November is Infrastructure Security Month

Hoosiers rely on critical infrastructure to travel; communicate with friends, family, coworkers and customers; conduct business; handle money; obtain clean, safe food and water; and conduct many more important daily functions. Managing risks to critical infrastructure involves planning and preparing for all hazards, reinforcing the resilience of assets and networks, and staying vigilant and informed.

During Infrastructure Security Month each November, the Indiana Department of Homeland Security (IDHS) joins with partners nationwide to urge you, your family and businesses throughout Indiana to do your part at home, at work and in your community to be vigilant and incorporate safety practices and cybersecurity behaviors into your daily routines. If you see something, say something by reporting suspicious activities to law enforcement.

During times of crisis, check the Indiana Business Emergency Operations Dashboard. It was developed to be an Indiana-centric version of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's NBEOC Operations Dashboard. These tools allow important information to be shared between the private sector and the government in a more steady, interactive format during ongoing emergencies.

Mary Moran, Emergency Management & Preparedness Director
County Cyber Conversations

The Indiana Office of Technology and the IN-ISAC are joining local leaders to discuss HEA 1169 (2021) reporting requirements, the IN.gov Program and prevention methods for a cyberthreat and attack. It's important in today's tech-reliant world to share information with each other before people fall victim to the newest cyberattacks.

The next discussions will be held in Dubois and Perry Counties

Nov. 15, 2022, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Dubois Library, 5506 E Main St., Dubois, IN 47527

Crawford and Orange Counties

Nov. 18, 2022, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Town of Paoli Government Center, 110 N Gospel St., Paoli, IN 47454

Marion County #1

Nov. 28, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Indianapolis Public Library – Pike Branch, 6525 Zionsville Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46268

Marion County #2

Nov. 28, 5 p.m.-7 p.m.

Indianapolis Public Library – West Perry Branch, 6650 S. Harding St., Indianapolis, IN 46217

If you have any questions, contact thollenbeck@iot.in.gov.

NWS Updates

National Weather Service (NWS) Indianapolis Annual Fall Partner Virtual Workshop

- Nov. 9, 2022
- 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

This is the NWS annual virtual meeting where topics are shared such as, items of note, new procedures, any upcoming changes

Join Us!

Please join Anderson University’s Center for Security Studies and Cyber Defense for our first conference.

CONspicacy 2022

Friday, November 11, 2022
8:00 AM—5:00 PM
Flagship Enterprise Center
2705 Enterprise Dr
Anderson, IN 46013

www.csscd.org and click Registration

Seating will be limited to the first 150 participants. Contact the CSSCD at 765-641-4311 with any questions.

Local Government Support

IDEM is conducting “compliance visits” to assist EMAs with preparing a debris removal plan in the event of a natural disaster. There are no consequences for not having one of these plans completed. Technical questions on getting the state to approve landfill sites can be directed toward IDEM. Debris Plan questions can be directed to IDHS.

Planning Updates

Please complete your THIRA/SPR, if you haven’t already. If anyone has questions or needs assistance after attending the online THIRA/SPR training, please contact Joshua Kiilu at jkiilu1@dhs.IN.gov or call (317) 601-4598 as soon as possible. The 2022 THIRA-SPR Assessment Tool and step-by-step instructions have been uploaded to WebEOC.
and/or updates on topics pertinent to you. NWS will share its winter weather and hydrological outlooks for the upcoming winter season as well. This will be a virtual workshop and recorded in case you cannot attend. Pre-registration is required.

**FEMA Updates**

The FEMA National Exercise Division (NED) is accepting Fall 2022 requests for exercise support to the National Exercise Program (NEP). The program offers no-cost assistance to state, local, tribal and territorial jurisdictions for exercise design, development, conduct and evaluation to enhance preparedness across all mission areas in support of FEMA’s Strategic Plan.

Fall 2022 requests for support were due Nov. 1, 2022. Awardees will be notified by Dec. 21, 2022. FEMA will hold additional exercise support rounds in Spring and Fall 2023.

For questions, contact FEMA at NEP@fema.dhs.gov.

**Public Safety Jobs Dashboard**

Check out all the current openings on the [IDHS Public Safety Jobs dashboard](https://www.in.gov/dhs/fire-and-building-safety/public-safety-job-postings/). If your agency is hiring and would like to promote the job, submit your information below the dashboard. It’s free.

**Note:** If the link above does not load, please copy and paste this address into the browser: [https://www.in.gov/dhs/fire-and-building-safety/public-safety-job-postings/](https://www.in.gov/dhs/fire-and-building-safety/public-safety-job-postings/)

**NIMS/CPG 101:** The NIMS and CPG 101 survey is due no later than **Nov. 15, 2022**.

**HIRA – Foundation for THIRA Step 1** – conducted every three years – is due Jan. 30, 2024.

**Exercise**

The IDHS Exercise Section is conducting a civil unrest workshop in December 2022. Participants will be able to hear from local and state partners on civil unrest planning and response. Additional information and the registration link will be available soon. Please contact Elaina Aprea for more information EDerrr@dhs.IN.gov

- Dec. 6, 2022
- 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Virtual via Microsoft Teams

**Response and Recovery Update**

The Indiana Department of Homeland Security has non-contact infrared thermometers and personal protection kits available. Each case of NCITs contains 42 while the PPKs include 24 each.

Supplies are on a first come, first served basis and all requests should be made via IDHS Logistics Section Chief, Melanie Pattenaude (mpattenaude@dhs.in.gov).

**Hazmat Updates**

The LEPC planning module has been completed in Tier II Manager, and the IDHS hazmat section has begun training LEPCs on how to best use it to submit LEPC plans. If you are interested in having your LEPC participate in a training session, please reach out to either Erin Miller (ErMiller@dhs.IN.gov) or Jackie Pulley
The 2022 annual Tier II reporting webinar is scheduled for **Dec. 7 at 1 p.m. EST**. EMAs and LEPCs interested in learning more about how facilities file their Tier II reports are welcome to join. To sign up for the webinar, please fill out the form here: [https://forms.office.com/g/AgRA1nUijL](https://forms.office.com/g/AgRA1nUijL)