



Situation Awareness & Collaboration Tool

Announcement

SCOUT Transitioning to Phase 3

Release Date: March 5, 2019

The Situation Awareness and Collaboration Tool (SCOUT) Executive Committee approved transitioning to Phase 3 of the original SCOUT deployment plan during their March 5th meeting. Phase 3 is the final deployment phase and opens SCOUT participation to all eligible agencies in California.

SCOUT was initially deployed in April 2016 by the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) in partnership with the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE). The SCOUT platform is an information sharing environment for small to extreme scale homeland security and emergency management incidents. It provides the California first responder community and supporting agencies a web-based tactical and operational response platform to assist in communication, coordination, and collaboration within incident management for all hazards, whether natural or human-made.

SCOUT was deployed in 3 phases:

Phase 1: Original NICS Pilot agencies invited to migrate over to SCOUT. **COMPLETE**

Phase 2: Participation expanded in a controlled manner to select agencies. **COMPLETE**

Phase 3: Participation opened to all interested and eligible agencies. **ONGOING**

California government agencies, or sponsored non-government agencies with a public safety or emergency management mission are eligible to apply. Agencies interested in participating in SCOUT may email scout@caloes.ca.gov. The SCOUT Program will respond with additional application details. The SCOUT Executive Committee reviews all applications for final approval.

For more information about the SCOUT Program, including the **SCOUT Charter**, **Concept of Operations**, and **Operational and Technical Support Plan**, visit www.caloes.ca.gov/scout.

Questions?

For general SCOUT Program questions, email scout@caloes.ca.gov.

For CAL FIRE-specific SCOUT questions, email scoutsupport@fire.ca.gov.