



# EMA ROUNDUP



**SERVICE**  
TO STAFF AND COMMUNITY

**INTEGRITY**  
IN ALL WE DO

**RESPECT**  
FOR ALL PEOPLE

It's not uncommon to hear the phrase "in like a lion, out like a lamb" during the spring season. As emergency management professionals, we all know Indiana's severe spring weather is *never* that simple to predict.

With that being said, I want to remind everyone to remain vigilant and continue maintaining severe weather preparedness in your communities. Although Indiana has made excellent progress in its fight against COVID-19, it's still important to consider how this pandemic can interrupt normal response operations during severe weather.

In what ways can COVID-19 impact your community's severe weather preparedness?

IDHS Director of Emergency Management

April 30, 2021

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## Dates to Know

May 1 - LEPC exercise proposals due

## First Responder Jobs Dashboard

Do you know anyone looking for a job in public safety in Indiana? The newly created dashboard on the IDHS website provides a map of available first responder jobs across the state, including those for emergency management personnel. These jobs are submitted to IDHS and updated on a regular basis.



[View the dashboard](#)

**May 12** - Virtual Integrated Preparedness Planning Workshop (V-IPPW)

**May 14** - [IAEM Region 5 Conference](#)

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](http://ourshot.in.gov) website continues to be the best source for answers to frequently asked questions and scheduling vaccination appointments.

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## Public Assistance Program

The Request for Public Assistance deadline remains open. A specific deadline for RPAs will be announced when a disaster end date for the COVID-19 pandemic is established by FEMA.

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



[Read the April issue of the Hoosier Responder](#) and learn more about Morgan County's



## NIMS Alert Updates

### 12-21

FEMA recently released [Improving Public Messaging for Evacuation and Shelter-in-Place](#), which includes research findings and recommendations emergency managers can use to help their communities understand risks and increase compliance with recommended evacuation or shelter-in-place protective actions.

### 13-21

FEMA released an updated second edition version of the [NIMS Implementation Objectives for Federal Departments and Agencies](#). The updates reflect the feedback provided by community stakeholders in 2020 and ensure the objectives are consistent with the third edition of the National Incident Management System.

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## NWS Hazard Messaging Changes

The National Weather Service is adjusting the Watch, Warning and Advisory system. Partners are invited to attend one of the following webinars to provide feedback on proposed options. Click on a date below to register:

- [May 5](#), 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. EDT
- [May 6](#), 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. EDT
- [May 12](#), 1 - 2:30 p.m. EDT
- [May 19](#), 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. EDT

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## HMEP Reports Now Available

Program and fiscal reports are now available for 2021 Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness (HMEP) recipients.

Recipients can access the reports via [IntelliGrants](#).

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emergency road closure gate program.

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## NTED Blended and Virtual Classes Available

Some trainings [available through NTED](#) are now being offered as blended and virtual class options.

Counties that would like to request any of these trainings should fill out an EMA & Consortium Courses-Course Request Webform in [Acadis](#).



## A Day to Remember: Telling the Stories of Hoosiers During 9/11

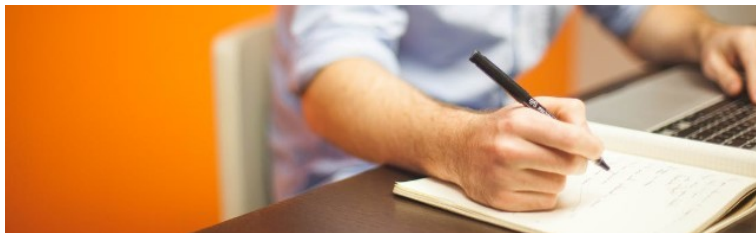
This September marks 20 years since the 9/11 terrorist attacks on the United States. The IDHS Public Affairs staff currently is working on media projects to help tell the stories of Hoosier first responders and emergency management personnel who played an important role during September 2001.

If you have a story to share, please go to [Remembering 9/11](#) and let IDHS know.

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## NCDP Training Opportunities

The National Center for Disaster Preparedness has released two new web-based courses on housing disaster recovery:



## Available Training

### CISA Virtual Tabletop Exercises

This event, held June 15-17, presents a scenario designed for emergency management organizations interested in raising awareness of the consequences of cyber incidents.

Organizations interested in participating should submit an email request to [carl.wertman@fema.dhs.gov](mailto:carl.wertman@fema.dhs.gov).

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### FEMA EMI News Update

The FEMA EMI has three new training opportunities available:

- Exercise Control and Simulation (E0050)
- Local Hazard Mitigation Planning (K0318)
- Master Exercise Practitioner Program (MEPP) Overview/FY22 Application Process (1657)

For more information, visit the [FEMA EMI website](#).

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### NIMS ICS Train the Trainer (TtT)

The following courses currently are open and remain in the upcoming NIMS ICS position-specific TtT classes for FY 2021 at EMI:

- Situation Unit Leader TtT (E0978)
- Finance/Administration Section Chief TtT
- Air Group Supervisor TtT (E0988)

Please refer to the course catalog [here](#) for more information.

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### 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

- [Conducting Impact Assessments \(AWR 370-W\)](#)
- [Post-Disaster Planning for Housing Recovery \(AWR 372-W\)](#)

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## NCBRT/ACE Training Opportunities

The National Center for Biomedical Research and Training/Academy of Counter-Terrorist Education have announced six virtual courses for spring and summer 2021:

- [MGT-324-C: Campus Emergencies Prevention, Response and Recovery](#)
- [AWR-122-C: Law Enforcement Prevention and Deterrence of Terrorist Acts](#)
- [AWR-324: Biological Incidents Awareness: COVID-19](#)
- [AWR-219-C: Site Protection Through Observational Techniques](#)
- [AWR-315: Fundamentals of Criminal Intelligence](#)
- [MGT-323: Instructor Development Workshop](#)

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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## FEMA Hosts Exercise Starter Kit Webinars

FEMA's National Exercise Division has developed exercise starter kits to assist organizations in planning and conducting tabletop exercises aligning with the updated National Exercise Program [2021-2022 Principal's Strategic Priorities](#).

FEMA will host six webinars next month to introduce the new exercise starter kits and provide stakeholders with an overview of how to use them. For more information, visit the [Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program Webinar webpage](#).

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## Virtual All-Hazards Type 3 Communications Unit Leader Course

The Integrated Public Safety Commission will be hosting a virtual All-Hazards Type 3 Communications Unit Leader Course on June 28-July 1. Students must complete ICS 100, 200, 300, 700 and 800 prior to the end of registration on June 4.

Click [here](#) to register for the course.