

**BULLETIN**

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**TO:** All Personnel

**FROM:** James Gaboury, Deputy Fire Chief, Logistics Division

**SUBJECT:** Battalion SCBA Loaner Program - REVISED

The SCBA program will be adding a Battalion SCBA loaner to all Operations BC vehicles. This program is in addition to the current replace/repair procedure and is not intended to replace current SCBA practices. This procedure will allow Battalion Chiefs to exchange SCBAs immediately to keep units in service and in district when applicable.

Each Battalion Chief vehicle will be issued one additional SCBA harness to be exchanged directly with the unit in their battalion. The BC will transport the harness needing repair to station 36 at a convenient time and be issued another loaner harness. To ensure proper tracking and accountability the receiving unit will set a PStrax alert. The alert process is shown below.

In addition, due to DOT guidelines and NFPA SCBA recommendations, SDFD will no longer continue placing long-staffed SCBAs on fire apparatus unless they can be properly stored/secured in an SCBA bracket. Long-staff personnel can use the Engineer's SCBA or Battalion SCBA during incidents. As a reminder, IRIC must include two personnel, outside of an IDLH atmosphere, with SCBAs donned or immediately available. A long-staff Firefighter using the Engineer's SCBA may need to remain outside of the IDLH as part of IRIC, if applicable.

*Figure 1: Set Alert for Apparatus Receiving SCBA*

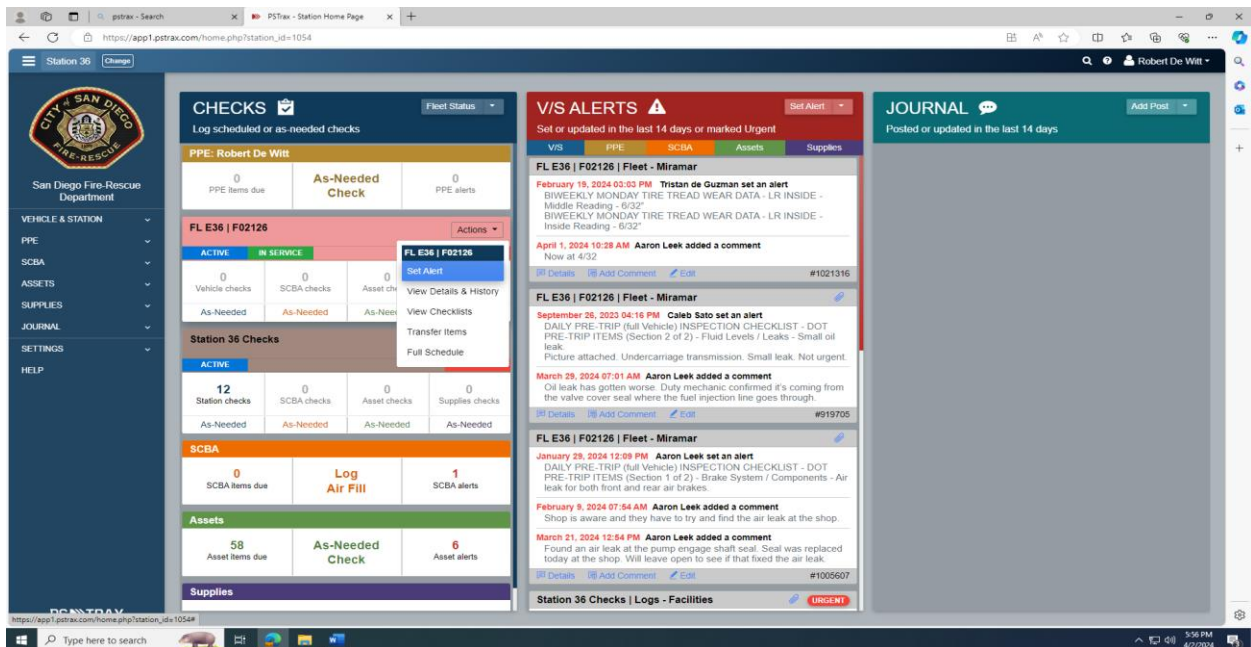


Figure 2: Set Alert for Logs SCBA

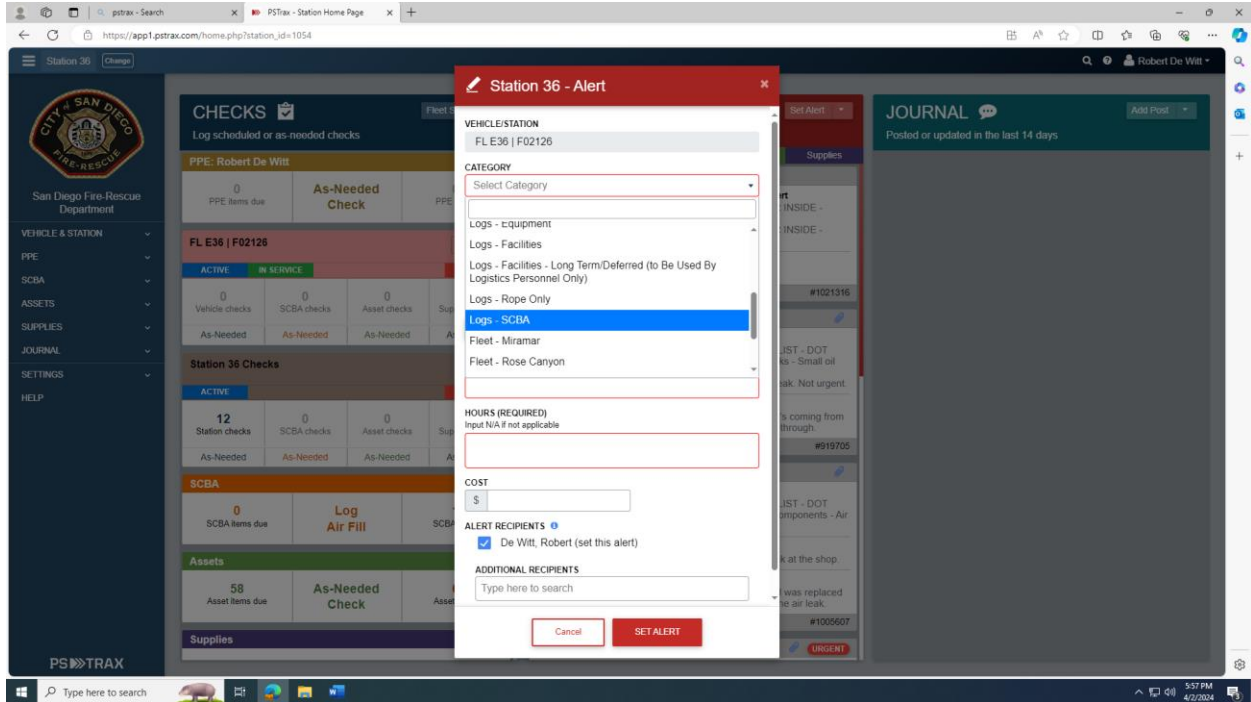
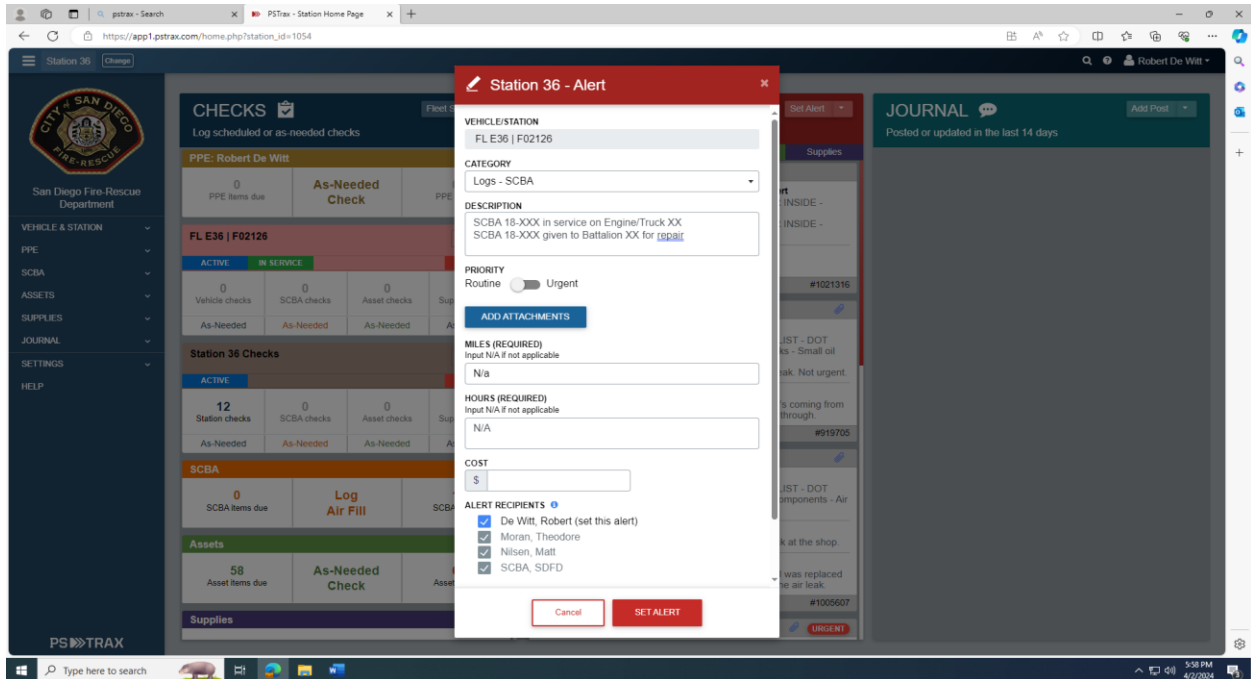


Figure 3: In Comments: Include SCBA # Received, SCBA # Needing Repair,



### **SCBA Harness Location**

*Figure 4: Drivers Side Compartment*



*Figure 5: Storage Well for Loaner SCBA Harness*



Any questions should be directed to the chain of command or Breathing Apparatus Repair (BAR) personnel at Fire Station 36 at (858) 573-1378.