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# Incident Command System

What we need to know to be  
better partners in conservation

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# Meet Your Trainer

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- Patch addict
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- 32 years in the Fire and EMS services
- Some BSA stuff too



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# Learning Objectives

1. Refresh on ICS, why we care and what is an Incident Action Plan (IAP) .
2. Officers
  - Command staff
  - General staff
3. Tabletop project.
4. Debrief on the project
5. Look at some other ICS resources





# 1.

## Learn what the ICS is.



# What is the Incident Command System (ICS)?

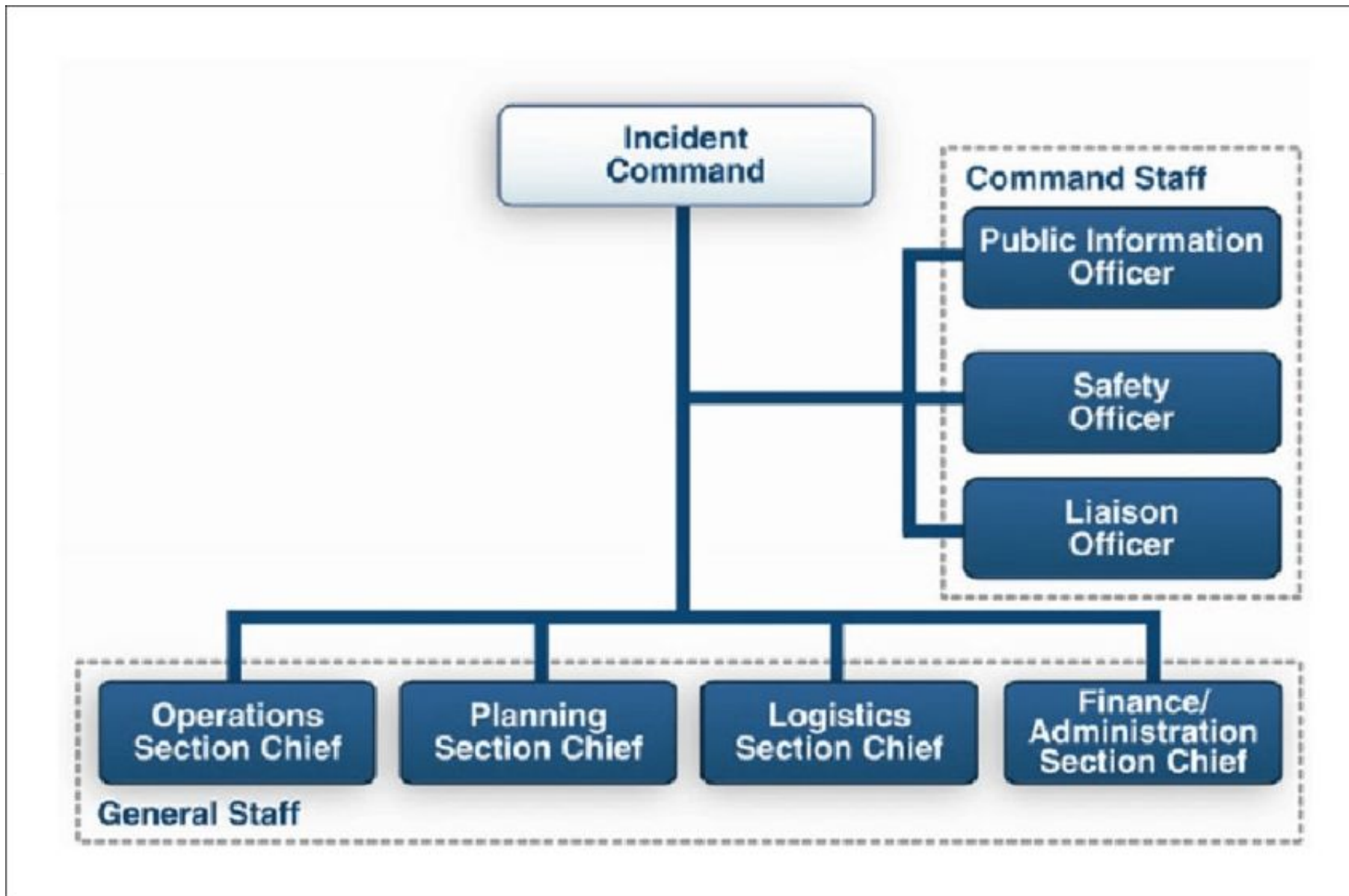
- The Incident Command System (ICS) is a standardized approach to the command, control, and coordination of projects or incidents that provides a common hierarchy within which people from multiple agencies can be effective.



- Provides a method for managing a large amount of people.
- Make and use an Incident Action Plan (IAP)
- Used by the most government agency's for managing events where multiple agencies are involved.
- Has the ability to be changed for scale ( larger or smaller).







# Why do we as Scouts care about ICS?





# ICS Incident Action Plan (IAP)

- Specifies what the incident objectives are
- States what tasks need to be done
- Sets a projected timeline
- Can be written or oral
- Needs to have emergency plans included
- Can be changed by IC as needed





## 2.

### a. COMMAND STAFF



# Command Staff



# Incident Commander (“IC”)

- Youth and adviser that are in charge of the WHOLE project.





# The Incident Commander is responsible for:

Ensuring incident safety.

Establishing an Incident Command Post.

Setting priorities, and determining incident objectives and strategies to be followed.

Establishing the ICS organization needed

Approving the Incident Action Plan.

Coordinating Command and General Staff activities.

Approving resource requests and use of volunteers and auxiliary personnel.

Ensuring after-action reports are completed.

Authorizing information release to the media.

Ordering demobilization as needed



# Safety Officer

- Identify and mitigate hazardous situations.
- Ensure safety messages and briefings are made.
- Exercise emergency authority to stop and prevent unsafe acts.
- Review the Incident Action Plan for safety implications.
- Initiate preliminary investigation of accidents within the incident area.
- Review and approve the Medical Plan.
- Participate in planning meetings.



# Public Information Officer ( PIO )

- Determine, according to direction from the IC, any limits on information release.
- Develop information for use in press/media briefings.
- Obtain IC's approval of news releases.
- Arrange for tours and other interviews or briefings that may be required.
- Monitor and forward media information that may be useful to incident planning.
- Maintain current information, summaries, and/or displays on the incident.
- Participate in planning meetings.



# Liaison Officer

- Act as a point of contact for other agency's
- Maintain a list of assisting and cooperating and agency representatives.
- Assist in setting up and coordinating interagency contacts.
- Monitor incident operations to identify current potential interorganizational problems.
- Participate in planning meetings, providing status and capabilities.



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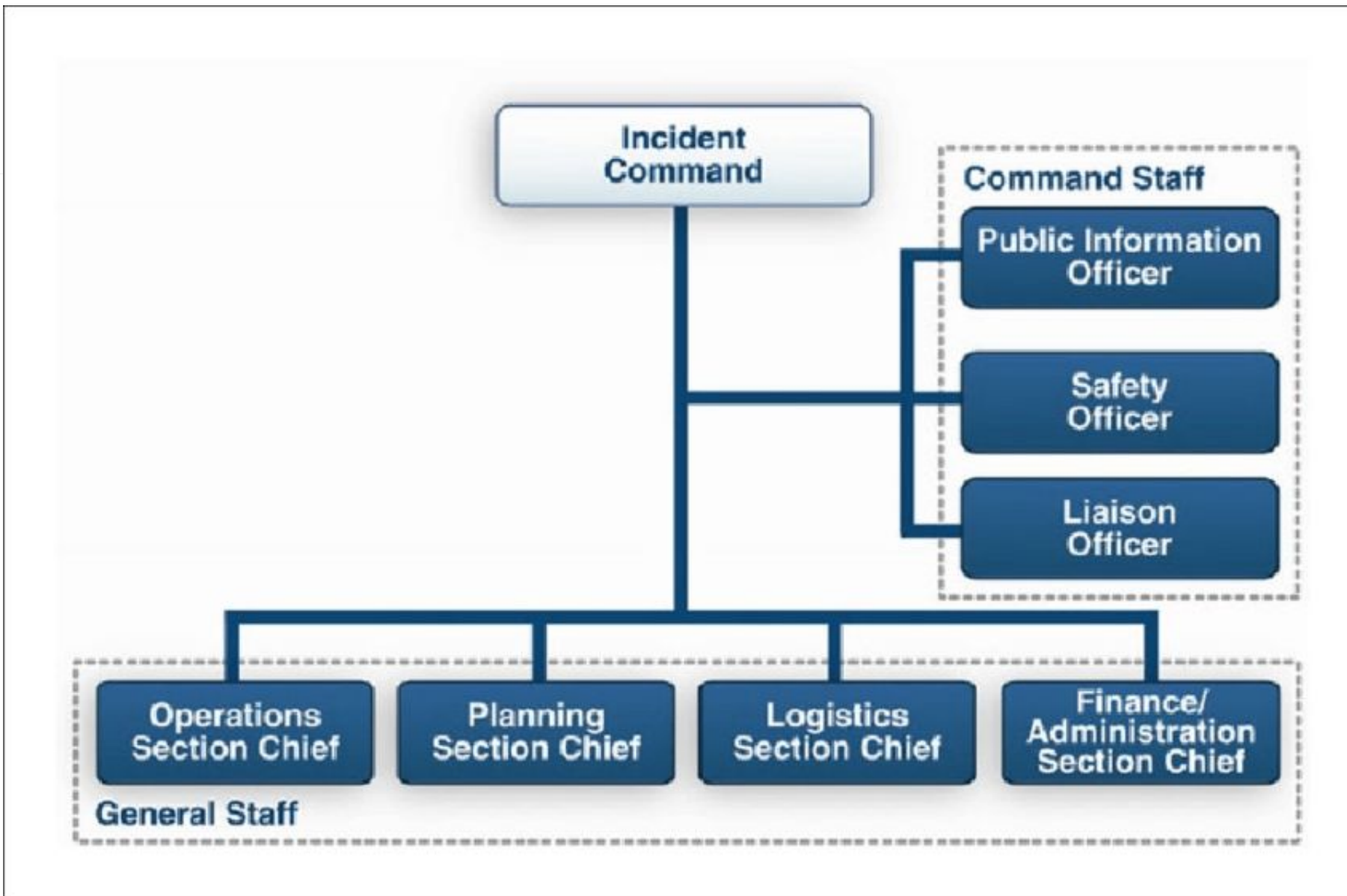




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### b. General Staff





# Operations Section



- Responsible for managing all tactical operations
  - The Incident Action Plan (IAP) provides the necessary guidance.
- Manage tactical operations
- Develop the operations portion of the IAP
- Supervise execution of operations portions of the IAP
- Make or approve expedient changes to the IAP



# Planning Section



- Responsible for providing planning services for the incident.
- Collect and manage all incident-relevant **operational** data
- Supervise preparation of the IAP-Provide input to the IC and Operations in preparing the IAP
- Compile and display incident status information
- Establish specialized data collection systems as necessary (e.g., weather).
- Oversee preparation of the Demobilization Plan.





# Logistics Section

- Provides all incident support needs.
- Provide and manage all facilities, transportation, communications, supplies, equipment maintenance, fueling, food and medical services for incident personnel, and all off-incident resources.
- Provide logistical input to the IAP
- Identify anticipated and known service and support needs
- Ensure and oversee the development of the Communications, Medical, and Traffic Plans as required



# Logistics is a **BIG** deal!



# Finance / Admin Section

*Not all incidents will require a Finance/Administration Section*



- Responsible for managing all financial aspects of an incident
- Provide financial and cost analysis information as requested
- Meet with assisting and cooperating agency representatives as needed
- Ensure compensation and claims functions are being addressed relative to the incident.
- Brief agency administrative personnel on all incident-related financial issues needing attention or followup.



# Time to practice!

- Here is the "*incident*": Camp Patiya Trail Project
  - Break into 8 groups
  - Hand out task sheets, notebooks, pens.Work together as your group sees fit to answer the sheets.  
Add anything your group feels is needed.





# Camp Patiya Trail Project





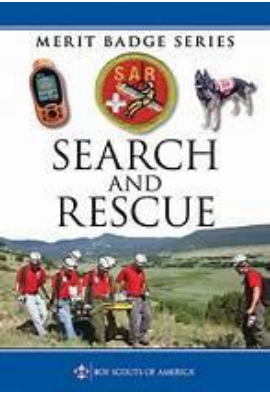




# Lets hear what you did

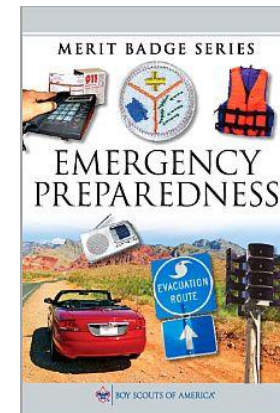


- *ICS is part of the BSA program already*



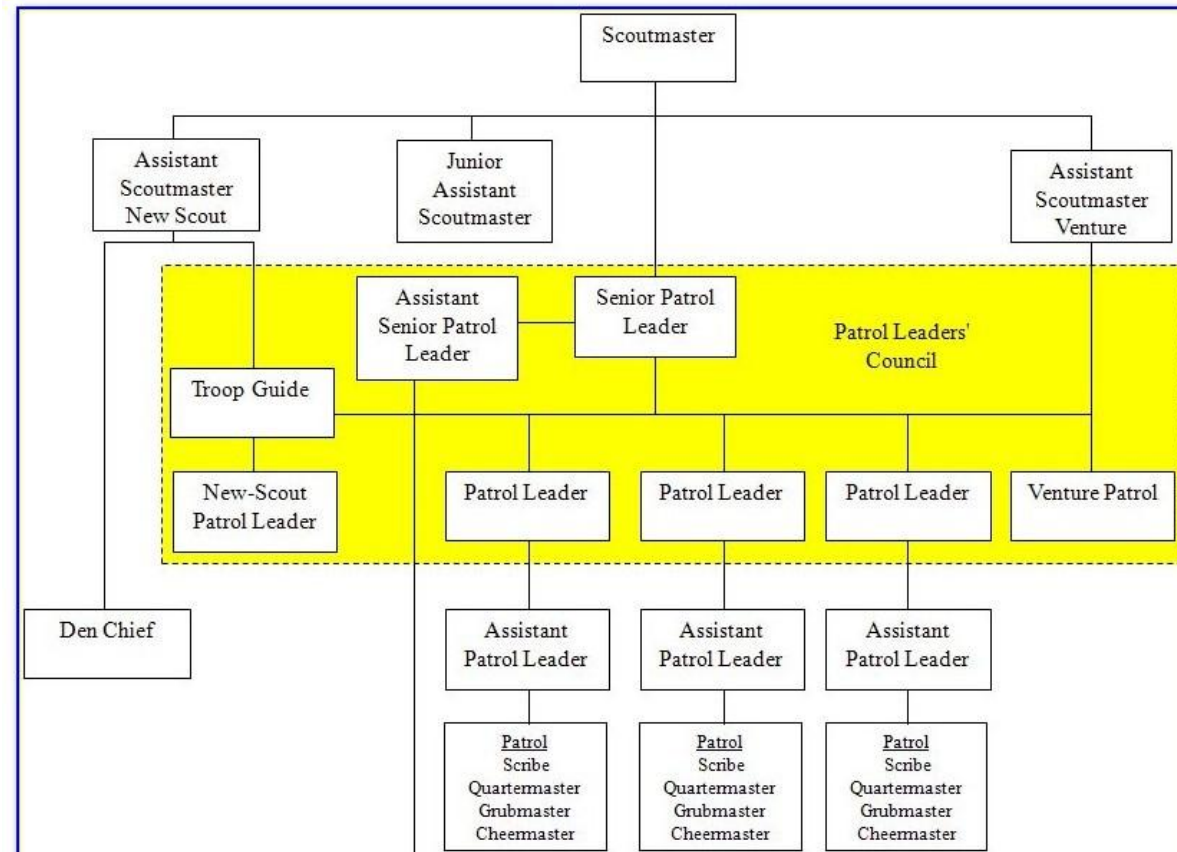
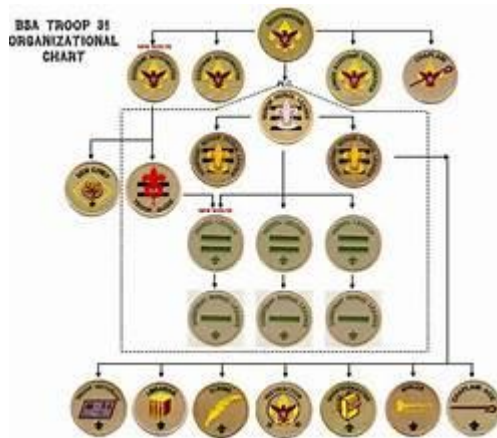
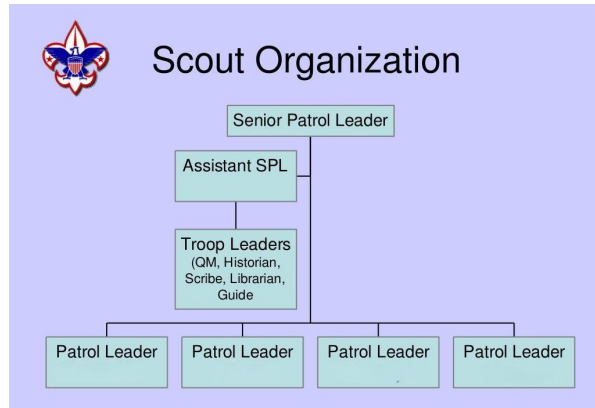
- Search and Rescue Merit Badge: 3:C.3 and 5.

- Emergency Preparedness: 6: A and B

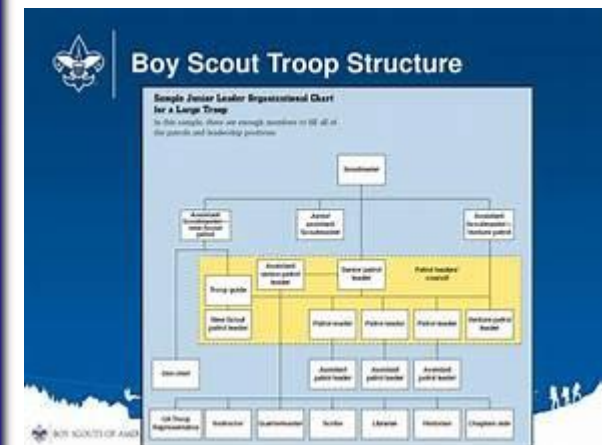
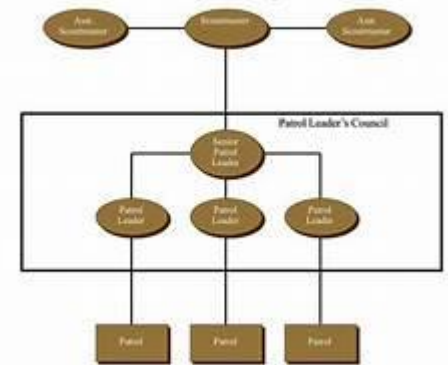




# Scouting uses ICS everyday



## Basic Troop Organization





# *ICS Links will be made available after NOAC*

- An email will be sent to you with all kinds of great ICS info: links, pictures, forms and more.



# Takeaway

