



Ohio EMA Field Journal

Supporting Local Programs through Grants, Training, Exercising, Planning and Field Support

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TRAINING UPDATE

Currently Ohio EMA has 35 classes scheduled around the state. A few of the classes to highlight are as follows:

1. AWR-316 Hazardous Materials Emergency Response (HMER), January 27, 2015 at Ohio EMA, Columbus, Ohio (One-day course)
2. PER-311 Hazardous Materials Emergency Response-Hands-On-Training, January 28, 2015 at Ohio EMA, Columbus, Ohio (One-day course)
3. PER-320 Personal Protective Measures for Biological Events, February 4, 2015 at Ohio EMA, Columbus, Ohio (One-day course)
4. PER-320 Personal Protective Measures for Biological Events, February 5, 2015 at Ohio EMA, Columbus, Ohio (One-day course)

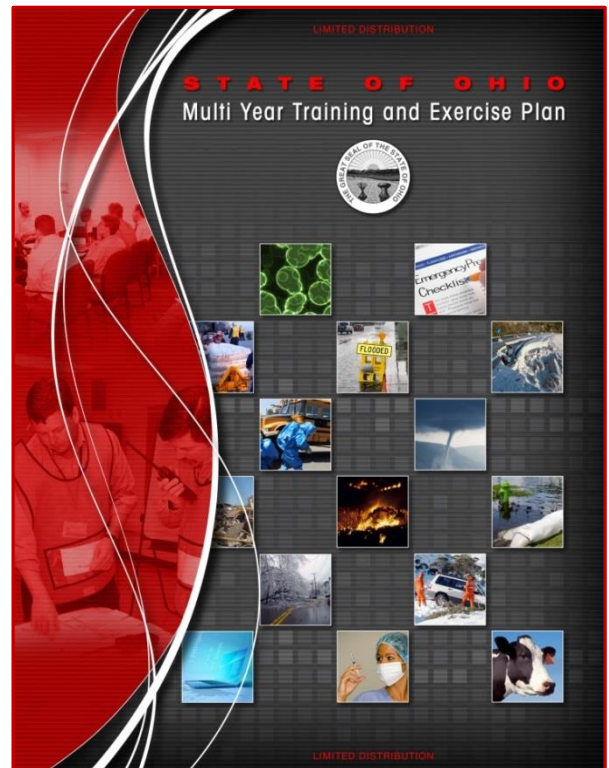
Anyone that has a user profile in our Public Safety Training Campus (PSTC) and is interested in attending the above courses should send an email request to Lisa Jones at ljones@dps.ohio.gov and she will take care of the registration.

EXERCISE UPDATE

As many of you are aware, there is a grant requirement to conduct a Training and Exercise Plan Workshop (TEPW) on an annual basis. This long-standing workshop has been conducted annually since 2003 and is designed to capture local, regional, UASI, and state-level exercises and supporting training. The intent of the workshop is not to capture every exercise and training course being conducted but rather those exercises and training courses that are directly related to the program priorities. Those program priorities are identified as part of the analysis of after action report trends from real-world incidents and exercises. The outcome of the workshop is a Multi-Year Training and Exercise Plan (TEP).

The format for the 2014 TEPW is different from what we have traditionally conducted in the past, as it will be a virtual TEPW, with the option of replying via Survey Monkey or an Excel spreadsheet. It is anticipated that the time to complete the survey, via Survey Monkey or by completing an optional Excel, will be less than 30 minutes.

Participation in the TEPW is required for the UASI areas. Participation is also mandatory if a county or region intends to submit a regional application for a homeland security project that includes exercises or training as part of the deliverables for the project(s). It is also required for any state agency that intends to apply for exercise support or funding. Otherwise, participation is voluntary, although we are asking for your participation so we can capture the exercises and supporting training courses that are scheduled, projected, or desired across the state. The time-frame covered by the revised Multi-Year TEP will be calendar year 2015-2017.



The deadline for completing the survey, via Survey Monkey or submitting the Excel spreadsheet survey is **January 30, 2015**. The survey can be completed online at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/OEMA2015_2017TEP Please understand that you cannot save your progress and the survey must be completed once it is started.

Questions concerning the TEPW should be directed to David Nunley, Training/Exercise Supervisor, at (614) 799-3677 or via e-mail at dbnunley@dps.ohio.gov



GRANTS GALLERY

We received an information bulletin from FEMA further explaining the anticipated grant timelines.

The Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015 (Pub. L. No. 113-235), which Congress passed and President Obama signed on Dec. 16, 2014, does not provide the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) with a full year appropriation and continues to place DHS under a continuing resolution through at least Feb. 27, 2015. Because FEMA cannot administer Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 grant programs without a final FY 2015 appropriation, the continuing resolution delays the start of FEMA's FY 2015 grant cycle. The length of that delay is dependent on the enactment of a final FY 2015 DHS appropriation, either in the form of a stand-alone DHS appropriations act or a full-year continuing resolution, as long as the resolution provides DHS and FEMA full year funding for FY 2015. FEMA can begin implementing the FY 2015 grant programs as soon as, but not before, the President signs a final FY 2015 spending bill.

The absence of a final FY 2015 appropriations act delays the implementation of FEMA non-disaster grant programs that would otherwise already be initiated in FY 2015, including the Emergency Management Performance Grant (EMPG) Program; the State Homeland Security Grant Program; the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) Grant Program; the Operation Stonegarden Grant Program; the Transit Security Grant Program; the Port Security Grant Program; the Tribal Homeland Security Grant Program; the Nonprofit Security Grant Program; and the Intercity Passenger Rail Grant Program.

Please remember to turn in your quarterly reports for all open State Homeland Security Grants and Master Asset Tracking Sheet by January 31. Beginning January 1, sub-grantees of the SHSP Grant Award will be required to submit all of the procurement documentation also with their request for cash.

Questions on these topics can be forwarded to Kathleen Nelson, Grants Administrator at KNelson@dps.ohio.gov or by phone 614-799-3836

FIELD SUPPORT

Looking back over the past year, Field Operations has been serving the citizens of Ohio on many fronts. Below is the list of Ohio EOC activations and monitored events:

- Propane (statewide) (January 17 – March 1)
- Snow and Ice (statewide) (March 2-3)
- Mumps Outbreak (statewide) (March – June)
- Oil Pipeline Leak – Glen Oak Nature Preserve (Hamilton County) (March 18)
- Medina County Oil Spill – Closed Well (March 20)
- Garrettsville Fire (Portage County) (March 22)
- Single Home Slip in Sandusky County (April)
- Hide-Away-Homes Slip (Hocking County) (April)
- Carbon Monoxide Evacuation (April)
- Perry Nuclear Power Plant Unusual Event (Lake County) (April)
- Measles Outbreak (statewide) (April 25-June)
- Flash Flooding and Severe Weather (Lorain, Summit, Cuyahoga, Medina) – May 21
- Highland County Severe Storm (June 4)
- Gallipolis Water Main Break (Gallia County) (June 2-10)
- Columbiana County Storm Damage (June 11)
- Stark County Flooding (June 17)
- Toledo Water (Lucas County) (August)
- Ebola (statewide) (October)
- Stalder Well Pad, Sarcis, Ohio (Monroe County) (December 8-24)

Ohio EMA will continue to provide support in 2015. Thank you all for a continued partnership in keeping Ohio safe.



Monroe County Gas Release December, 2014



FIELD SUPPORT cont.

FIELD OFFICES

The Regional Operations Branch is in the process of establishing regional offices in five locations around the state. The target date for the regional offices being operational is January 30, 2015. Until our new-hires are stood-up please continue to work with your current field liaisons. It is our goal that there will be no gaps in support to the counties while we are transitioning and that the transition will be as smooth as possible. If there are any problems with support don't hesitate to call Ted Filer at (614) 799-3688 or email at cefiler@dps.state.oh.us.

Region 1

Northwest Ohio office will be located in Findlay (Hancock County)
8210 County Road (CR) 140
Findlay, Ohio 45840

Region 2

Northeast Ohio office will be located in Parma (Cuyahoga County)
12000 Snow Road
Parma, Ohio 44130

Region 3

Central Ohio office will be located in Columbus (Franklin County)
2855 West Dublin Granville Road
Columbus, Ohio 43235

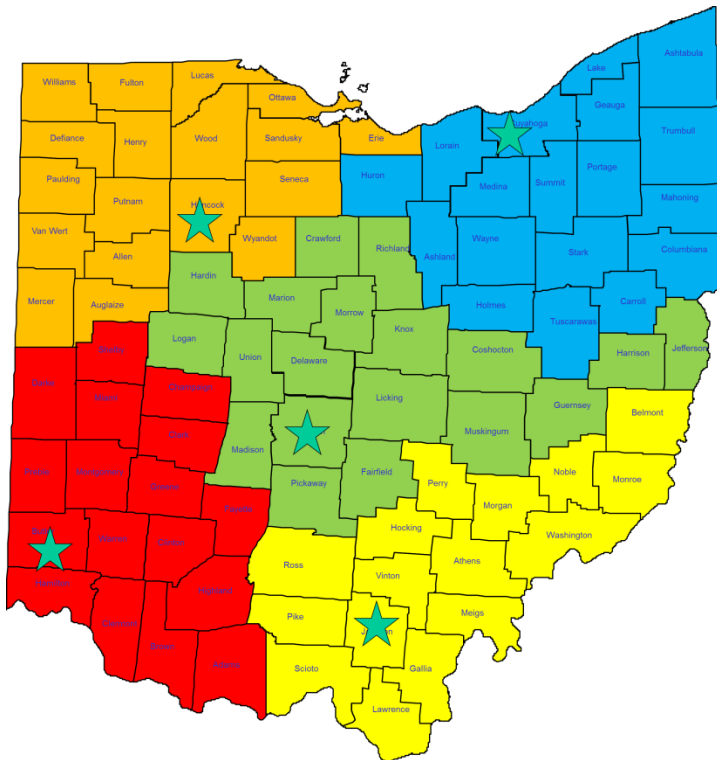
Region 4

Southwest Ohio office will be located in West Chester (Butler County)
2950 East Crescentville Road
West Chester, Ohio 45069

Region 5

Southeast Ohio office will be located in Jackson (Jackson County)
502 Mc Carty Lane
Jackson, Ohio 45640

All offices will be located in existing DPS facilities, most of them in BMV offices. Floor plans are being finalized, offices will soon be constructed, Disaster Services Supervisors and Disaster Services Consultant-2s job opportunities have been announced and will soon be interviewed. Equipment is being gathered to include vehicles, office furniture and office equipment. We are also working on orientation and train-up of our new-hires.



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Jackson County Office Location



PLANNING POST

The 2014 state of Ohio Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA) and State Preparedness Report (SPR) are complete and ready for submission to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). States must submit a THIRA and SPR to FEMA by the end of each year to maintain eligibility to receive federal preparedness grants. This year's submission also includes completed THIRAs from Ohio's Urban Area Security Initiative cities Columbus, Cleveland, and Cincinnati.

The THIRA is a tool that allows a jurisdiction to understand its threats and hazards and how the impacts may vary according to time of occurrence, season, location, and other community factors. This knowledge helps a jurisdiction establish informed and defensible capability targets. The SPR is an annual self-assessment of state preparedness capabilities based on planning, organization, equipment, training, exercising, and mutual aid.

Both documents evaluate the 31 core capabilities outlined in the National Preparedness Goal, which is part of Presidential Policy Directive (PPD) 8: National Preparedness. PPD-8 describes the Nation's approach to preparing for the threats and hazards that pose the greatest risk to the security of the United States. The core capabilities contained in the Goal are the distinct critical elements necessary for our Nation's success.

The Ohio THIRA and SPR will be used to inform the National Preparedness Report developed by FEMA. The National Preparedness Report summarizes progress in building, sustaining, and delivering the 31 core capabilities. Its intent is to provide the Nation with practical insights on core capabilities that can inform decisions about program priorities, resource allocation, and community actions.

UPCOMING TRAINING

1	G-270.4 Recovery From Disaster	Jan. 13-14, 2015	Ohio EMA
2	L146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program	Jan. 13 - 15, 2015	Jackson County
3	ICS-400 Advanced Course	Jan. 17 – 18, 2015	Miami County
4	G-366 Planning for Special Needs of Children	Jan. 22, 2015	Ashtabula County
5	AWR-316 Hazardous Materials Emergency Response (HMER)	Jan. 27, 2015	Ohio EMA
6	PER-311 Hazardous Materials Emergency Response-Hands-On-Training	Jan. 28, 2015	Ohio EMA
7	G288 Local volunteer and Donations Management & G489 Management of Spontaneous Volunteers	Jan. 27-29, 2015	Ohio EMA
8	L146 Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program	Jan. 28 - 30, 2015	Hamilton County
9	ICS-300 Intermediate Course	Feb. 2 – 4, 2015	Cuyahoga County
10	MGT-347 ICS Forms Review Course (TEEX Instructors)	Feb. 3, 2015	Ohio EMA
11	ICS-300 Intermediate Course (TEEX Instructors)	Feb. 3 – 5, 2015	Ohio EMA
12	G-366 Planning for Special Needs of Children	Feb. 4, 2015	Hamilton County
13	PER-320 Personal Protective Measures for Biological Events Course	Feb. 4, 2015 (1 Day Course)	Ohio EMA
14	PER-320 Personal Protective Measures for Biological Events Course	Feb. 5, 2015 (1 Day Course)	Ohio EMA
15	ICS-300 Intermediate Course	Feb. 9 – 11, 2015	Canton City Course/Stark County
16	ICS-400 Advanced Course	Feb. 12 – 13, 2015	Canton City Course/Stark County
17	ICS-400 Advanced Course	Feb. 10 – 11, 2015	Cuyahoga County
18	G358 Evacuation and Re-Entry Planning	Feb. 10 – 11, 2015	Ohio EMA
19	PER-304 Social Media for Natural Disaster Response and Recovery	Feb. 19, 2015	Ohio EMA
20	G191 ICS / EOC Interface	Feb. 20, 2015	Cuyahoga County
21	G290 & G291 Basic Public Information Officer Series	Feb. 23-25, 2015	Jackson County
22	OH-230 Introduction to Emergency Management in Ohio	Feb. 23-26, 2015	Franklin County – Double Tree
23	G-289 Public Information Officer (PIO) Awareness Course	Feb. 26, 2015	Medina County
24	ICS-400 Advanced Course (TEEX Instructors)	March 3 -4, 2015	Ohio EMA
25	L962 Planning Section Chief Course	March 9 – 12, 2015	Cuyahoga County
26	G108 & G366 Mass Care & Special Needs of Children	March 10-12, 2015	Ohio EMA
27	G108 Community Mass Care	March 12-13, 2015	Medina County
28	G-270.4 Recovery From Disaster	March 17-18, 2015	Washington County
29	G775 EOC Management and Operations	March 24 – 25, 2015	Ohio EMA
30	G290 & G291 Basic Public Information Officer Series	April 7-9, 2015	Ohio EMA
31	OH-200 Spring Directors' Conference	April 15 - 16, 2015	Ohio EMA - Crown Plaza
32	MGT906-Incident Command System (ICS) TtT (L-449)	May 5 - 8, 2015	Ohio EMA
33	L956 Liaison Officer Course	May 12 – 13, 2015	Cuyahoga County
34	PER-304 Social Media for Natural Disaster Response and Recovery	May 14, 2015	Ohio EMA
35	G-289 Public Information Officer (PIO) Awareness Course	May 15, 2015	Ashtabula County
	G-557 Rapid Needs Assessment Course	June 9, 2015	Ohio EMA
	G361 Flood Fight Operations	June 10-12, 2015	Hamilton County



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