

**OHIO EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN
EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION #1**

TRANSPORTATION

PRIMARY AGENCY: Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)

SUPPORT AGENCIES: Adjutant General's Department, Ohio National Guard (ONG)
Ohio Emergency Management Agency (OEMA)
Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSHP)
Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR)

I. INTRODUCTION

A. Purpose

For transportation-related functions in the State of Ohio during emergencies, ESF-1 addresses:

1. Assessing damage to, restoring, and maintaining land, air and water transportation routes in coordination with governmental and private organizations as required.
2. Transportation of state personnel, materials, goods, and services to incident sites.
3. Supporting evacuation and reentry operations.

II. SITUATION

- A. Hazards that affect Ohio may damage transportation infrastructure, may negatively impact the movement of emergency personnel, and may delay the delivery of vital resources.
- B. Disasters may reduce the availability of local resources and may require the transportation of resources to the affected area(s).
- C. Although most emergency evacuation activities will be conducted by local response organizations, if necessary, State-level resources may be used to assist in evacuation efforts.
- D. Most State-level transportation resources cannot be employed off of the state highway system without a Governor's declaration of emergency.
- E. Disaster responses addressing transportation systems may be difficult to coordinate immediately following an emergency since routes may be blocked by traffic, debris and/or damage.

III. ASSUMPTIONS

- A. Repairs to transportation systems will be prioritized based upon their potential benefit to incident victims and the community(ies).
- B. Even though localized distribution patterns may be disrupted, the repair of access routes will permit a sustained flow of emergency relief.
- C. The requirement for transportation capacity during the immediate lifesaving response phase at the site of the disaster may exceed the availability of state assets.
- D. The State of Ohio will determine when to request federal transportation assistance that would be provided in accordance with the National Response Framework (NRF).

IV. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

A. Overview

- 1. ODOT is the lead agency for ESF-1.
- 2. ODOT liaisons will coordinate with appropriate support organizations to address the transportation-related needs of affected communities, including:
 - a. Damage assessment of transportation infrastructure assets.
 - b. Transportation asset repair activities.
 - c. Technical assistance to local governments.
 - d. Materiel hauling.
 - e. Slips and slides.
 - f. Debris clearance from transportation routes.
 - g. Repairing damage to bridges and culverts.
 - h. Providing rental equipment and materials.
 - i. Interfacing with railroads, airports, port authorities and related transportation providers/facilitators.
 - j. Support of local evacuation activities.
- 3. ESF-1 Primary and Support organizations will be notified through the State of Ohio's Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) when transportation-related emergency assessment, response, and recovery activities are required.

B. Relationships between Levels of Government

- 1. Federal
 - a. Coordination with Federal ESF-1 agencies can occur in the SEOC, at the incident, and/or in the Disaster Field Office (DFO).

- b. Federal ESF-1 agencies will support state assessment, response, and recovery activities and will accept emergency requests and missions from state ESF-1 agencies.
2. State
- a. ESF-1 agencies will maintain a working relationship throughout incident response and recovery operations to ensure that transportation-related needs are identified, assessed, prioritized and addressed.
 - b. ESF-1 agencies will coordinate with ESF-1 agencies from the following adjacent states when required during emergencies: Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky, West Virginia, and Pennsylvania.
3. Local
- a. Local-level requests for State-level transportation resources and services will be directed to ESF-1 Support Agencies through the SEOC.
 - b. Responses to requests for ESF-1 assistance made by local officials to personnel from ESF-1 agencies at the site of the disaster will be coordinated with, and approved by, State-level ESF-1 personnel before action is taken.
4. The Agency Comparison Chart for ESF-1 Organizations, below, provides an overview of the coordination of agencies with transportation-related emergency responsibilities at the state, federal and local levels.

<u>State Organizations</u>	<u>Federal Organizations</u>	<u>Local Organizations</u>
Ohio Department of Transportation	U.S. Department of Transportation	Local/County Engineers and Street Departments
Adjutant General's Department, Ohio National Guard	U.S. Department of Defense	*
Ohio Emergency Management Agency	U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration	*
*	Department of Homeland Security	*
Ohio Department of Natural Resources	Department of the Interior	*
Ohio State Highway Patrol	Department of Justice	*
*	Department of State	*
*	General Services Administration	*
*	U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service	*
Ohio Emergency Management Agency	U.S. Postal Service	Local Post Offices and County EMA Directors

* There is no comparable agency/organization at this level of government.

V. ORGANIZATION AND ASSIGNMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY

A. Organization

1. ESF-1 organizations will be activated through the SEOC for assessment, response, and recovery operations based on the needs of the emergency. Primary and Support Agencies for the state transportation function will coordinate with each other in the SEOC and the DFO to ensure the most effective use of personnel and equipment, to avoid redundant activities and to cooperate on emergency transportation missions.

B. Assignment of Responsibility

1. Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT)
 - a. Serve on damage assessment teams to determine types of damage to and repairs needed for transportation infrastructure.

- b. Coordinate with ESF-1 Support Agencies to develop and prioritize state and federal ESF-1 missions.
 - c. Alert and receive information from affected ODOT Districts and Divisions and provide on-going internal communications and coordination.
 - d. Maintain an accounting of ESF-1 missions and activities for briefing purposes.
 - e. Support the transportation of state emergency personnel and goods and the provision of services to the site of the disaster including the establishment of State Transportation Staging Areas.
 - f. Coordinate with Port Authorities, the Ohio Rail Commission, airports, bus companies and other public and private transportation providers for the dissemination and receipt of emergency information and assistance as requested or needed.
 - g. Give emergency response and recovery operations the highest priority for permit processing and the waiving of permit fees.
 - h. Procure equipment and services from private contractors as needed.
 - i. Coordinate with transportation organizations in affected area(s) to obtain information on the transportation infrastructure and to assist local organizations with emergency repairs to transportation infrastructure.
 - j. Assist Support Agencies with emergency transportation response and recovery activities by providing fuel and maintenance for state vehicles
 - k. Provide reports to state agencies on the status of transportation routes at the incident site.
 - l. Provide aviation support and coordination through the Division of Aviation. (Refer to Tab #1 Aviation Support Plan)
2. Adjutant General's Department, Ohio National Guard (ONG)
- a. When a Governor's Declaration of Emergency has been issued, and as resources are required and available, provide general and unique engineering services such as debris hauling, emergency road repairs, emergency erosion control and demolitions.
 - b. As required and as resources are available, provide air and ground transportation assets.
 - c. As required and as resources are available, provide assistance for the temporary repair of critical transportation infrastructure.

- d. As required and as resources are available, assist in the evacuation of residents and resources from disaster areas.
 - e. As required and as resources are available, support assessment of damage to transportation infrastructure.
3. Ohio Emergency Management Agency (OEMA)
- a. Coordinate with local EMA Directors to ensure State ESF-1 agencies and their personnel are able to work with appropriate local officials and technicians on local mission assignments.
4. Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR)
- a. Coordinate with the U.S. Coast Guard and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for transportation assistance on the Ohio River, Lake Erie, and inland waterways.
 - b. Provide assistance for the removal of debris from transportation routes and from other areas that require emergency access. (Refer to ESF-3 for additional debris management information.)
5. Ohio State Highway Patrol (OSHP)
- a. Provide traffic control, enforcement and related services on state highways and other traffic routes during emergencies.
 - b. Coordinate with ODOT in developing and implementing emergency traffic control measures.
 - c. Provide State-level coordination and support for local law enforcement traffic control efforts during emergencies.
 - d. Assist local authorities in emergency evacuation relocation and reentry operations.
 - e. Support the assessment of damage to transportation infrastructure.

VI. RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS

- A. ESF-1 Agencies maintain agency-level Standard Operating Procedures that address their ESF-1 Assignments of Responsibility.
- B. ESF-1 Agencies maintain Resource Listings that document the equipment, supplies, and services available to and from them during emergencies.

VII. TABS

A. Tab A – Aviation Support Plan

B. Tab B – Ohio Strategic National Stockpile and State Pharmaceutical Cache
Transportation Plan