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## Exercise Update

### HOMELAND SECURITY EXERCISE AND EVALUATION PROGRAM (HSEEP) TRAINING COURSE

An offering of the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP) Training Course was conducted from March 11-13, 2014, in Cuyahoga County. There were 28 students that completed the course, including representatives from local, state, and federal government agencies and non-governmental organizations. The course was instructed by Vikki Bunting, MEP and Darren Price, MEP from the Ohio Emergency Management Agency.

Questions in regard to changes to the HSEEP Doctrine and Methodology, All-Hazard EEM, or exercise questions in general should be directed to Darren Price, MEP, Ohio EMA Exercise Program Manager, at 614.799.3660 or via e-mail at [deprice@dps.state.oh.us](mailto:deprice@dps.state.oh.us)

## Training Updates

### INTRODUCTION TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT IN OHIO:

Ohio EMA ran the 29<sup>th</sup> Introduction to Emergency Management course this last March. Since 1985 this course has helped hundreds of students learn how emergency management functions in the state of Ohio. The class of 2014 had 32 students from varying backgrounds and agencies.

This 4-day course provides new emergency managers and staff with the knowledge, skills and tools needed to develop and effective emergency management program. The training provides information on basic emergency management concepts and functions and how they are applied in Ohio.

As a result of this annual training students had a chance to learn from various presenters and mentors about county and state roles. Attendees were also able to attain new professional contacts with seasoned professionals in the field of Emergency Management.

David Ogg, Director of Hocking County EMA was student in this year's class and had this to say; "I jokingly said during introductions that I only wanted to learn one thing, I accomplished that and much more. Probably the most impressive thing for me about not just the class, but EMA in Ohio as a whole, is the sense of having one mission, and the willingness of all involved to work together. Everyone that I have met, without exception, has had that same attitude, and willingness to work together so that lessons learned in one county help all counties to succeed."

This training continues to evolve every year and next year will be even better!



**2014 SPRING AND FALL DIRECTORS' CONFERENCES**

Just a reminder that the 2014 Spring Directors' Conference is scheduled for April 22-23 at the DoubleTree Worthington. If you have not registered please do so at: <https://trainingcampus.dps.ohio.gov/cm6/cm0682/home.html>. Once logged in, search key word "OH-200" in the Catalog ID. The room block for the conference was released to the public on March 31 but there may still be rooms available by calling 1-800-870-0349.

The 2014 Fall Directors' conference will be on September 4 at the Ohio Fire Academy. More information on that conference will be released in the next few months.

**Grants Gallery**

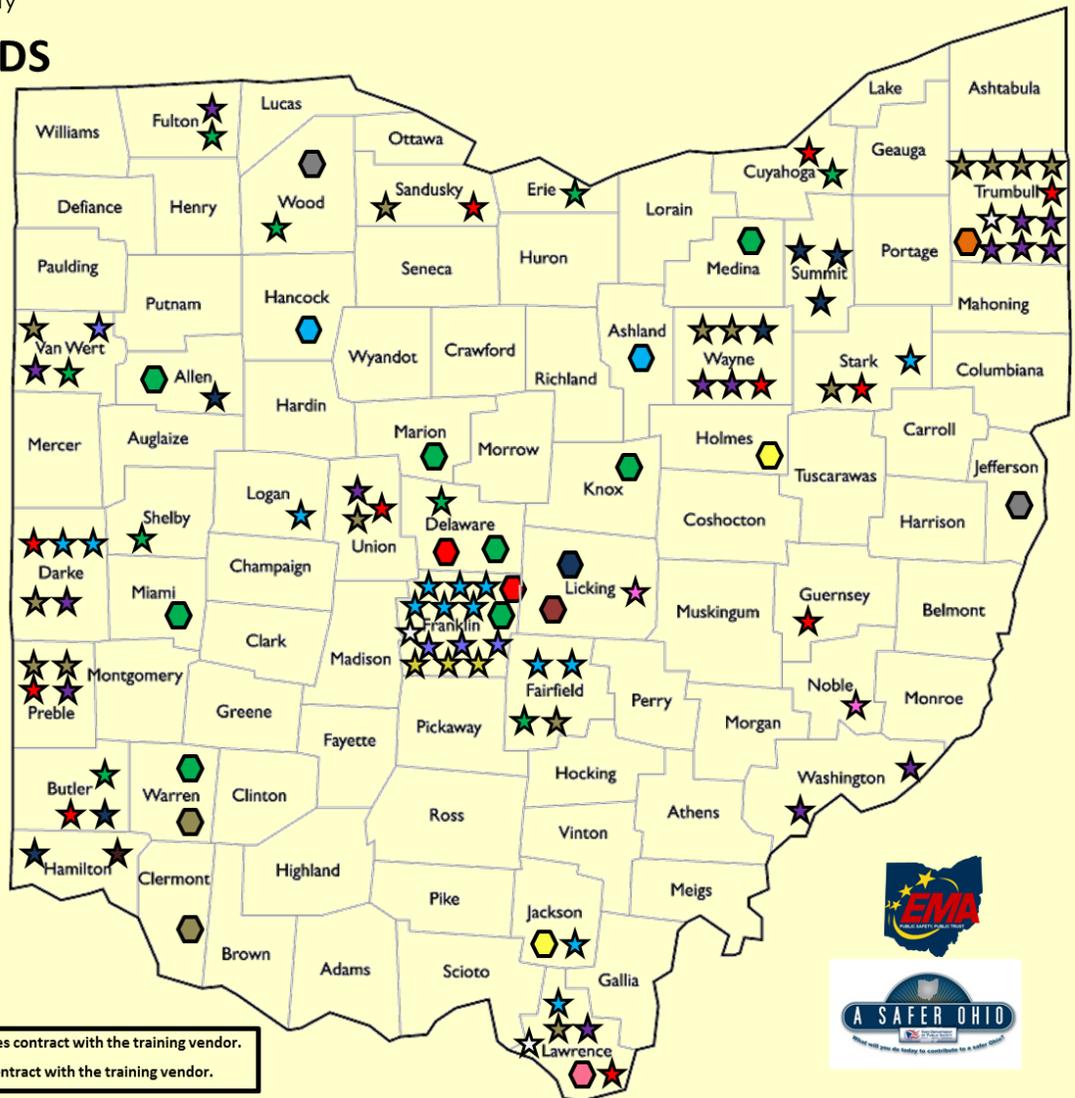
Please remember the FY2011 and FY2012 State Homeland Security Grants (SHGP) will be coming to a close soon. Before the end of the performance period, all items must be received and services complete. Should you have any questions or need assistance, please contact your grants specialist at your earliest convenience to ensure there is enough time to complete the projects.

The Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning (HMEP) Awards are broken into two parts; Planning and Training. All training must be directly related to hazardous materials, for on-scene first responders and meet NFPA 472 standards. Using HMEP funds, Ohio EMA was able to contract with vendors to provide hazmat training across the state and awarded funds to local county LEPCs to procure training locally. Please see the below map of training to be held. It has been the goal of Ohio EMA to spread out as much hazmat training as possible. Filling seats in the HMEP funded courses is important. If you see a training in another county that you have perspective students wanting to attend please reach out to them.

As exercise season ramps up, please know that exercises funded through HMEP must have a Hazmat Transportation scenario rather than a fixed facility

**2013 HMEP AWARDS**

HMO/HMSO	★ ●
HazMat IQ	★ ●
HazMat Awareness	★ ●
HazMat Operations	★ ●
HazMat Technician	★ ●
HazMat Refresher Courses	★ ●
Rail Car Awareness	★ ●
Rail Car Operations	★ ●
Rail Car Advanced	★ ●
HazMat Decon Awareness	●
HazMat Decon Operations	●
Alternative Fueled Vehicles	★
Propane Response	★
Chlorine Response	★
Incident Safety Officer	★



## Liaison Report

Field Operations has ramped up for LEPC exercise season. Many of you have already started the planning process, while others just beginning to consider exercise options. State Fiscal Year 2014 is the first year of the current four-year LEPC exercise cycle. As some of you may know, State Fiscal Years run from July 1 through June 30 and are named for the year in which they end. Field Operations would like to offer the following options for consideration;

- Utilize the building block approach in your exercise program. While you are at liberty to choose any type of exercise (Table-Top, Functional, Full-Scale), the demonstration of Objectives for complex incident scenarios are generally more successful when a progressive approach is applied. Consider first doing a table-top exercise to review the coordination of plans and procedures. This is an opportunity to look at the “rub points” between agency policies and responses. The table top exercise can then be followed up with a functional for full-scale exercise which would allow the players to demonstrate strategies and tactics that demonstrate the Objectives.
- Remember that you may utilize a facility which is subject to the plan or a transporter of materials that are identified or listed as hazardous materials by regulations adopted under the “Hazardous Materials Transportation Act.”
  - Facility Subject to the Plan – means the facility has an extremely hazardous substance (EHS) in an amount that exceeds the threshold planning quantities. Many such facilities actually have EHS and hazardous substances (HS). The LEPC may choose to use an EHS or HS in the scenario.
  - Transporter – means that the cargo should be a regulated substance and needs to be under active shipping papers.
  - The amount of product released, as described in the scenario, must be equal to or greater than the reportable quantity as defined for each chemical and must travel off site (in the case of a facility).

## Upcoming Trainings

1	OH-605 IA Damage Assessment Workshop	April 4, 2014	Defiance County
2	ICS-400: Advanced ICS Course	April 5 – 6, 2014	Vinton County
3	ICS-400: Advanced ICS Course	April 10 – 11, 2014	Cuyahoga County
4	ICS-300: Intermediate ICS Course	April 14 – 16, 2014	Lucas County EMA
5	ICS-400 Advanced ICS Course	April 16 – 17, 2014	Lucas County EMA
6	OH-200 Spring Directors' Conference	April 22 – 23, 2014	Ohio EMA
7	ICS-300: Intermediate ICS Course	April 26 – 27, 2014	Mansfield, OH
8	ICS-300: Intermediate ICS Course	April 28 – 30, 2014	Wayne & Medina County EMA
9	ICS-300: Intermediate ICS Course	April 29 – May 1, 2014	Franklin County
10	ICS-300: Intermediate ICS Course	April 29 – May 1, 2014	Summit County
11	ICS-400: Advanced ICS Course	April 29 – 30, 2014	Hamilton County
12	ICS-400: Advanced ICS Course	April 30 – May 1, 2014	Wayne & Medina County EMA
13	ICS-400: Advanced ICS Course	May 1 – 2, 2014	Franklin County
14	G271 Hazardous Weather & Flood Preparedness	May 6 – 8, 2014	Ohio EMA
15	ICS-400: Advanced ICS Course	May 6 – 7, 2014	Summit County
16	G557 Rapid Needs Assessment Course (formerly G250.7)	May 10, 2014	Mahoning County
17	ICS-300: Intermediate ICS Course	May 10, 11, & 17, 2014	Wayne & Medina County EMA
18	PER-304 Social Media for Natural Disaster Response and Recovery	May 13, 2014	Ohio EMA
19	L973 Finance/Administration Section Chief (FSC)	May 13 & 15, 2014	Stark County
20	ICS-400: Advanced ICS Course	May 17 & 18, 2014	Wayne & Medina County EMA
21	PER-229 Introduction to CAMEO Suite	May 20 – 22, 2014	Ohio EMA
22	PER-229 Introduction to CAMEO Suite	May 23 – 25, 2014	Wayne County
23	MGT345-Disaster Management for Electric Power Systems	May 27 – 28, 2014	Ohio EMA
24	L-965 Resources Unit Leader (RESL)	June 2 – 5, 2014	Warren County
25	MGT-343 Disaster Management for Water and Wastewater Utilities	June 3 – 4, 2014	Ohio EMA
26	G386 Mass Fatalities Incident	June 4-5, 2014	Ottawa County
27	G364 Multi-Hazard Planning for Schools	June 12-13, 2014	Franklin County
28	G557 Rapid Needs Assessment Course (formerly G250.7)	June 17, 2014	Ohio EMA

## Upcoming Trainings Continued

29	G290 & G291 Basic PIO Series	June 24 – 26, 2014	Ohio EMA
30	PER-304 Social Media for Natural Disaster Response and Recovery	August 27, 2014	Ohio EMA
31	ICS-300: Intermediate ICS Course	November 4 – 6, 2014	Franklin County
32	ICS-400: Advanced ICS Course	November 6 – 7, 2014	Franklin County
33	PER-304 Social Media for Natural Disaster Response and Recovery	November 19, 2014	Ohio EMA
34	PER-304 Social Media for Natural Disaster Response and Recovery	February 19, 2015	Ohio EMA
35	PER-304 Social Media for Natural Disaster Response and Recovery	May 14, 2015	Ohio EMA

### Proposed 2014 – 2015 G / OH Course Calendar

Below is the "Proposed" schedule for the Training Year 2014 – 2015 G/OH courses conducted at the Ohio EMA offices in Columbus.

- This schedule ensures that all APS Required Courses and most Elective Courses are offered at least once during the training year.
- This next year we are looking to add 5 additional courses: G-265 Basic Instructional Skills, G-311 Hazardous Materials Contingency Planning, G-361 Flood Fight Operations, G-366 Planning for the Special Needs of Children in Disaster & G-489 Management of Spontaneous Volunteers in Disasters.
- There are not yet specific dates for the OH - courses,

Individual counties may request to conduct additional sessions of these courses, depending on instructor and training fund availability. In addition the "Revised" G-364 Multi-Hazard Emergency Planning for Schools and G-402 ICS Overview for Executives and Senior Officials courses are available for request by the counties. These two courses are much more effective if offered at the county level. Counties are encouraged to submit their training requests at least 60-90 days in advance to allow sufficient time to coordinate instructors and course materials.

1	G265 Basic Instructional Skills	August, 2014	Ohio EMA
2	G361 Flood Fight operations	August, 2014	Ohio EMA
3	G191 ICS/EOC Interface	August, 2014	Ohio EMA
4	MGT347 Incident Command Systems (ICS) Forms Review	August, 2014	Ohio EMA
5	ICS-300: Intermediate ICS Course	August, 2014	Ohio EMA
6	ICS-400: Advanced ICS Course	September, 2014	Ohio EMA
7	G393 Mitigation For Emergency Managers	September, 2014	Ohio EMA
8	G386 Mass Fatalities Management	September, 2014	Ohio EMA
9	G311 Hazardous Material Planning	October, 2014	Ohio EMA
10	G290 & G291 Basic PIO Series	October, 2014	Ohio EMA
11	G235 Emergency Planning Course	October, 2014	Ohio EMA
12	L-449 Incident Command System (ICS) Curricula, Train-the-Trainer	October, 2014	Ohio EMA
13	G366 Planning for the Special Needs of Children in Disaster	November, 2014	Ohio EMA
14	G202 Debris Management	November, 2014	Ohio EMA
15	G270.4 Recovery from Disaster	January, 2015	Ohio EMA
16	G288/G489 Management of Volunteers and Donations	January, 2015	Ohio EMA
17	MGT347 Incident Command Systems (ICS) Forms Review	February, 2015	Ohio EMA
18	G358 Evacuation and Re-Entry Planning	February, 2015	Ohio EMA
19	ICS-300: Intermediate ICS Course	February, 2015	Ohio EMA
20	G108 / G366 Community Mass Care & Emergency Assistance/ Special Needs of Children in Disaster	March, 2015	Ohio EMA
21	ICS-400: Advanced ICS Course	March, 2015	Ohio EMA
22	G775 EOC Operations	March, 2015	Ohio EMA
23	G290/291 Basic PIO Series	April, 2015	Ohio EMA
24	G271 Hazardous Weather and Flooding Preparedness	May, 2015	Ohio EMA
25	L-449 Incident Command System (ICS) Curricula, Train-the-Trainer	May, 2015	Ohio EMA
26	G265 Basic Instructional Skills	May, 2015	Ohio EMA
27	G557 Rapid Needs Assessment Course (formerly G250.7)	June, 2015	Ohio EMA

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