Ohio Department of Safety Director John Born, standing at podium, addresses the Campus EM summit

36 colleges participate in summit at Ohio EMA

College and university emergency managers seek common bonds

COLUMBUS -- Nearly 70 college and university emergency management professionals from around Ohio gathered at the first-ever Ohio Campus Emergency Management Summit at the Ohio Emergency Management Agency April 5.

"You are responsible for protecting some of Ohio's most valuable assets," said John Born, director of the Ohio Department of Public Safety, in his welcome to the group.

In the day-long summit, campus emergency managers heard from their counterparts from other colleges on a wide variety of topics including drones; "Game Day" preparation; pre-event planning; active shooter scenario; and "Partners in Preparedness," focusing on campus and county emergency managers working together. The college and university emergency managers also toured the State of Ohio Emergency Operations Center.

"We're excited to bring a large group of campus and university emergency managers together for the first time," said Sima Merick, executive director of the Ohio Emergency Management Agency. "This excellent networking opportunity will lead to better collaboration among campus emergency managers and help bring local emergency managers and their college and university partners together."

Thirty-six of Ohio's colleges and universities were represented at the summit, which was sponsored by the Ohio Emergency Management Agency and the Ohio Department of Higher Education.

FEMA releases new Damage Assessment Operations Manual

On April 5, 2016, FEMA released their new Damage Assessment Operations Manual. The manual combines the roles and responsibilities and damage assessment requirements for both Individual Assistance (IA) (homes and businesses) and Public Assistance (PA) (government and eligible private non-profit organizations). Summarized below are significant changes from past criteria and/or processes. The entire document can be found at http://www.fema.gov/media-library/assets/documents/109040

Individual Assistance (IA)

There is one significant change to the "Major" category for a conventionally built home in a flood event. The revised criteria is: Waterline above 18 inches in an essential living space, a waterline above the electrical outlets, or **a waterline on the first floor of a residence when the basement is completely full.** Also note, references to habitability and length of time to repair a structure have been removed. FEMA also no longer uses "primary" living space, rather refers to "essential" living space . Essential living space is defined as: occupied bedrooms,

Training opportunities throughout Ohio

366 Planning for the Needs of Children in Disaster, May 12, 2016, Symmes Township Public Safety Building, 8871 Weekly Lane, Cincinnati, Ohio 45249
Course Description: This eight hour course enables participants to improve their community's Mitigation and Emergency Operations Plan (EOP), specifically regarding the needs of children. It provides participants with the information needed to address the unique needs of children prior to, during, and following disasters. It also provides guidance and direction on how to form coalitions and advocate for the unique needs of children in all aspects of

emergency management. **This is an "elective" course in the Advanced Professional Series (APS) program**

OH605b IA Damage Assessment Train-the-Trainer, May 17, 2016, Lucas County EOC, 2144 Monroe Street, Toledo, OH 43604
Course Description: This two hour course prepares students to perform, organize and teach IA Damage Assessment. This course provides a detailed overview of the following topics related to post-

1	ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	May 2 - 4, 2016	Jefferson County
2	G290 & G291 Basic PIO Series	May 3-5, 2016	Summit County
3	L146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation (HSEEP) Program	May 3 – 5, 2016	Lucas County
4	L449 ICS Curricula Train the Trainer Course	May 3 – 6, 2016	Ohio EMA
5	L969 Communications Unit Leader (COML)	May 3 – 6, 2016	Medina County
6	ICS-400 Advanced ICS	May 9 - 10, 2016	Jefferson County
7	L146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program	May 10 – 12, 2016	Ohio EMA
8	ICS-400 Advanced ICS	May 12 – 13, 2016	Hamilton County
9	G366 Planning for Special of Children	May 12, 2016	Hamilton County
10	ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	May 16 - 18, 2016	Morrow County
11	OH-605b IA Damage Assessment Train the Trainer	May 17, 2016	Lucas County
12	G191 ICS/EOC Interface Course	May 18, 2016	Hamilton County
13	ICS-400 Advanced ICS	May 18 - 19, 2016	Morrow County
14	G402 ICS For Executives	May 19, 2016	Medina County
15	ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	May 23 - 25, 2016	Delaware County
16	L146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation (HSEEP) Program	May 24 – May 26, 2016	Muskingum County
17	ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	May 24 - 26, 2016	Defiance County
18	ICS-400 Advanced ICS	May 25 - 26, 2016	Delaware County
19	L146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation (HSEEP) Program	May 31 - June 2, 2016	Summit County
20	G290 / G291 Basic PIO Series	June 1 - 3, 2016	Cuyahoga County
21	ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	June 1 - 3, 2016	Cuyahoga County
22	ICS-400 Advanced ICS	June 6 - 7, 2016	Lake County
23	L146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation (HSEEP) Program	June 7 - 9, 2016	Muskingum County
24	G291 JIC / JIS	June 9, 2016	Hamilton County
25	G775 EOC Management and Operations	June 13 -14, 2016	Cuyahoga County
26	L958 NIMS ICS All-Hazards Operations Section Chief	June 14 – 17, 2016	Ohio EMA
27	L969 Communications Unit Leader (COML)	June 21 – 23, 2016	Hamilton County
28	ICS-400 Advanced ICS	June 28 - 29, 2016	Defiance County
29	G191 ICS/EOC Interface Course	August 4, 2016	Franklin County
30	MGT-323 Instructor Development Workshop	August 9 - 11, 2016	Ohio EMA
31	G191 ICS/EOC Interface Course	August 23, 2016	Paulding County
32	ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	Sept. 13, 14 & 15, 2016	Hamilton County
33	G393 Mitigation for Emergency Managers	September 13 - 15, 2016	Ohio EMA
34	ICS-400 Advanced ICS	September 16 - 17, 2016	Portage County
35	G288 Local Volunteer & Donations Mgmt	September 26 – 27, 2016	Paulding County
36	ICS-400 Advanced ICS	October 12 - 13, 2016	Hamilton County
37	ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	October 25 - 27, 2016	Summit County
38	ICS-400 Advanced ICS	November 2 - 3, 2016	Summit County
39	ICS-300 Intermediate ICS	May 2 - 4, 2016	Jefferson County

Training Opportunities ,

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event assessment of the impact and magnitude of natural and person-made disasters to the private sector.

• An overview of the local damage assessment process
• Criteria for private sector impacts
• Local damage assessment information reporting methods and standards for private sector
• Training local teams: Composition or membership of damage assessment teams
• Roles and Responsibilities of the Individual Assistance Damage Assessment Coordinator and team leads

G291 Joint Information Center / Joint Information System (JIC/JIS) Planning Course, May 12, 2016, Cincinnati - Hamilton County Regional Operations Center, 2000 Radcliff Drive, Cincinnati, Ohio 45204
Course Description: This course builds on individual Public Information Officer (PIO) competencies by applying those skills in an expanding incident where coordination is enhanced through activation of a Joint Information System (JIS) and establishment of a Joint Information Center (JIC). This training will equip PIOs with the skills needed to establish and operate in a JIS/JIC. Participants will also gain a working knowledge of operational practices for performing PIO duties within the National Incident Management System (NIMS) Multi-Agency Coordination System. The course will demonstrate how JIC concepts are applied in a flexible and scalable manner at the local level.

G393 Mitigation for Emergency Managers, September 26 - 27, 2016, Ohio Emergency Management Agency, 2855 West Dublin Granville Road, Columbus, OH 43235
Course Description: This free course is designed to enable the non-technical emergency worker to acquire skills in the use of mitigation. The course provides training in how to perform mitigation activities fundamental to reducing and eliminating long-term risk from hazards. It addresses the important roles of the Emergency Program Manager (or other local government representative) in mitigation: motivator, coordinator, and monitor in local implementation of the National Mitigation Strategy. This is a "Required" course in the Advanced Professional Series (APS) program.

L969 Communications Unit Leader (COML)
May 3 - 6, 2016, Medina Co EMA, 555 Independence Drive, Medina, OH 44256
Course Description: This free four-day course helps attendees
 establish the essential core competencies required for performing the duties of the COMM UL in an all-hazards incident. This course

addresses all responsibilities appropriate to a COMM UL operating in a local- or state-level AHIMT. These responsibilities include the collection, processing and dissemination as needed to facilitate operations of command, general staff, and unit leaders within the confines of a Type 3 AH Incident Management Team. The course is an instructor-led training that supports learning through discussion, lecture, and active participation in multiple exercises. By requiring attendees to bring Communications Unit Leader Kit to the instruction, the course provides a realistic, hands-on approach to mastering the skills of a COMM UL.

AWR-308 Natural Disaster Awareness for Senior Caregivers Course (NDPTC Course)
May 27, 2016, Cincinnati-Hamilton County Regional Operations Center, 2000 Radcliff Drive, Cincinnati, OH 45204
Course Description: This four-hour course is designed to enhance the caregiver's awareness of vulnerability factors associated with senior citizens. Senior citizens are particularly vulnerable to natural hazards. Factors such as physical limitations, mental ailments, and medication requirements are issues of concern for caregivers of senior citizens. These specific needs, amongst other considerations for natural hazards, must be addressed in preparedness plans for these at-risk citizens. Participants will learn how to identify, prepare, and perform a number of support activities that will ensure the safety and security of senior citizens when a natural hazard event occurs. Particular attention is directed toward developing an awareness of the preparedness and response needs of all senior citizens, inclusive of economic, medical, cognitive and mobility determinants. **Access the following link to register for the course on the National Disaster Preparedness Training Center (NDPTC) website:** https://ndptc.hawaii.edu/training/delivery/1458
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L958 NIMS ICS All-Hazards Operations Section Chief
June 14 - 17, 2016, Ohio Emergency Management Agency, 2855 West Dublin Granville Road, Columbus, OH 43235
Course Description: This free four-day course is designed to provide local and state-level emergency responders with a robust under-standing of the duties, responsibilities, and capabilities of an effective OSC on an All-Hazards Incident Management Team. These responsibilities fall into two categories: 1) responding to the incident and the command needs of the incident, and 2) effectively fulfilling the position responsibilities of an Operations Section Chief on an All-Hazards ICS Incident Management Team. Exercises, simulations, discussions, and a final exam enable students to process and apply their new knowledge.

MGT-323 Instructor Development Workshop
August 9 - 11, 2016, Ohio Emergency Management Agency, 2855 West Dublin Granville Road, Columbus, OH 43235
Course Description: This free three-day course primarily serves to give instructors, most of whom already have years of instructional

Seam Miller, Delaware County EMA Director, speaks at a tabletop exercise at the Columbus Zoo.

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experience within their own organizations, insight into adult education principles as well as the opportunity to comment on and improve their instructional style. The course focuses on enhancing instructional skills that may be applied within DHS-certified courses, but it also discusses organization-specific policies, procedures and practices. The goal of this course is to ensure instructional excellence by providing a forum for experienced instructors to share their experiences with participants and learn together, both during discussions of instructional techniques and in commenting on each other's presentation skills during prepared teach-backs.

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bathrooms, kitchen, dinette, and living room. Recreational and other common areas (i.e. laundry) in a basement are non-essential living space, and assessments and damage should be evaluated as though the basement is unfinished. Finally, FEMA is requesting the damage assessment team take one photograph of each structure evaluated as major and destroyed. The photograph should easily depict the reason the structure was assessed as major or destroyed. It is recommended that the photo be taken close up as opposed to landscapes from the street. For flood events, waterlines should be easily visible in the photo.

Public Assistance (PA)

The changes to damage assessment for PA center around the detail and documentation required to support estimated costs. When assessing damage to infrastructure, the applicants will need to support estimated costs with damage dimensions, material

Damage Assessment Tools

WebEOC: The Disaster Recovery Branch (DRB) continues to work with WebEOC staff at Ohio EMA to enhance the damage assessment boards. Once finished, there will be separate boards for Individual Assistance (IA) and Public Assistance (PA) and the ability to upload attachments such as "street sheets" and the PA Damage Assessment form and photos. We need to incorporate FEMA's changes outlined below and then the boards will be available for use. Anticipate completion by late spring.

Damage Assessment Applications: DRB is currently working with the State of Indiana and Ohio EMA's WebEOC and GIS staff to make available a damage assessment app

quantities and size or capacity of facility elements. Estimates should include calculations. Locations should be documented using street addresses or GPS and should be mapped. Large projects (currently anything estimated at $121,800 and over) will require additional documentation such as copies of contract estimates,

developed by Indiana for conducting IA damage assessment. The app can be used with any Apple, Android or Windows system. The app allows for damage assessment to be conducted even without connectivity. Availability for this app won't likely occur until the fall but it is on the horizon!

Assistance Toolbox: The Assistance Toolbox will be updated by late spring to account for FEMA's changes.

Training: DRB staff is also updating training materials and will be ready for a busy year bringing training to a county like yours. Once training materials are updated, please coordinate scheduling training through Ohio EMA's Training Section.

bids, etc. FEMA will also more thoroughly access insurance coverage, therefore, if insurable facilities are damaged, applicants should bring copies of their insurance policies. Finally, a more thorough review of the eligibility of private non-profit organizations will be conducted during the damage assessment process.