

EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION 11 FOOD AND WATER

PRIMARY AGENCIES:

American Red Cross
Clallam County Disaster Assistance Council

SUPPORT AGENCIES:

Emergency Management
Sequim City Council

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. Purpose: To provide for the distribution of food to displaced individuals, city residents, or emergency workers in the event of a disaster or long term recovery period.
- B. Scope: This ESF applies to all agencies that perform food and water distribution to the general public.

II. POLICIES

The priority of providing food will be to areas of acute need, then to areas of moderate need.

III. SITUATION

- A. Emergency/Disaster Hazards and Conditions: Several types of hazard conditions could affect the delivery of food and water to the general public. These types of disasters have the potential to deprive substantial number of citizens access to food and/or the means to prepare it. This most likely will be by the disruption of the distribution network and the physical destruction of food and water supplies. These are, but not limited to:
 - 1. Floods
 - 2. Earthquake
 - 3. Severe weather
 - 4. War
- B. Planning Assumptions

1. Citizens will be able to provide for themselves for the first 3 days.
2. There is enough food supplies locally to supply the citizens for at least one week, with rationing.

IV. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

A. General

1. The American Red Cross (ARC), along with the Clallam County Disaster Assistance Council, will develop and maintain a list of food and water resources and shall develop agreements with these resources, as appropriate. This will be maintained in their disaster plan and provided to Emergency Management as necessary.
2. In the event of a situation that would prevent normal deliveries of food to the area, the Sequim City Council may institute a rationing plan, as appropriate.
3. As appropriate, the Sequim City Council may secure food and water resource by purchase of same.
4. In the event potable water is needed, Emergency Management will work with other agencies, such as the local Health Department, State Emergency Management or National Guard to secure emergency water supplies.
5. Emergency Management will work with the American Red Cross and the Clallam County Disaster Assistance Council (CCDAC) in the coordination of the distribution of food and water supplies, as appropriate.

B. Organization

1. The ARC has established a disaster response committee and teams that will follow their internal disaster plan, coordinating activities with Emergency Management.
2. The ARC plan provides for a chain of command that fits into the Incident Command System and has identified liaison positions to coordinate with local government. The ARC representative is the CCDAC Liaison in the EOC. This position will work with Emergency Management at the EOC or other determined coordination location.

- C. Procedures: The existing procedures of the human services organizations for distributing food will be followed and coordinated with the Clallam County Disaster Assistance Council.

D. Mitigation Activities

1. Primary Organizations

- a. Ensure that local disaster kits with first aid supplies and three day potable water supplies and food supplies will be available at locations deemed essential by the organization.
- b. Train staff on the value of educating their families members about the importance of three days or more preparedness.

2. Support Organizations: None

E. Preparedness Activities

1. Clallam County Disaster Assistance Council meetings.

- a. Maintain inventory list of available food inventories.
- b. Develop and maintain contacts with local food distributors and agreements to provide assistance, during a disaster situation.
- c. Develop an inventory of suitable sites for feeding centers.

2. Support Agencies

- a. Develop and maintain procedures for the support for distribution of food and water, including drat policies for rationing.
- b. Develop relationship with primary agency, including a liaison position.

F. Response Activities

1. Primary Organization: Respond to emergency or disaster following organizational guidelines and procedures.
2. Support Agencies: Respond to emergency or disaster following organizational guidelines and procedures

G. Recovery Activities

1. Primary Organizations: Continue to provide food and water for affected area of the populous, working in conjunction with the support agencies.
2. Support Agencies: Coordinate food and water distribution with primary agencies.

V. RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Primary Organization

1. Coordinates food allocations with Emergency Management
2. Identifies locations where food and other rations can be stored.
3. Identifies and list business, such as grocers than have food on hand and business that can be use for storage of food and other goods.
4. Are the emergency food coordinators and:
 - a. Is responsible for determining locations food can be stored.
 - b. Coordinated personnel for the distribution of food to the public.
 - c. Is responsible for the management of the food distribution activities.
 - d. Coordinates food distribution with other community service groups.
 - e. Purchase food stocks, within their fiscal capabilities.

B. Support Organizations

1. Sequim City Council
 - a. Coordinates with Emergency Management as to the needs that should be provided to the public.
 - b. Are responsible for the purchase of emergency food stocks during a disaster, when local Human Services agencies can no longer provide this service.
2. Emergency Management
 - a. Coordinates resource information and needs between agencies
 - b. Provides coordinated information from all involved agencies for reporting purposes.