



This Week in Ohio EMA



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County EMAs to receive briefing on the Intrastate Mutual Aid Compact

County emergency management agency directors have been invited to attend the first in a series of sessions on the Ohio Intrastate Mutual Aid Compact (IMAC) on April 24, at the state Emergency Operations Center. This session will provide information to county EMAs on how to incorporate IMAC into a local response framework.

According to the Ohio Revised Code 5502.41, the intrastate mutual aid compact is to complement existing mutual aid agreements in the event of a disaster that results in a formal declaration of emergency by a participating political subdivision.

The program shall provide for -

- Mutual assistance among the participating political subdivision in response to and recovery from any disaster that results in a formal declaration of emergency by a participating subdivision;
- Mutual cooperation among the participating political subdivision in conducting disaster-related exercises, testing or other training activities using the services, equipment supplies, materials, personnel and other resources of the participating political subdivisions to simulate the provision of mutual aid; and
- Embody a method by which a participating political subdivision may seek assistance in the event of a formally declared emergency ... and will ensure eligibility for available state and federal disaster funding.



Ohio EMA file photo - State Emergency Operations Center.

County EMAs will receive information on IMAC legislation; responsibilities of local emergency management agencies, first response entities and Ohio EMA; IMAC operations manual; IMAC forms and integration of IMAC into the overall response.



Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant.

Portsmouth to House Gas Centrifuge Uranium Enrichment Plant

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission recently issued the U.S. Enrichment Corporation (USEC) a license to construct and operate a gas centrifuge uranium enrichment plant at the Portsmouth Gaseous Diffusion Plant. The facility will be named the American Centrifuge Plant and will use a design based on gas centrifuge technology developed by the U.S. Department of Energy to enrich uranium for use in fuel for commercial nuclear plants.

Homeland Security Current Threat Level (Domestic & International Flights):

HIGH



Azerbaijans Tour State EOC

Fifteen planners from Azerbaijan were given a tour and briefing of the state Emergency Operations Center by the executive staff on April 13. The planners were comparing emergency management issues that the United States deals with to that of their country. Through use of interpreters, Ohio EMA briefed the guests for an hour.

Azerbaijan is located between Russia and Iran.

Places to Protect

Technical Support staff recently attended a meeting to observe the function of a database product called *Places to Protect*. This commercially available database contains lists of places that have captive populations that cannot readily move or evacuate during times of emergencies, such as schools, hospitals, nursing homes, etc. Although the state has access to databases that list most of what this product does, *Places to Protect* is more convenient because it is a single compiled source.

Ohio EMA invited members of the GIS support center to observe the Davis-Besse dry run to see how the agency might be able to benefit from *Places to Protect* or other products that can assist during disaster response.



Ohio Public Works Expo 2007 - Debris Management May 16, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. and May 17, 8:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. Park Inn Toledo and Seagate Convention Centre 101 North Summit Street - Toledo

Cost: \$85 for SWANA, SMSO and APWO members; \$125 for non-members
Contact Sheryl Smith, Chapter Training Chair, Ohio Buckeye Chapter of SWANA, 614-899-9288
Go to www.swanaohio.org to view APWA 2007 Debris Management Course agenda

Presented by Ohio Buckeye Chapter of SWANA, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and Ohio Emergency Management Agency

The Debris Management Course provides an overview of issues and recommended actions needed to plan for, respond to, and recover from a major debris-generating event. The course is intended for public works officials, solid waste district managers, engineers, environmental compliance managers, public information officers, attorneys and procurement/contracting officials who are responsible for planning and/or implementing debris removal and disposal actions.

The Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA) has approved 10 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) for the following certifications:

- Manager of Landfill or Bioreactor Operations
- Manager of Construction and Demolition Materials
- Manager of Solid Waste Management Systems
- Manager of Recycling, Composting, Collection or Transfer Operations

Participants will receive 10 CEUs for each certification obtained.

EMA Updates

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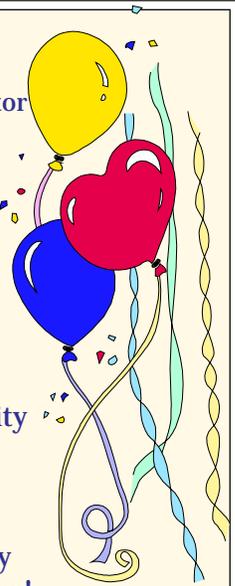
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Open House / Farewell Party

For **Donna Monell**, Deputy Director
 Franklin County Office of
 Emergency Management and
 Homeland Security, after 19
 years of dedicated service.

Celebrations begin Monday,
 April 23, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
 Franklin County Emergency
 Management & Homeland Security
 5300 Strawberry Farms Blvd.
 Columbus, Ohio

Her last day with Franklin County
 is April 27. Congratulations, Donna!



Conference for Behavioral Health Providers, First Responders and Volunteer Networks



Joining Forces 2007 Conference

Columbus Marriott North
 6500 Doubletree Avenue
 Columbus, Ohio 43229
 May 30 - 31, 2007

Sponsored by the Ohio Community Service Council, Ohio Department
 of Mental Health and Southeastern Ohio Universities College of
 Medicine. Additional information available at: www.garrisonevents.com

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
15 <i>Mitigation Progress Reports Due (1st Qtr)</i>	16 Medical TAC Ohio EMA	17 DBNPS Dry Run Damage Assessment Ohio EMA HazMat TAC Ohio EMA	18 Debris Management (4/18 through 4/19, noon) Ohio EMA Incident Mgmt. TAC Ohio EMA	19 Cost Documentation (afternoon of 4/19)	20	21 Fayette & Highland Counties - Tabletop Exercise
22	23 Canine TAC ODOT	24	25 Water TAC Ohio EMA	26	27	28
Orientation to Emergency Management in Ohio - POSTPONED						
29	30	May 1	2	3 School Incident Resp. TAC - ODOT	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Instructional Skills - Ohio EMA						

Register for Ohio EMA courses by visiting <http://ema.state.oh.us/training>
 TAC - Technical Advisory Committee