

EMA CONFERENCE CALL MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, June 24, 2009 AT 2:00PM

48 counties participated in the EMA conference call:

Adams	Floyd	Lawrence	Shelby
Allen	Gibson	Madison	Spencer
Bartholomew	Grant	Marion	Starke
Boone	Greene	Marshall	Sullivan
City of Anderson	Hamilton	Monroe	Switzerland
Clark	Harrison	Morgan	Tippecanoe
Clay	Henry	Owen	Vanderburgh
Crawford	Howard	Pike	Wabash
Dearborn	Jackson	Posey	Warrick
Dubois	Jay	Putnam	Washington
Elkhart	Johnson	Randolph	Wayne
Fayette	Kosciusko	Rush	Wells

Bridget Davis welcomed everyone to the conference call. During the call, questions should be e-mailed to Rick Archer at: rarcher@dhs.in.gov and they would be addressed later.

Planning Division

Grants Update

- Andrew Zirkle, Grants Management Section Chief, reported that the 2009 Homeland Security Grant award amount is \$11.6M. Across the board all states are about a million less than last year. The funds should be received in about 30-60 days.
- Indiana Homeland Security Foundation, Mary Fields, CTASC/Foundation Coordinator, stated that the Indiana Homeland Security Foundation is scheduled to vote on the 2009 Foundation B grant applications on June 29, 2009. 2009 Foundation C is currently open for applications; it will close on July 31, 2009. Foundation D will open on August 1, 2009. You may contact Mary Fields at: 317-234-6219 or mfields@dhs.in.gov.
- Roger Koelpin, GIS and Critical Infrastructure Section Chief, gave special thanks to the District Financial Agents, Chad Hilton and Mike Bigler for making the EOD and HazMat grants successful. Hopefully everyone is realizing some benefits from the 2006 GIS grants.
- 2007 WebGIS – we have budgets for about 72 counties, websites for 42 and about 20 successful tests so far. Roger has sent e-mail notes stating that IDHS is ready to pay up to those that have tested successfully, and to their vendors when appropriate.
- Side note - If your district is interested in working with Roger to build GIS support for your responses, contact Roger as he would like to learn more about your needs and discuss the possibility of establishing a pool of GIS talent FROM OTHER OFFICES, for you. This will allow your District to be more in tune with response within your district should you need them.
- ACAMS/Critical Infrastructure – the projects and budgets have been updated for the District Financial Agents. The next steps are:
 - Finding participants for the vulnerability assessment teams; talking to HAZMAT, EOD and other disciplines so your potential pool of participants will be ready and waiting
 - Inviting your owner operators of “significant” CI in your districts to join INFRAGARD (<http://www.infragard.net>) so they can get the background checks done.
 - Participants taking the US DHS Protected Critical Infrastructure Information (<https://submitcii.dhs.gov/pcii/PCIIAuthorizedUserTraining>) and Chemical Facility Vulnerability Information (https://csat.dhs.gov/cvi_training/) on-line training. These are both on-line and the District Coordinators have the links. The half-hour training each will result in you getting an electronic certificate. Save those certificates. This will allow Bill Gleason for example to share

information with you, and gets you into the CI training that we will be providing in the coming months.

- Subgrants will be coming soon.

Staffing Update

- David Barrabee, Branch Section Chief, reported that Joe Romero will be filling the position of Emergency Planning Section Chief & Earthquake Program Manager beginning July 6th, 2009.
- Robert Puckett has joined the Planning Section Team.
- Jim Bennett has been named the Director of the newly formed Field Services Division within the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. This new Division will work closely with the ten Districts in Indiana in the formation of District Task Forces and assist the Districts in the development of SOP's that will include Emergency Medical Service functions and CBRNE (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, and Explosive) training and planning integration.

Training Division

- Rick Archer, Central Indiana Team Leader, reported that the recent HSEEP course was well received and the next one will be scheduled the third week of October. More information will be coming soon. There is a possibility of a HSEEP tool kit course to be offered for those who are HSEEP certified. You will be contacted by a taskforce member to talk about TEPW logistics.

Response

- Shane Booker, Director of Operations, reported that webEOC county training continues and 32 counties have already received training.
- A document regarding hurricane response deployment to other states has been sent out. The mutual aid requests would pass through to the district coordinator and the resource requests would go to the county EMA directors to coordinate any local efforts for the state level task force. Please contact IDHS if you need a copy to be sent to you.
- Arvin Copeland, Division Director of the EOC, stated that the JFO center in the Castleton area is closing after 22 months of working with FEMA's great expertise and recovering 340 million to 82 Indiana counties in disaster assistance for six disasters.
- Thanks to everyone for the feedback survey of disaster 1766 from IDHS' local partners and the citizens of Indiana.

Please e-mail Bridget at bdavis@dhs.in.gov with your agenda topics and ideas as soon as possible.

The next EMA Conference call will be held on Wednesday, July 29, 2009 at 2:00P.M. Please remember to call in at 1:55 to avoid dial-in noise.
