

JEFFERSON COUNTY CEMP EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 2012 Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP) is organized into five sections. The Basic Plan provides a general overview and summary of the purpose, responsibilities and operational concepts of the Comprehensive Emergency Management program. Attachment I addresses the emergency management mitigation/prevention phase. Attachment II addresses the emergency management preparedness phase. Attachment III guides the counties response to an emergency through the Emergency Support Functions (ESF's). Attachment IV provides the primary/support matrix for each ESF along with a map of Jefferson County.

Emergency Support Functions or ESF's, identify eighteen areas of specific concentration that may need to be addressed depending on the type of emergency encountered by the County and the agencies/personnel responsible for the primary and support functions. The eighteen ESF's are:

ESF #1 – TRANSPORTATION / Jefferson County Highway Department

Provide, in a coordinated manner, the resources (human, technical, equipment, facility, materials and supplies) of participating agencies to support emergency transportation needs and service restoration activities during emergency or disaster situations.

ATTACHMENT 1A – Evacuation / Law Enforcement: Provide for the evacuation of part or all of the population from any threatened or stricken disaster area within Jefferson County to locations providing safety and shelter and to provide guidance for in-place sheltering when evacuation is not feasible.

ESF # 2 – COMMUNICATION / Management Information Systems (MIS)

Support public safety and the operation of government agencies by maintaining continuity of information and telecommunication infrastructure equipment and other technical resources. The emergency communications, notification and warning system are described in the Alert & Warning Emergency Support Function ESF # 22: Public Protection.

Attachment 2A – Warning / Law Enforcement: Provide rapid alert and warnings to the public and key Jefferson County and other officials of an impending or occurring natural emergency, technological emergency, hostile action, or impending conditions that could be hostile or unfriendly to public welfare or safety.

ESF #3 – PUBLIC WORKS / Jefferson County Highway Department

Facilitate protection, repair and restoration of local government owned physical infrastructure for roads, waste management, storm-water management systems, and sewer systems.

Attachment 3A – Damage Assessment: Life Safety Assessment / Law Enforcement: Coordinate the conduct of the initial life safety assessment and ongoing damage assessments of the County so that accurate and timely information on the situation post-emergency are obtained.

Attachment 3B – Debris Management: Provide for the coordination of emergency road clearance, debris collection and disposal

ESF #4 – FIRE FIGHTING / Municipal Fire Departments

Facilitate countywide coordinated use of fire department resources in fire prevention, suppression and control of urban, rural, and wild land fires and other hazardous emergencies.

ESF #5 – EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT / Emergency Management Office

Describe how the Emergency Management Office will collect, analyze, and disseminate information about a potential or actual emergency or disaster to enhance response and recovery activities.

ESF #6 – MASS CARE, EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE, HOUSING & HUMAN SERVICES / Human Services Department

Describe a coordination framework and serve as a guide to provide sheltering, mass care, emergency assistance, housing, and human services following an emergency or disaster. Identify key participants and resources to meet access and functional needs populations in mass care and sheltering operations.

Attachment 6A – Functional Needs: To coordinate activities involved with the identification, registering, transportation, sheltering and care of people with functional needs before, during, and after a significant emergency.

ESF #7 – RESOURCE SUPPORT / Emergency Management Office

Provide resources and logistical support for emergency response and recovery efforts, provide for the effective procurement, utilization, prioritization, and conservation of available local resources (equipment and supplies) during emergencies, and provide for acquisition of resources from the state or federal government when local resources are depleted.

ESF #8 – PUBLIC HEALTH / Public Health Department

Coordinate comprehensive public health services during an emergency, excluding mental health services (ESF # 6), hospital and medical services (ESF # 16) and fatality management (ESF # 20), and to provide measures and resources for communicable disease prevention and control (disease surveillance, investigation, containment and communication), including environmental health to first responders and the impacted community.

ESF #9 – SEARCH AND RESCUE / Municipal Fire Departments

Provide a coordinated process of locating, extricating, and providing initial medical treatment to victims trapped, threatened or stranded in harm's way by any emergency or hazardous event when they cannot remove themselves.

ESF #10 – HAZARDOUS MATERIALS / Level B Hazardous Materials Team

Coordinate response to an actual or potential discharge or release of hazardous materials

ESF #11 – AGRICULTURE / Public Health Department

Coordinate and support efforts to respond effectively to an incident involving agriculture, food, natural or cultural resources and provide a process to integrate State and federal response/recovery actions

ESF #12 – ENERGY & UTILITIES / Emergency Management Office

Respond to and recover from shortages and disruptions in the supply and delivery of electricity, telecommunications, wastewater and County public utilities, and other forms of energy and fuels.

ESF #13 – LAW ENFORCEMENT & SECURITY / Law Enforcement Agencies

The overall coordination of the command and control of the County, state, and federal Law Enforcement Agencies personnel and equipment in support of emergency response and recovery operations. This function provides for the timely and coordinated efforts of Law Enforcement Agency personnel for public safety and protection. Activities which relate to evacuation, curfew, traffic management, crowd control, security and other extra-ordinary Law Enforcement Agencies functions are necessary to provide for the safety and welfare of the public within an emergency environment.

ESF #14 – LONG TERM RECOVERY / Emergency Management Office

Support county, local, tribal, nongovernmental organizations (NGOs), the private sector and volunteer efforts to enable community recovery from the long-term consequences of an emergency or disaster. This support consists of available programs and resources to reduce or eliminate risk from future incidents, where possible.

ATTACHMENT 14A – Volunteer and Donations Management: Define the organization, operational concepts, responsibilities and procedures to accomplish volunteer and donations management requirements. The Attachment is designed to include coordination of solicited and/or unsolicited goods, undesignated cash donations, and large numbers of affiliated and unaffiliated (spontaneous) volunteers.

ESF #15 – PUBLIC INFORMATION / Jefferson County Sheriff

Establish a system that gathers and disseminates emergency-related information through the media and directly to the general public. This does not include the Alert and Warning information covered in the Public Protection ESF # #2 and to ensure that sufficient County assets are deployed to provide accurate, coordinated, and timely information to the public, the media, and local, state and federal governmental partners.

ESF #16 – HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL SERVICES / EMS and Hospital

Identify, manage and organize the response of emergency medical care resources. Act as the liaison between local, state and federal agencies in the coordination of emergency response and emergency medical support.

ESF #17 – ANIMAL AND VETERINARY SERVICES / Public Health Department

Identify, manage, and organize the response of resources needed for the care and disposition of domestic pets, livestock, wildlife, and exotic animals following a significant emergency, and to coordinate emergency response and relief assistance with various municipal, county, state and federal agencies and to provide guidance regarding animal related issues caused by an emergency/disaster.

ESF #18 – FATALITY MANAGEMENT / Jefferson County Coroner

This addresses general policies and procedures for the mitigation, preparedness, response to and recovery from incidents with fatalities. It also provides an initial coordination framework of mass fatality response activities.

If you would like to receive a full copy of the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP), please contact my office at 920-674-7450. Thank you.