

ESF 21 RECOVERY AND RESTORATION

PRIMARY AGENCY:

Emergency Management
Recovery Committee

SUPPORT AGENCIES:

The hazard and scope of the disaster will determine the extent of agencies involved, however all agencies may be involved.

I. INTRODUCTION

- A. Purpose: The purpose of this ESF is to establish uniform policies for effective coordination to accomplish recovery and restoration tasks resulting from a natural or technological emergency or disaster.
- B. Scope: Recovery and restoration actions following any emergency or disaster will be determined by the specific event.

II. POLICIES

- A. Emergencies or Disasters
 - 1. Recovery and restoration activities are operational in nature and begin while response operation activities are still underway. For most events, these activities will begin with Emergency Management from the EOC or other location, working to assemble data on the extent of damages. If warranted, the Director of Emergency Management may recommend to the City Council to make a Proclamation of Emergency in order to seek assistance from the Governor's office and the State. This proclamation is the first step to obtain a Presidential Declaration of Disaster (federal assistance), if appropriate.
 - 2. Recovery and restoration activities for local and volunteers agencies will be coordinated through Emergency Management and/or through the Emergency Operations Center (EOC). If a joint state/federal Disaster Field Office (DFO) is established, the coordination of these activities will then come from the DFO.

III. SITUATION

- A. Emergency/Disaster Conditions and Hazards
 - 1. Any major disasters as addressed in the HVA could create a need for recovery and restoration.

B. Planning Assumptions

1. An emergency or disaster has occurred.
2. The situation has caused significant damage so as to require recovery and restoration activities.
3. The city will need to support and act upon the recommendations of the state.

IV. CONCEPTS OF OPERATIONS

A. General

1. Emergency Management will:
 - a. Provide guidance to City Council via the City Manager concerning issues of recovery and restoration.
 - b. Determine the economic and environmental impact.
 - c. Determine the measures for losses necessary to continue recovery.
 - d. Assist in public information activities such as public announcements on recovery and restoration and instructions on applying for assistance programs.
 - e. Provide liaison between the City, County and State or Federal agencies dealing with recovery efforts.
2. Affected Departments/Agencies will:
 - a. Coordinate recovery and restoration efforts with Emergency Management.
 - b. Provide necessary staff to support local recovery and restoration efforts.
 - c. Provide damage and cost assessments, as appropriate.

- B. Organization: In the event of a catastrophic disaster the City Council will be advised by the City Attorney and the Recovery Committee. The Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan identifies the City Manager as chairman of the committee. Emergency Management will also have representation on this committee. In the event of the inability of any of these to participate, recovery and restoration efforts will be accomplished by a majority of those positions that are available to serve.

C. Procedures

1. Recovery and restoration operations begin in the EOC or other incident coordination center. They are based on situation assessments developed as the situation progresses. Emergency Management is normally assigned this task of collecting initial damage assessments and making recommendations regarding the need for a Proclamation of Emergency to the local legislative authority.

2. Recovery and restoration task may include, but not limited to:
 - a. Formation of a damage assessment task force.
 - b. Priority of effort.
 - c. Support requirements.
 - d. Coordination requirements.
 - e. Reporting requirements.

D. Mitigation Activities

1. Primary Agency
 - a. All individuals and agency representatives involved in recovery and restoration activities will be alert for opportunities to lessen the effects of future emergencies or disasters. Suggestions will be forwarded to Emergency Management.
 - b. The Director of Emergency Management, or designee, will forward suggestions to the appropriate local or state agency.
2. Support Agencies
 - a. All individuals and representatives involved in recovery and restoration activities will be alert for opportunities to lessen the effects of future emergencies or disasters.
 - b. Suggestions will be forwarded to Emergency Management.

E. Preparedness Activities

1. Primary Agency
 - a. Prepare recovery and restoration plan.
 - b. Provide an EOC or other location to assist with the needed assessments and other logistical needs for recovery and restoration.
2. Support Agencies: Develop and maintain procedures to recover from the effects of a disaster and to restore agency facilities and operations. An important part of this is a line of succession of departmental leadership.

F. Response Activities

1. Primary Agency: Begins documentation of disaster effects and other needed information for recovery and restoration.
2. Support Agencies
 - a. Respond as stated in departmental guidelines.

- b. Document disaster related events, including cost.
- c. Coordinate with Emergency Management, as requested to ensure recovery and restoration efforts.

G. Recovery Activities

1. Primary Agency

- a. Provides the EOC or other location for the coordination of recovery and restoration information.
- b. Receives recovery and restoration information from all support agencies and reports on the information to the legislative authorities.
- c. Provides liaison with state and federal agencies when dealing with recovery and restoration efforts.

- 2. Support Agencies: Provides information and support resources at the request of Emergency Management.

V. RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Primary agency:

- 1. Emergency Management has the overall responsibility to coordinate the recovery and restoration task following an emergency or disaster.
- 2. Stabilization and Recovery Committee: Responsible to work with Emergency Management to direct recovery and restoration efforts.

- B. Support Agencies: Support Emergency Management in the conduct of recovery and restoration activities.