



Schedule of Activities



Tuesday, October 10, 2006

10:00am- 1:00pm

Registration/SERT Badge Updates

Location: EOC Rudd Building Front Desk/Lobby

1:00pm- 1:30pm

Welcome

Speakers: W. Craig Fugate, Director of Florida Division of Emergency Management

David Halstead, Bureau Chief Preparedness and Response

Location: EOC, Big Room

1:30pm- 2:45pm

County Showcase

Speakers: Hernando County, Seminole County, Miami-Dade County, and Chris Floyd with American Red Cross

Location: EOC, Big Room

2:45pm- 3:00pm

Domestic Security- The State of Florida, in cooperation with county/municipal representatives, is establishing and maintaining a comprehensive program to prepare for and manage the impacts of terrorist and cyber terrorist events. The program will provide for continuing assessment of the state's vulnerabilities, planning, and training to prepare for and respond to such events, pre-deployment of specialized response capabilities throughout the state, and definition of the operational concepts to be utilized to manage an actual or suspected event.

Speaker: Farrah Gosford

Location: EOC, Big Room

3:00pm- 3:15pm

Break

3:15pm- 4:15pm

Panel Discussion: NIMS Compliance- When NIMS is fully implemented, states and local jurisdictions will be able to:

- Ensure common and proven incident management doctrine, practices and principles are used to plan for protect against, respond to and recover from emergency incidents and preplanned events;
- Maintain a response operation capable of expanding to meet an escalating situation and the ability to integrate resources and equipment from intrastate and interstate mutual aid agreements, state-provided assistance and federal government response;
- Order and track response assets using common resource typing and definitions, and draw on mutual aid agreements for additional assistance;
- Establish staging and allocation plans for the re-distribution of equipment, supplies and aid coming into the area from other localities, states or the federal government through mutual aid agreements;
- Conduct situational assessments and establish the appropriate ICS organizational structure to effectively manage the incident;
- Establish communication processes, procedures and protocols that will ensure effective interoperable communications among emergency responders, 9-1-1 centers and multi-agency coordination systems.

Panel Members: David Halstead Moderator, Carla Boyce, Farrah Gosford, Sean Loughlin, and Steve Watts

Location: EOC, Big Room



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4:15pm- 4:35pm

County Capability Assessment- Is a vital part of the overall review of local Comprehensive Emergency Management Plans. These plans are reviewed by the Division to ensure compliance with Rule chapter 9G-6, of the Florida Administrative Code (FAC) on a four (4) year review cycle. Local exercise and drills, plus actual events that will occur over a 4 year period, provide ample opportunity for the capability assessment team, to evaluate the functions outlined in this assessment.

Speaker: Linda Brown

Location: EOC, Big Room

4:35pm- 4:55pm

Local Mitigation Strategy- Is broad based, pre-disaster planning that provides highly effective and analytical methods to integrate hazard mitigation into routine policy decision making as well as capital improvement programs of local governing bodies. Mitigation grant programs that recognize the local mitigation strategy process include: the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program; the Flood Mitigation Assistance Program; the Emergency Management Preparedness and Assistance Trust Fund, Competitive Grant Program, and Community Development Block Grant Program.

Speaker: Leroy Thompson

Location: EOC, Big Room

Wednesday, October 11, 2006

7:15am- 8:00am

Registration

Location: Front Desk/Lobby

8:00am- 8:15am

Training and Exercise- For the Florida's emergency management program to be successful, an effective and comprehensive Training and Exercise program is essential. The Division has designed a program with annual training and exercise components to evaluate the ability of the State and its subdivisions to respond to minor, major and catastrophic disasters.

Speaker: Jim Roberts

Location: EOC, Big Room

8:15am- 8:30am

Citizen Corps- Citizen Corps, a vital component of USA Freedom Corps, was created to help coordinate volunteer activities that will make our communities safer, stronger, and better prepared to respond to any emergency situation. It provides opportunities for people to participate in a range of measures to make their families, their homes, and their communities safer from the threats of crime, terrorism, and disasters of all kinds.

Speaker: Marcia Chircos

Location: EOC, Big Room



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8:30am- 9:00am

Interoperability/Information Management- Is the ability of products, systems, or business processes to work together to accomplish a common task. The term can be defined in a technical way or in a broad way, taking into account social, political and organizational factors. In telecommunication, the term can be defined as the ability of systems or units to provide services to and accept services from other systems or units and to use the services exchanged to enable them to operate effectively together. With respect to software, the term interoperability is used to describe the capability of different programs to exchange data via a common set of business procedures, and to read and write the same file formats and use the same protocols.

Speakers: Chuck Hagan and Carla Boyce

Location: EOC, Big Room

9:00am- 9:15am

Debris Management- Debris Management continues to be one of the most challenging and expensive aspects of disaster response and recovery. To effectively meet this challenge each county must have an established debris management program that addresses clearing debris, removing, transporting and disposal of debris.

Speaker: Phil Worley

Location: EOC, Big Room

9:15am- 9:30am

Continuity of Operations- (COOP) is really a “good business practice” to ensure that county and state agencies can maintain and continue operations. A COOP plan should identify those essential functions that are critical missions to implement a transfer of vital essential functions to alternate locations in the event of an emergency of disaster resulting in disruption of normal and critical operations.

Speaker: Wendell Dumas

Location: EOC, Big Room

9:30am- 9:45am

Break

9:45am- 11:15am

Panel Discussion: House Bill- 7121- The 2006 Legislature passed comprehensive legislation relating to emergency management, sections of the bill make funds available to local and state agencies in response to lessons learned during the 2004-2005 hurricane seasons. This bill provides funding for:

- constructing or renovating county emergency operations centers and designated alternate facilities
- Equipping public special needs hurricane evacuation shelters with the permanent capacity to generate emergency power
- Retrofitting public hurricane evacuation shelters
- Improving logistical staging and warehouse capacity of commodities
- Enhancing hurricane evacuation planning
- Requiring alternate generated power capacity for motor fuel dispensing facility

Panel Members: Eve Rainey Moderator, Carla Boyce, Danny Kilcollins, Patrick Odom, and Chuck Hagan

Location: EOC, Big Room



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11:15am- 11:45am

SERT Liaison/National Guard Liaison Roles and

Responsibilities- SERT Liaisons are State resources tasked with facilitating communication of information between the SEOC and the impacted county. FLNG liaisons are resources available to the counties to coordinate FLNG resources within their county.

Speakers: Sheri Powers and MAJ Warfel

Location: EOC, Big Room

11:45am- 12:30pm

Break

12:30pm- 1:30pm

Department of Health: State and Local Coordination Issues-

- Concept of Operations within the framework of the State's CEMP
- State Pandemic Influenza Plan
- Rules and Procedures for reviewing Health Care Facilities
- Status of Home Health Care Agencies

(**Working Lunch**)

Speakers: Ray Runo and Carla Boyce

Location: EOC, Big Room

1:30pm- 2:00pm

State Warning Point- The Division of Emergency Management operates the State Warning Point, a 24hour emergency communications center that provides Florida with a single communications point for reporting incidents. The State Warning Point disseminates warnings to local, state and federal government officials of potential or unfolding emergencies, and collects information from the affected areas pertaining to potential or ongoing emergencies or disasters.

Speaker: Dawn Irvin

Location: EOC, Big Room

2:00pm- 2:30pm

Fire Management- Explain the differences between the PA Program (Disaster and Emergency Declarations) from the Fire Declarations including obtaining Declarations, Fire Cost Thresholds to qualify for FEMA assistance, eligibility issues, and reimbursement procedures. Also, discuss the status and circumstances of local agencies as applicants or as mutual aid assisters.

Speaker: Charles Bartel

Location: EOC, Big Room

2:30pm- 2:45pm

Break

2:45pm- 4:30pm

Breakout Sessions/ Office Hours:

County Logistics Planning- Counties will be required to develop a localized County Logistics Plan as an annex to their CEMP that supports and is supported by the State Unified Logistics Plan. The County Logistics Plan must address how the county will support local municipalities, unincorporated portions of the county, public shelters (general and special needs), critical facilities, County Staging Areas (CSAs) and County Points of Distribution (PODs); with resources such as emergency power, pumping, material handling equipment, food, water and medical supplies, as well as other necessary resources.

Moderators: Chuck Hagan and Connie Nunn

Location: Kelley Training Center, Sadowski Building 3rd Floor



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Disaster Recovery Centers (DRCs)- Set up to provide information and assistance to the victims of a disaster. In a disaster of significant size, each declared county will normally have a DRC established, responsibility for which is jointly shared by the state, FEMA and the county where they are located. To the extent practical, DRCs are staffed by representatives from each state, federal and local program which has a responsibility to provide services to victims.

Moderator: Bart Frost

Location: EOC, Conference Room 120C

GIS for Decision Making- GIS provides tools for decision makers and responders that will facilitate decisions which positively impact the outcome of an event. During activation, GIS provides support through ESF5: Information and Planning. During non-activation the primary goals of the GIS lab is to enable, assist and leverage technologies, information and datasets utilized by state agencies to perform their daily activities. The lab is responsible for, but not limited to:

- Spatial Analysis
- Groove Virtual Office
- Web Development

Moderators: Richard Butgereit and Erika Pitman

Location: EOC, Big Room

Temporary/Long Term Housing- This program is designed to provide assistance to affected individuals and households within Presidential-declared disaster zones to enable them to address disaster-related housing and other necessary expenses and serious needs, which cannot be met through other forms of disaster assistance, insurance, or through other means.

Moderator: Roy Dunn

Location: EOC, Conference Room 130D

5:30pm- 7:00pm

Current Issues Reception- Florida Emergency Preparedness Association

Location: University Center Club, Doak Campbell Stadium on the Florida State University Campus

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8:00am-9:30am

County CEMP Plan Review/Criteria/Chapter Rule 9G-6 Florida

Administrative Code- Florida has promoted all hazards planning at the state and local levels for more than three decades. Chapter 252 Florida statutes require the division to develop guidelines and criteria for local CEMPs and to review local plans on a periodic cycle. Recent planning requirements at the federal level and lessons learned from the recent hurricane seasons must be incorporated into the local plan criteria and adopted into Rule Chapter 9G-6 Florida Administrative Code.



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This presentation will outline the progress made to revise the local plan criteria and the timeline for rule development and adoption.

Speakers: Carla Boyce and Sean Loughlin

Location: EOC, Big Room

9:30am- 10:00am

El Nino Update/ Impact to Florida- According to the Climate Prediction Center and most meteorological experts, we have once again entered into an El Nino episode. El Nino is defined as an unusual warming of the waters in the equatorial Pacific region that impacts global weather patterns. Some of Florida's largest tornado outbreaks (1983, 1998) have been associated with strong El Nino events. Will this El Nino grow into a moderate or even strong event this winter? What is the potential temperature, rainfall, and severe weather impacts from this event during the upcoming months? Meteorologists from the Melbourne Weather Forecast Office have extensively studied El Nino's impacts on Florida's weather patterns and will provide a briefing on this year's event.

Speaker: Matt Hirsch, Melbourne Weather Forecast Office

Location: EOC, Big Room

10:30am-11:00am

Earthquake/Tsunamis/Tsunami Ready- A magnitude 6 earthquake in the central Gulf of Mexico following a 5.2 earthquake in the vicinity seven months earlier? What are the causes of this and does seismic activity need to be considered in Florida's emergency plans? Also, the National Weather Service is moving forward with their plans to make Florida's coastal communities "Tsunami-Ready". What are the specific tsunami threats to Florida and what do your beach communities need to do to become Tsunami-Ready? Dan Noah, the Warning Coordination Meteorologist from the Tampa Bay Weather Forecast Office, will fill you in on the details of this low-frequency but deadly events and how to meet the "Tsunami-Ready" criteria.

Speaker: Dan Noah, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, Tampa Bay Weather Forecast Office

Location: EOC, Big Room

11:00am- 11:15am

HazCollection/Warning Systems- The National Weather Service is developing an all-hazards emergency message collection system known as HazCollect. In the future, this system will collect and efficiently distribute non-weather emergency messages (NWEMs) through the National Weather Service's dissemination infrastructure, including NOAA Weather Radio and the Emergency Alert System (EAS). Emergency managers will use the Department of Homeland Security's Disaster Management Interoperability Services (DMIS) to write and post NWEM text messages. Dan Noah will review the plans for implementation of the HazCollect system in Florida.

Speaker: Dan Noah, Warning Coordination Meteorologist, Tampa Bay Weather Forecast Office

Location: EOC, Big Room



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Hazardous Weather Awareness Week 2007- Florida's annual Hazardous Weather Awareness Week takes place from February 12-16, 2007. State Meteorologist Ben Nelson will preview the week's activities and detail the distribution plans for the Lightning Ledger, which will be this year's hazardous weather guide.

Speaker: Ben Nelson

Location: EOC, Big Room

11:30am- 11:45am

Air Operations- The State Emergency Response Team has assembled representatives of every agency with a vested interest in aviation movements. This includes those agencies who do not necessarily have their own aircraft but have a need to facilitate movement of resources. A new SERT Air Operations Branch has been created to address these scenarios and develop plans to manage airspace safety, coordinate aircraft movement, and ensure a safe and efficient response.

Speaker: Dave Bujak

Location: EOC, Big Room

11:45am- 12:00pm

Questions & Answers

Speakers: W. Craig Fugate and Bureau Chiefs

Location: EOC, Big Room

12:00pm- 12:15pm

New EOC Video