INTRODUCTION
NATURE OF OPERATION

- Established in 1978
- Full-time employees of the Government of Alberta (Canada)
- Professional mountain rescue service operating 24/7/365
- 300 to 350 responses annually
- 10,681 responses, 314 fatalities in 35 years
- Primary response area of over 4500km²
ROCKY MOUNTAINS of CANADA
ROLES and RESPONSIBILITIES

• Mountain Rescue Response
• Training
• Incident Prevention Activities
• Avalanche Program
  ï Public Avalanche Bulletin
  ï Avalanche Control for local highways
  ï Avalanche Rescue
RESCUE TEAM MEMBERS

- Public Safety Specialists
  - IFMGA/ACMG
  - CAA Professional
  - Additional training

- Conservation Officers
  - CAA Technician
  - Additional training

- Medical Director
TRAINING

- Training schedule
  - 40+ days/year/employee
  - All aspects of mountain rescue
- Established standards
- Continuing Professional Development
- Interagency training
OTHER RESCUE ORGANIZATIONS
TYPES of RESCUES
Terrestrial

Medical
EQUIPMENT
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ICAR MEMBERSHIP STANDARDS

- Appropriate legal status
- Approval by national political authorities
- Established bylaws
- Records of statistics, training, qualifications, equipment and finances
- Compliance REC V0002, V0003 and V0005
- Letter of Recommendation – Parks Canada
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QUESTIONS?