It is with great humility, passion and emotion that I write my final note as the IDHS Director of Emergency Management. The work that we have completed together and the strides we have made collectively to keep Hoosiers as safe as possible will forever be a point of pride within my career.

Even though I'm departing IDHS, I still will be working alongside you to prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters across the state. Thank you all, and I look forward to working with each of you in the future.

IDHS Director of Emergency Management

New Director of Emergency Management Announced

IDHS has named Mary Moran, a 21-year veteran in emergency management, as the new director of Emergency Management for Indiana.

Mary brings extensive experience in disaster response and recovery. She joined the state team as a program coordinator in mitigation for what was then the State Emergency Management Agency (SEMA) before IDHS was formed in 2005. She has served as the state hazard mitigation officer, mitigation branch chief and most recently as the state recovery officer. Mary has a master’s degree in emergency management from Indiana University.

Grants Training Coming Soon

With the grant application cycles beginning, the IDHS Grants Management team is committed to providing technical assistance to county and local partners. A training series is being planned, focusing on federal grant applications.
May 1 - LEPC exercise proposals due

For other upcoming dates, visit the [IDHS Calendar of Events](#).

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**COVID-19 Vaccine Eligibility**

The Department of Health has announced eligibility for all Indiana residents 16 and over. The [OurShot.in.gov](https://OurShot.in.gov) website continues to be the best source for answers to frequently asked questions.

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**Public Assistance Program**

Due to the long-term nature of the COVID-19 response, the Request for Public Assistance deadline is remaining open. A specific deadline for RPAs will be announced when an end date for this disaster event is established by FEMA.

Continue checking the [IDHS Public Assistance Program webpage](#) for updates on guidance, trainings and other vital information.

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**Available Training**

**CISA Virtual Tabletop Exercises**

This event presents a scenario applicable to the organizations' entire emergency management team, and is designed for organizations interested in raising awareness of the consequences of cyber incidents. Dates available include [April 20-22](#) and [June 15-17](#).
FirstNet Brings Internet to the Woods

Join the FirstNet Emergency Management Webinar Series on April 8 for a webinar focused on how public safety has utilized the FirstNet Network to support wildfire response operations. Learn more and register.

TEEX PRE100 Offerings

The TEEX Active Shooter Exercise Development Exercise Workshop is an Online, train-the-trainer course designed for individuals who may be responsible for developing and delivering active shooter tabletop exercises. Multiple dates are available. Learn more and register.

Locations interested in participating in the VTTX series should submit an email request to participate in the exercise to Carl.Wertman@fema.dhs.gov. Please provide a central point of contact (POC) from your organization to work all VTTX issues.

2021 EMI Virtual Tabletop Schedule Available

EMI conducts a series of VTTXs to provide a virtual forum for disaster training. The VTTX program is designed for a “community-based” group (not individual participation) of at least five or more personnel from state, local, tribal or territorial emergency management organizations with representation from all emergency management disciplines - public safety, public works, public health, health care, government, administrative, communications, military, private sector and non-governmental organizations. Learn more in Training Bulletin 1645.

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