



NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
Investigative Hearing

Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Metrorail train 302 that encountered heavy smoke in the tunnel between the L'Enfant Plaza Station and the Potomac River Bridge on January 12, 2015

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Agency / Organization

Montgomery County Fire and Rescue Services

Title

Council WMATA Talking Points

COUNCIL WMATA TALKING POINTS

METRO SYSTEM WITHIN MONTGOMERY COUNTY

RED LINE TRACK A - SHADYGROVE TO METRO CENTER
 TRACK B – GLENMONT TO METRO CENTER

 18.9 MILES OF TRACK WITHIN MONTGOMERY COUNTY
 TRACK A – Approx. 14.4 miles
 TRACK B – Approx. 4.5 miles

11 – STATIONS 6 ABOVE GROUND
 5 BELOW GROUND

2 – RAIL YARDS SHADYGROVE
 GLENMONT

METRO REPOSE DATA 2012 – 2014

	2012	2013	2014	Total
ALS	4	1	2	7
BLS		1		1
Box	1	1	6	8
Other	12	20	14	46
			Grand Total	62
		Silver Spring		9
		Forest Glen		0
		Wheaton		7
		Glenmont		4
		Friendship Heights		2
		Bethesda		11
		Medical Center		11
		Grosvenor		6
		Twinbrook/White Flint		4
		Rockville		4
		Shady Grove		4
			TOTAL	62

Montgomery County Metro Incident Response

Fire in the physical station not involving a train is FIR/BLDG

All unexplained smoke in a tunnel is MET/FIRE

CALL TYPES:

MET/FIRE: TRAIN ON FIRE [*MUST USE A CHAIN MARKER*]

SPAWNS METRO-BX, METRO-TF, AND METRO-WS AS NEEDED BASED ON LOCATION

MET/CRSH: TRAIN DERAILED OR CRASHED [*MUST USE A CHAIN MARKER*]

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MET/ALS: ALS INJURY IN ROW [*MUST USE A CHAIN MARKER*]

SPAWNS METRO-A

MET/BLS: BLS INJURY IN ROW [*MUST USE A CHAIN MARKER*]

SPAWNS METRO-B

MET/OTH: OTHER EVENT IN ROW [*MUST USE A CHAIN MARKER*]

SPAWNS METRO-O

UNIFIED COMMAND on METRO Calls: One MCFRS, One MCPD, and One MTPD in Vehicle. Unified Command Post intended to help minimize recurring issues:

1. Confirming 3rd Rail Power down with OCC
2. Confirming movement or lack of movement of trains
3. Ventilation Fan Status
4. Access to CB-EMIS from command post
5. Coordination between OCC, Rail Operations, and Station Operations
6. Minimize miscommunication (plain language is not always plain language)

TRAINING:

ALL Recruits receive METRO Training in the Academy, including Station Visit/Tours and Training at the Landover WMATA Training Facility.

Stations Perform regular Station Visits and METRO Drills

All Up and Coming Officers are Tested and Evaluated on METRO knowledge in order to be promoted.

COPDI – Command Training

WMATA Joint Supervisor Training (Chief Officers and Rail Officers)

Rail Officer Training

Special Operations – METRO Training (Command/Operations)

Individuals Attending Training at WMATA Landover Training Facility

Jurisdiction	Number of Participants					
	Year 2014	Year 2013	Year 2012	Year 2011	Year 2010	Year 2009
Montgomery County Fire & Rescue	435	245	339	137	231	283
Montgomery County Police Department	50	-	28	16	-	-

*** FULL SCALE TRAINING VERY DIFFICULT BECAUSE IT MUST BE DONE DURING NON-OPERATIONAL PERIODS***