



Emergency Management



County Officials Academy

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Local Emergency Management



Emergency Management

Every incident starts and ends at the local level.



All phases should be supported by local officials.

Emergency Managers

- Vast majority are part-time and/or new to the position.
- Just like their responders, many Emergency Managers also wear many “hats”.

Emergencies/Disasters are not “new”

- The number and magnitude seem to have increased.
- There is no “normal” when it comes to some of the disasters and their lasting effects.

Bismarck Hail Storm - 2001



Northwood Tornado - 2007



Dickinson Tornado - 2008



Bismarck Ice Jam - 2009



Linton Flood - 2009



Burleigh County Flooding - 2011



Burleigh County Rural Fire - 2015



Burleigh County Flooding 2019



Emmons County Flooding 2019



COVID-19 Pandemic

January 27, 2020: US Department of Health and Human Services declared a public health emergency for the United States to aid the nation's health care community responding to COVID-19

March 11, 2020: World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a global pandemic

March 13, 2020: President Donald Trump declared a National Emergency.

March 13, 2020: Governor Doug Burgum declared a state emergency in response to the public health crisis resulting from COVID-19

March 13, 2020: Burleigh County declared a Health Emergency



What didn't we deal with in 2011?

- 911 TrunkLines Cut
- Acquisitions
- Asbestos
- ATVs
- Backup EOC
- Bank Stabilization
- Boat Ramp Closures
- Boats
- Bridges
- Burn Ban
- Bus Routes
- **Call Center**
- Carbon Monoxide
- Carp
- Checkpoints
- Child Care
- Clean-up Kits
- Congressional Information/Tours
- Contractors
- Culverts
- **Daily Release Schedule**
- Debris Removal
- Debris Sorting
- Detours
- Disaster Assistance (FEMA)
- Disaster Recovery Center
- Disaster Unemployment Assistance
- Deposition
- Donations
- Drainage Ditch
- Drop Points
- Drying Out
- Electrical
- Elevation Information
- Engineering Hotline
- Equipment/Vehicle Maintenance
- Erosion
- **Evacuations**
- Food and Hydration
- Fox Island Gate Access
- Governor's Executive Order Limited Access to Flooded Areas
- Groundwater
- Hail Damage
- Hazardous Waste
- Hesco Barriers
- High Winds
- High-Wheeled Vehicles
- Hip Waders
- Housing
- Identification
- Individual Assistance
- Landfills
- Larvacide Briquets
- Latrines
- Legal Services
- Legislation Information
- Levee Patrol
- Levees
- Liability Forms
- Light Sets
- Load Restrictions
- Maps
- Media Interviews
- Mental Health
- Mitigation Projects
- **Mold**
- **Mosquitos**
- Mutual Aid
- National Flood Insurance Program
- Neighborhood Watch Program
- Nonprofit Partners
- Outdoor Warning Sirens
- Pallets
- Parking
- Pets
- Phone Registration
- Preliminary Damage Survey
- Press Conferences
- Press Releases
- Private Entities
- Propane Tanks
- Public Assistance
- Pumps
- Quick Response Forces
- Radios
- Reconnaissance
- Regulation Forecast
- River Channels
- River Gauges
- River Restrictions
- Road Damage
- Road Grade Raises
- Roads Closed
- **Rumors**
- Safety Briefings
- Sand
- Sandbag Machines
- Sandbag Removal
- Sandbags
- Scams
- Schedules
- Search and Rescue
- Security
- Septic and Sewer Systems
- Sewage
- Shelter
- Smartphone Applications
- Snakes
- Staging Areas
- Storage
- Sump Pumps
- Sunscreen
- Tactical Operations Center
- Tetanus
- Traffic Control Points
- Trap Bags
- Tree Damage
- Turbidity
- US Coast Guard Safety Zone
- Utilities
- Valuations
- Vegetation
- Volunteers
- Water Quality
- Weather Reports
- Webcams
- Wells
- Wildlife
- Winter Repairs

2011 Public Information

- Call Center
- Commission Meetings
- Dakota Media Access
- BEK Communications
- Direct Mail
- Door-to-Door
- Forums
- Joint Information Center
- Media
- Press Conferences
- Press Releases
- Recovery Packets
- Reverse Notification
- Smartphone Applications
- Talking Points

Internet/Social Media

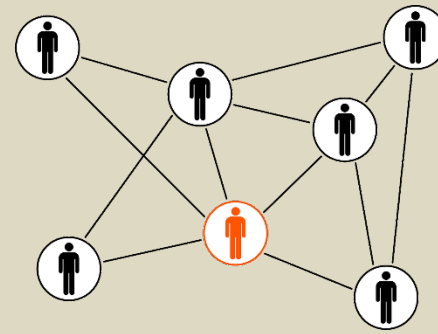
- Facebook
- Twitter
- Website



**Local Officials need
to participate!**



2011 Partners



- Burleigh County Water Resource Board
- Barnes County
- Cass County
- Civil Air Patrol
- **Community**
- Congressional Delegates
- Contractors
- Landfills
- Dakota Media Access
- FEMA
- IRS
- Legislators
- Media (local)
- Morton County
- National Flood Insurance Program
- National Weather Service
- ND Association of Counties
- ND Citizen Corps
- NDSU Extension Service
- ND DES
- ND DOT
- ND Game & Fish
- ND Governor's Office
- ND National Guard
- ND State Water Commission
- Private Entities
- Red Cross
- RSVP+
- Salvation Army
- Small Business Administration
- Stark County
- US Army Corps of Engineers
- US Coast Guard
- US Fish & Wildlife
- US Geological Survey
- Utilities

Jurisdiction Recommendations

- Review/update ordinances and policies.
- What are your local resources and budget?
- Understand emergency authorities
- Learn how to declare a local emergency.
- Meet with Emergency Manager to review their responsibilities, local plans, and your role.
- How do you disseminate information?



ND Century Code

37-17.1 Emergency Services

Summaries

37-17-1.07: All areas of the state must be served by a local or regional emergency management organization.

37-17.1-07.1: The Local Emergency Planning Committee, appointed by the **County Commission**, and the local emergency management organization shall coordinate the development and maintenance of a hazardous chemicals preparedness and response program. The **County Treasurer** establishes a non-lapsing restricted account, known as the county hazardous chemicals preparedness and response account which consists of revenue from the state hazardous chemicals fee system.

37-17.1-10: A disaster, emergency, or mandatory evacuation order can be declared by the **principal executive officer of the county or city** for up to seven days, at which time it can be continued or renewed with consent of the **City of County Commission**. It must be publicized and filed with the **County or City Auditor**. The effect of a declaration is to activate emergency operation plans and authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance.

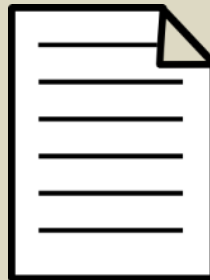
Local Events Do Not Often Meet Federal Criteria For Reimbursement

- When an incident occurs, be aware that local expenditures may not be reimbursed.
- FEMA reimbursement for Public Assistance is generally provided on a 75% federal, 25% non-federal cost sharing basis for:
 - Debris removal
 - Emergency protective measures
 - Roads and bridges
 - Water control facilities
 - Buildings and equipment
 - Utilities
 - Parks, recreational and other facilities
- Some of the factors determining a FEMA declaration:
 - Estimated cost of assistance (Based on population and per capita impact)
 - Localized impacts (Critical facilities such as roadways, bridges, public buildings, etc.)
 - Insurance coverage

Emergency Manager Role

- Planning for community resilience to respond and recover from an incident to reach a “new normal”.
 - Assist with declaration and publicity.
 - Access to additional resources.
 - Conduit to State resources—including National Guard.
- There is an official process.

- Documentation! Documentation! Documentation!
- Grants
- Reports
- Training



QUESTIONS?

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