Boat, Truck and Trailer Status / Locations:

<u>Bow / Bumper #</u>	<u>Boat / Vehicle</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Mission</u>	<u>Comments</u>
PB 220	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 221	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 230	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 280	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 281	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Available	On trailer
PB 300	Patrol Boat	Leeds	FMC	Maintenance	On trailer
PB 301	Patrol Boat	Jones Beach	FMC	JTFES DET 3	Ready, in water.
LC 350	Landing Craft	Leeds	PMC	Maintenance	Ignition coil issue. Replacing motors. New motors expected to arrive mid-March.
LC 351	Landing Craft	Jones Beach	FMC	JTFES DET 3	Ready, in water.
PB 400	Patrol Boat	Verplanck	FMC	JTFES DET 1	Ready, in water.
PB 440	Patrol Boat	Staten Island	FMC	JTFES DET 2	Ready, in water.
F350-5274	Prime Mover	Camp Smith	FMC	N/A	Ready
F350-5275	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F350-5327	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F350-5329	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F350-5339	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F350-5340	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F350-5619	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
F550-5008	Prime Mover	Leeds	FMC	Service Truck	Ready. No long-range tows.
F550-5009	Prime Mover	Camp Smith	FMC	N/A	Ready
CT 8901	Cargo Trailer	Staten Island	FMC	N/A	Ready
CP 8902	C2 Trailer	Leeds	FMC	N/A	Ready
MT 8903	Maint Trailer	Leeds	FMC	NA	Ready

5) PLANNING AND EXERCISES. N/A





- 6) COMMUNICATIONS. N/A
- 7) TRAINING.
 - a. FAA Part 107 certifications on file: 2
 - b. Authorized motor vehicle drivers: 42. With CDL: 5

